
The Ten Commandments of Transfer

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#1 Thou Shall Observe Minimum Admission Requirements

❖ CSU

- 60 CSU Transferable Semester Units and the Golden 4, 2.0 and 30 units of General Education Courses

❖ UC

- 60 UC Transferable Semester Units and the Silver 7, 2.4 (2.8 for International and Out-of-state)

❖ Privates/Out-of-state

- All over the map!!! But sometimes that's a problem!



#2 Thou Shall Identify a Major

- ❖ Students should identify a major and schools they want to transfer to
- ❖ Students should make sure that they are able to transfer to that specific major at schools they are interested in
 - Eg. UCLA does not have Business Administration



#3 Thou Shall Prepare for Said Major

- ❖ Completing major prep prior to transfer = decreased time to degree
- ❖ Completing major prep courses sooner rather than later = increase admission chances
- ❖ How to deal with lack of articulation
- ❖ Private & out of state articulation



#4 Thou Shall Complete General Education- Yay or Nay?

- ❖ Is the Math and English that is needed to graduate, supported with development courses to support completion?
- ❖ When should students complete GE?
 - Time to degree is shortened if completed
 - Eg. UC Berkeley: College of Letters and Science → IGETC completion or Essential Skills
- ❖ When is it okay not to complete GE?
 - For some majors, completing major preparation is more important
 - CSU/UC Engineering majors
- ❖ Private/Out of State Universities that accept CSU GE/IGETC



#5 Thou Shall be a Full Time Student?

- ❖ To be or not to be...
- ❖ Let's talk units....

Part-Time BEFORE Transfer?

YES	NO
CCC	Private Universities- Varies by Campus
CSU	Out of State Universities- Varies by Campus
UC	

Part-Time AFTER Transfer?

YES	NO
CSU	UC
	Private Universities- Varies by Campus
	Out of State Universities- Varies by Campus



#6 Thou Shall Be Aware Of Units That Transfer- Minimums & Maximums

- ❖ For UC and CSU, 60 transferable semester units is the minimum for transfer admission
- ❖ For UC, 70 transferable units is the maximum a student can bring in
 - Lower division Limit
 - Transfer students with previous UC attendance
- ❖ For Private and out of state institutions, minimum/maximum number of units will vary



#7 Thou Shall Only Transfer If Thou Applies (Common Transfer App)

- ❖ Everyone can apply for Fall!! (The Harvard Story)
- ❖ Different Deadlines for Different Majors
- ❖ Don't mix up Supplemental Applications for the admission applications!
- ❖ Apply in Spring....if accepting and if the particular major is available!
- ❖ If accepting for Spring, when do the minimum requirements need to be done?



#8 Thou Shall Use Acronyms and Define Them!

❖ **WUE, TAG, & ADT Oh My!**

- WUE- Western Undergraduate Exchange
- TAG- Transfer Admission Guarantee
- ADT- Associate Degree Transfer

❖ **Other Notable Programs:**

- Columbia School of General Studies
- Yale Eli Whitney Program
- Smith College -Ada Comstock Scholars
- HBCU Transfer Agreement



#9 Thou Shall Write A Good Essay.

- ❖ Depending on the institution, essay may be used for admission and/or scholarships
- ❖ CSU doesn't have an admission essay
- ❖ UC requires short answer responses to Personal Insight Questions
- ❖ Privates/Out of State institutions may be part of the Common Application
 - Students may have to complete Common Application essays and potentially supplemental application essays



#10

Thou shall not be complacent.



Questions?

