



**TRANSFER STUDENT SERVICES**  
DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

A photograph of a campus walkway at night. The path is paved with brick and concrete, lined with large trees and string lights. Benches are visible on the left side of the path. The scene is illuminated by warm lights, creating a serene atmosphere.

Supporting,  
Preparing, and  
Empowering,  
Academic Resilience

# Transfer Student Services



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**Let's get started!**



# THRIVE25

## 3 Prong Approach:

- IDS 3003: Transfer Connections & Success Course
- Coaching
- Mentoring

**Goal:** Provide the resources and supports Transfer Students need to graduate and be successful in their future endeavors, while further promoting leadership skills and professional development opportunities for experienced transfer students.

# IDS 3003: Transfer Connections & Success

*Provide the Information you NEED*



- **Logistics:** Peer-Led, 0-1 Credit Hour, Small Discussion Style Course
- **Objective:** Get students acquainted with the University, make connections with peers, and provide tools to help them be successful.
- **Format:** Various lessons on tools and skills such as Time Management, Communicating Professionally, and Well-Being combined with outings to experience campus resources, and ample opportunity to build connections.

# IDS 3003 Growth and Potential

Semester	# of Sections	# of Students	# of Peer Leaders
Fall 2023	6	111	5
Fall 2024	28	431	23
Fall 2025 Goal	40	760	30

- Over the past year, we have seen tremendous growth allowing us to hire more peer leaders, and a full-time program coordinator, and expand our offerings to serve more students.
- We hope to continue to expand our capacity next year and beyond to make IDS 3003 a mandatory course for all incoming Transfer Students.

# Coaching

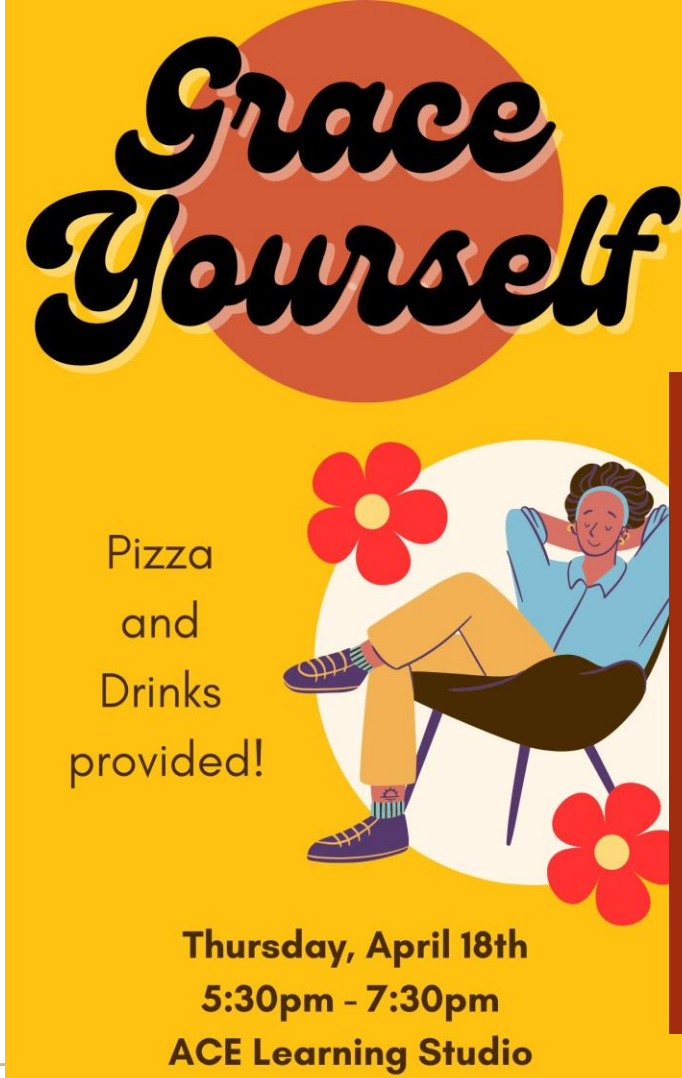
*Reduces the “Noise”*

- 30-minute meetings, bi-weekly
- Safe, 1-on-1 space to meet with a TSS staff member to check-in regularly and discuss transition challenges, celebrate wins, resource orientation, navigate university processes and develop plans of action for change.
- Tackling Transfer Shock and Imposter Syndrome



# We our GAs!

- 6 Graduate Assistants (increase from 2 in 23-24)
- Coaches develop Micro-events (events with less than 30 students) to engage students in a small group environment
- Solution Focused Approach
- Diversity of disciplines for coaches



**Grace Yourself**

Pizza and Drinks provided!

Thursday, April 18th  
5:30pm - 7:30pm  
ACE Learning Studio

The poster features a woman in a blue shirt and orange pants sitting in a chair, surrounded by large red flowers. The background is yellow with a large orange circle behind the title.

## Microevent **FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS**

Thursday | 22nd | 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM



- Semester goal setting!
- Stress management
- Fun activities!

### Transfer Student Services Micro Event

## MINDFULNESS

MEET PEER STUDENTS & RELEASE YOUR STRESS

DATE  
2/8 (Thu)

LOCATION  
William Johnston  
Room G061

TIME  
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM



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# Transfer Community Mentors

*Normalizing the Experience*



- Connecting new transfer students with an experienced transfer student
- Intentional matching: Major, college, interests, goals
- Required to meet at least once a month for at least 30 minutes
- Navigate challenges and get connected to other spaces on campus
- Nearly 200 volunteer mentors! Who are matched with at most 3 mentees.
- Capacity only limited only by the number of volunteers and interested students.

# Transfer Advocacy Network



- Over 150 academic advisors working to share our programs. Annual Transfer Success Clinic and Advisor Tour.
- Academic Center for Excellence, Innovation Hub, Libraries, Student Government, and more. Built a network of resources for our team and our students.
- Work with Orientation team to both enhance the Orientation experience for transfer student and promote THRIVE25.

# Summary

We are enhancing the transfer student experience through our THRIVE25 program by:

- Providing the Information They NEED
- Reducing the "Noise"
- Normalizing the Experience

We are more than JUST the welcome wagon; these programs provide continual support for our transfer students from enrollment through graduation.

**Goal-** Require all new transfer students to engage with at least one of the three prongs, mainly the IDS 3003 course.



**Let's try again!**  
with a little bit of help from Transfer Student  
Services

## Contact Us!

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