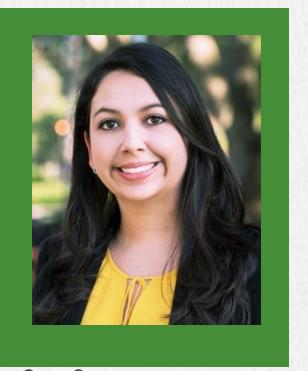
# TRANSFER 101:

ENHACING SUCCESS WITH AN INNOVATIVE ONLINE ONBOARDING MODULE



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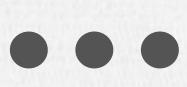
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Write well & Edit often

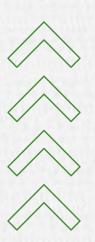


### THE GOAL

- Enhancing the Transfer Student
   Onboarding Experience
- Supporting Transfer Student Success and Outcomes







### Transfer Student Journey

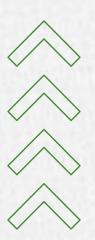
### New Hatter Advising

- Transfer credit evaluation by Registrar's Office
- Preliminary schedule built by advising team
- Meeting with summer advisor

### Academic Department Support

- Referral to department chair for in-depth support
- Assigned faculty advisor in major

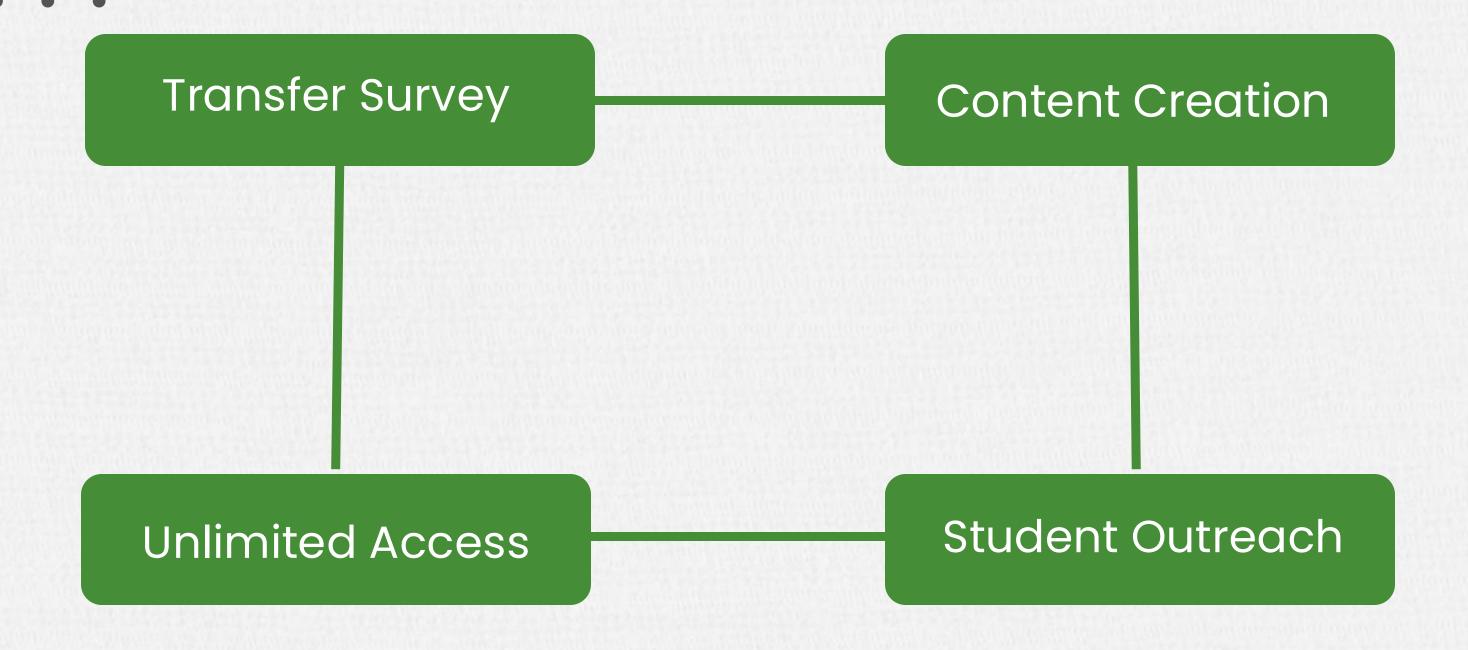




# Advising as Teaching

- How to find/create the logic of one's education;
- How to view the seemingly disconnected pieces of curriculum as parts of a whole that makes sense to the learner
- How to base educational choices on a developing sense of the overall edifice being self-built;
- How to continually enhance learning experiences by relating them to knowledge that has been previously learned. (Lowenstein 2005, p. 72)

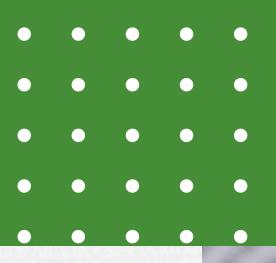
# Creating Transfer 101





# TRANSFER LAB CONTENT

- Student Spaces & Getting Involved
- Requirements Unique to Stetson
- Support Resources
- How to Use MyStetson Platform
- Who Should I Call?
- Professionalism





### **Content Preview**

# Studies Spaces

Stetson University has a number of fantastic spaces available for our residential and commuting students to study, socialize, and pass time between classes. Take a look at just a few of the best spots here on campus!







Hollis Family Student Success Center duPont-Ball Library, 2nd Floor







Lee's Garage & Study Space
 Carlton Union Building, 2nd Floor

### OFFICE & DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

These are some of the offices and departments that students interact with most frequently. Here, you will find contact information, descriptions of each office, and sample questions that these offices can answer.

#### OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

Phone: 386-822-7140 | Email: registrar@stetson.edu



This office is responsible for providing information about registration, academic records, and degrees. Sample questions the Registrar can answer:

- "If I took this course at ABC University, what course will that count for at Stetson?"
- "Has Stetson received my transcripts from my other school?"
- "Can you double-check that this course is appearing correctly on my degree audit?"

#### **ACADEMIC SUCCESS**



Phone: 386-822-7345 | Email: academic.advising@stetson.edu

This department is home to Academic Advising, Success Coaching, tutoring, and Stetson Peer Instruction (SPI). Sample questions Academic Success can answer:

- "Can you help me plan my courses for next semester?"
- . "How can I get help for a class I'm struggling with?"

#### STUDENT FINANCIAL PLANNING



Phone: 386-822-7120 | Email: finaid@stetson.edu

This office helps with all things financial aid: scholarships, loans, tuition payment plans, etc. Sample questions this office can answer:

- "How is my loan impacted by my transfer?"
- "What scholarships am I eligible for?"
- "Can I set up a monthly payment plan for my tuition bills?"

#### Professionalism Online: Your Virtual Identity

In the day and age of technology, your first impression on future professors, schools, and employers is often created through virtual interaction. Make sure it's a good one with these tips, suggestions, and templates.



#### **Email Etiquette**

You'll frequently interact with your professors via email, so it's important to keep all email interactions as professional as possible. Here are some suggestions to improve the professionalism of your email communications:

Use an email signature

Having an email signature can help your peers, professors, and others remember who you are and how to contact you in the future.

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Use appropriate honorifics

Don't call professors by their first name unless they have specifically asked you to do so. Use Dr., Ms., Mr., etc. as appropriate. If you're not sure which one to use, "Professor" is acceptable.

Hello, Dr. Sample,

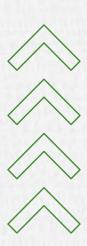
Avoid slang and casual talk

Keep it professional - don't use acronyms, text slang, or casual greetings like "what's up?"

# Engagement

- Launched in Fall 2022
- New students loaded in both fall and spring semesters
- 78% engagement
- Permanent access to Canvas module





# WHERE ARE THEY TRANSFERING IN FROM?

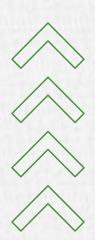
- In state, out of state, and international institutions
- Public 2-year and public 4-year institutions
- Institutions with articulation agreements



# Transfer Support

- Services offered afterhours and on weekends
- Targeted student outreach
- Case management
- Transfer advising course plans





# Transfer Students at a Glance

- 1. 115 incoming transfer students on average (157 this semester!)
- 2. 48 credits transferred in on average
- 3. 3.35 average GPA after transferring in
- 4. 80.4% Retention Rate (fall to fall enrollment) 5.4 percentage points up over last year's rate





# THANK YOU!

## Questions?

academicsuccess@stetson.edu

https://www.stetson.edu/administration/academic-success/



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