Exploring Transfer Options: Las Positas College

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Announcement

- Early Admission Application Deadline: February 28

- To get started visit: http://www.laspositascollege.edu/earlyadmission/applying.php.
Michael’s Background

- Former community college student who transferred to UC Davis using a Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program
- Master’s Degree in Counseling (2000)
- My ninth year at Las Positas College
- As transfer director, I provide leadership for the transfer function of LPC
- As counselor, I and my colleagues are committed to help you successfully meet your educational goals.
Gabriela’s Background

- Attended local community college after High school and transferred to CSUEB, completing my BA in Human Development in 2001.
- Graduated from San Francisco State University with an M.S. in Counseling in 2008.
- 1st year at Las Positas, 5 years at Chabot.
- I enjoy assisting students plan their academic goals, degree options and transfer paths!
Today’s Presentation

Today we will cover the following topics:

- Transfer options at Las Positas College
- Transfer Admission Guarantee programs (University of California)
- Transfer Degrees (California State University)
- Other transfer programs (independent, out-of-state colleges and universities)
Today’s Presentation

Note: A PDF of this presentation will be posted on the LPC Transfer Center Home Page:

http://www.laspositascollege.edu/transfercenter/
What can Las Positas College offer you?

- Certificates (Occupational) – prepare for direct job entry

- Associate Degrees (Occupational and Transfer Prep)

- Transfer Curriculum (General Education and Major Preparation for Bachelor’s degree at 4-years)

Today’s presentation will focus on Transfer
Transfer Programs

- Completion of the equivalent of the first two years of a bachelor's degree (lower division) here, then moving on to a university for the remaining requirements (upper division)

- May or may not include an Associate Degree

- Las Positas College offers courses and services which help you get from point A to point B
Visual: Transfer Preparation at LPC

Transfer
(UC or CSU)
Visual: Transfer Preparation at LPC

- GE
- Electives
- Major Prep
General Education

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- **General Education** defined as broad array of courses required of college graduates

- Las Positas offers General Education patterns for all campuses of both University of California (IGETC pattern) and California State University (CSU-GE pattern)

- Private, independent, out-of-state – each campus has its own GE requirements
Major Preparation
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- Major Preparation defined as first- and second-year courses that serve to prepare students for advanced, upper-division major courses.

- Community colleges have articulation agreements with universities which identify appropriate courses to take for the major.

- DEMO: [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org)
Electives
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- Electives are transferable courses that may be used to meet unit requirements for transfer.

- Many majors, when combined with GE, will meet or exceed the minimum number of transferable units.

- Lists of transferable units to UC and CSU available in Counseling Office and on www.assist.org.
Total Transferable Units (UC and CSU)

60 units

- GE
- Electives
- Major Prep
The Student Education Plan (SEP)

All students are encouraged to complete a comprehensive Student Education Plan (SEP) during your FIRST year at LPC.

Benefits of the comprehensive SEP:
- Plan your path for degree and/or transfer
- Avoid taking unnecessary courses
- Ensure eligibility for certain programs, including Transfer Admission Guarantees
Minimum Required Transfer GPA

- **Minimum** Grade Point Average for upper-division transfer (60 transferable units):
  - University of California (UC): **2.4**
  - California State University (CSU): **2.0**
  - Private, independent, out-of-state: **2.0** and up

- **Important:** Many campuses, and certain majors, have higher GPA requirements for transfer (UC Berkeley, Cal Poly, nursing major, etc.)

- The stronger your academic record, the more options you will have for transfer
Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

- TAG agreements enable students to GUARANTEE transfer admission up to one year in advance, without obligation to attend.

- LPC has TAG agreements with six UC campuses and two private schools:
  - UCD, UCI, UCSB, UCR, UCM, UCSC
  - TAA: Saint Mary’s College; University of the Pacific
  - New! Arizona State University offers a guaranteed transfer program.
UC TAG Eligibility

- 30 transferable units required when requesting the TAG (one year before transfer)
- 60 transferable units required by end of Spring prior to transfer
- Only California Community College students are considered for a TAG
- Specific courses and grades are often required
Additional UC TAG Requirements

- Students may submit a UC TAG to only ONE participating UC campus.

- All students (including TAG students) must apply for admission to UC campus during the priority filing period
  - November 1-30 the year prior to Fall transfer
  - May apply to as many UC campuses as desired through regular admission process

- Early SEP is critical to ensure eligibility
Current TAG GPA Requirements

**Fall 2015 TAGs**

- **UC Riverside**
  3.0 – 3.2 UC Transferable GPA (dependent upon major)

- **UC Merced**
  2.8 – 3.0 UC Transferable GPA (dependent upon major)

- **UC Davis**
  3.2 – 3.3 UC Transferable GPA (dependent upon major)

- **UC Irvine**
  3.4 UC Transferable GPA

- **UC Santa Cruz**
  3.0 UC Transferable GPA

- **UC Santa Barbara**
  3.2 UC Transferable GPA (dependent upon major)

Source: UC TAG Matrix 7/2014. Slide adapted from Shasta College. Information subject to change.
Example – UC Davis TAG (Part 1)

1. **First Year**: Complete 30 UC-transferable units by the end of the summer (SEP recommended);

2. Earn a 3.2 – 3.3 transferable GPA (depends on major and subject to change each year);

3. Complete the online TAG application in September, which includes planned courses for second year, and submit for LPC Counselor review and UC Davis approval;
Example – UC Davis TAG (Part 2)

1. **Second Year**: UCD will notify students of TAG status in November; complete online UC application for admission by November 30.

2. Update UC application in January; complete agreed upon courses with required GPA, and follow any additional instructions;

3. If desired, accept offer of admission to UC Davis!
Transfer Degrees (AA-T and AS-T)

- New degrees that link certain Associate degrees (AA-T and AS-T) with transfer to one of the 23 California State University campuses

- Do not replace existing transfer options but provides an additional path for transfer

- NOT the only option to earn an Associate Degree while preparing to transfer

- Important: Consult with a counselor to determine if the best option for you
Bachelor’s Degree Components

- CCC 60 units
- CSU 60 units
- BA/BS from CSU

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Benefits of the AA-T and AS-T

- Guaranteed admission to a local CSU in non-competitive major OR GPA “boost” for impacted campuses and majors
- Earn an Associate Degree
- Prescribed set of major courses that transfer to multiple CSU campuses
- After transfer: 60 units required to get earn BA or BS (guaranteed not to exceed this number)
- Meet lower division major prep at the CSU campuses that offer a similar major

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This kind of Associate Degree is most beneficial for students who are:

- Committed to a major early in their academic careers
- Committed to CSU transfer (may not work for UC)
- Seeking an Associate Degree while preparing for transfer
- Preparing for impacted CSU majors or campuses
- Attending a college that does not have major preparation for their intended CSU campus
To earn the AA-T/AS-T degree, students must meet the following requirements:

Components of AA-T / AS-T

IGETC or CSUGE + Major Prep courses = 60 units

Note: Completing courses that satisfy CSU's U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals requirement prior to transfer is recommended but not required.

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Transfer Degree Guarantee

- Guaranteed acceptance to the following CSU campuses (transfer from Las Positas; similar, non-impacted majors only):
  - CSU East Bay, San Francisco State, Bakersfield, Channel Islands, Dominguez Hills, Humboldt, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Stanislaus, Maritime Academy

- GPA Boost of 0.1 to 0.2 for impacted campuses / majors
AA-T & AS-T Degrees at Las Positas College

- Early Childhood Education
- Geology
- Geography
- Mathematics
- Psychology
- Sociology

- Philosophy
- English
- Theater Arts*
- Studio Art*
- Kinesiology*
- Business*
- Mass Communication*

*Anticipated during 2015-2016 academic year

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What if there is no AA-T / AS-T for my major?

- Prepare for transfer utilizing major preparation articulation via ASSIST.ORG

- Note: Majors being added regularly. Check in with your counselor each semester
Private / Independent College Transfer Guarantee

- Private and independent colleges and universities each have their own unique admission requirements.
- Often, transfer is possible after one year of full-time study at a community college.
- Las Positas College offers two guaranteed transfer programs with independent schools (University of the Pacific; Saint Mary’s College).
Guaranteed Transfer: Saint Mary’s College

Requirements:

- Complete 23 transferable units with a minimum 2.6 GPA at time of transfer

- Earn a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA in major courses

- Completion of one year of high school algebra and one year of high school geometry (or the college equivalent) with grades of "C" or higher
New Transfer Guarantee with Arizona State University

- Las Positas has its first out-of-state Transfer Agreement!

- [https://transfer.asu.edu/CAguarantee](https://transfer.asu.edu/CAguarantee)

- Arizona State University will guarantee transfer for students up to two years in advance who have a high school diploma or GED, plus will complete one of the following:
ASU Transfer Guarantee (cont.)

- 24 college-level (non-remedial) transferable units with a 3.00 or higher cumulative transfer GPA (4.00 = “A”); OR
- an Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), or California State University General Education (CSU GE) with a minimum 2.50 cumulative transfer GPA (4.00 = “A”); OR
- an associate degree with a 2.50 or higher GPA.
Las Positas College transfer students, as a group, perform as well or better than students who started at the university.

- University GPA
- Persistence rates (not dropping out)
- Graduation rates
Before you go…

Please complete an evaluation form. Thank you!
THANK YOU for considering Las Positas College as a potential pathway to meet your educational goals!

QUESTIONS?
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