Fall 2023: Transfer Equivalencies

Dear Chairs,

This email contains the following information about Transfer Equivalencies and Student Transfer Evaluations:

1. An update on pausing establishing Transfer Credit Equivalencies to accommodate the RamPortal/Banner Implementation.
2. Information on how we can support student transfer evaluations during this transition period.

First, a big THANK YOU, to all the chairs who reviewed and approved transfer credit equivalencies in August as we started the academic year. Thanks to your review and the work of the Registrar Transfer Team, we were able to build over 500 new transfer equivalencies. This effort is such a great way to support our students towards degree completion and ease the transfer credit process.

Pausing Transfer Credit Equivalencies:

- To support the transition from myWCU to RamPortal, for the remainder of the 2023-24 academic year, we will temporarily stop the building of new transfer credit equivalencies. This pause is necessary as we move our equivalency database from myWCU to RamPortal, and rebuild the process by which chairs denote equivalency decisions in OnBase.

  Any equivalencies departments request during this time will be queued for building when the process resumes.

- The Transfer Credit Center our centralized listing of transfer equivalencies, will remain in place on the web, however, we will not be adding to that listing of equivalencies during this transition time.

What does this mean for students?

- Entering students will still receive a Student Transfer Credit Summary, and their evaluations will be based on existing transfer credit equivalency rules.
- Students still submit a Transfer Credit Appeal, and we will make changes directly to the student record based on approvals.
- There is no change to WCU accepting or posting transfer credit for our students at this time.
- Students will continue to receive notification of their review of transfer credit.

What does this mean for you?

- Chairs will not receive any new Course Equivalency Forms from OnBase to review direct transfer credit equivalencies rules.
- Chairs will still receive Transfer Credit Appeals; however, we will not be actively building new rules based on those appeals. We will track the appeals and build the rules once we are able to based on the implementation timeline.
- Chairs will continue to receive notifications of transfer credit evaluations indicating how students’ previous work will be accepted at WCU.
We look forward to partnering with you and your academic departments in this important transfer equivalency work in the coming year. We will certainly keep you informed of timing and re-establishing our equivalency building in RamPortal.