



**2015 COTA Transfer and Articulation Conference:**  
**“DOT...DOT...DOT and Transfer”**

February 13, 2015  
Capitol Plaza Hotel  
Jefferson City, Missouri

**8:30** Registration and Continental Breakfast (Hotel Lobby)

**9:00 Welcome**

Seth Carruthers, Chair COTA  
Dr. David Russell, Commissioner, MDHE

**Missouri Capitol Ballroom**

**9:30- 10:40 Session One Breakouts**

**Optimizing Reverse Transfer: Lessons for Missouri from other CWID States**  
**Truman B/C**

Presenter: Dr. Debra Bragg, Director, Office of Community College Research and Leadership  
Moderator: Angelette Prichett, Research Associate, Academic Affairs, MDHE

This session will share results of cross-state research on the adoption of reverse transfer policies and practices in 12 states that were selected to begin Credit When It's Due (CWID) in 2012. The session will present state, system, and institutional policies and practices that appear most likely to efficiently and effectively reach the largest number of potentially eligible students and confer the largest number of degrees. The presentation will include examples of how the various states have addressed student identification, consent, transcript exchange, degree audit, and degree conferral and advising. Participants will be encouraged to ask questions about other states' efforts and share how these processes are working on their campuses. This interactive session will culminate in having participants to establish clear goals and feasible action steps to advance reverse transfer in their institutions.

**Transfer 101....and Transfer**

**Truman A**

Presenter: Dixie Williams, Assistant Director of Admissions, Missouri State University  
Moderator: Gavin O'Connor, Special Assistant to the Provost, Ozarks Technical Community College

Transfer 101 is a workshop designed to take a higher education professional from the simplest steps of transfer student recruitment to more complex procedures & policies

related to transfer student success on your campuses. Through this presentation and dialog we will help attendees identify transfer students' needs, communication plans, recruitment ideas, enrollment data use, transfer policies and transfer student retention initiatives. There will be something for everyone who has worked or will ever work with a transfer student.

### **Financial Aid ... and Transfer Students**

**Jefferson B/C**

Presenters: Justin Chase Brown, Associate Director of Student Financial Aid  
University of Missouri

Matthew L. Kearney, Senior Assistant Director of Student Financial Aid  
University of Missouri

Dena Norris, Director of Student Financial Services  
Metropolitan Community College Kansas City

*Moderator: Kim Harvey, Senior Director of Enrollment Management/Registrar, Jefferson College*

Do you know what happens to a student when they leave your institution to attend somewhere else? What opportunities do students have if they transfer to my school? This session is intended to help answer those questions and provide an insight to the financial struggles faced by students who transfer. Topics to be discussed will range from SAP, to scholarship opportunities, to so much more. Join us to learn how to prepare students who decide to transfer from one institution to another

**10:40- 10:50**

**Break**

**10:55- 12:00**

**Session Two Breakouts**

### **International Students...and Transfer**

**Truman B/C**

Presenters: Jessica Hylton, International Academic Advisor, Fontbonne University

Seth Carruthers, Assistant Registrar, Fontbonne University

*Moderator: Jenna Grush, Assistant Director of Admission, Fontbonne University*

International students bring many benefits to our US campuses. But dealing with the intricacies of immigration status, previous college credit, and communication bring challenges to many higher education professionals. Fontbonne University Office of International Affairs is a student-centered office dealing with enrollment management; international academic agreements; international university relationships; academic advising; federal immigration advising/compliance; international student support services and activities. This presentation will review the various types of international students that Fontbonne serves and the variety of ways that transfer and graduate students are able to achieve academic success.

### **Serve... and Transfer: Managing Military Training & Experience and Transfer Credit**

**Truman A**

Presenters: Tracy R. Carpenter Bond, District Coordinator, Veterans Affairs  
St. Louis Community College

James Craig, Professor/Department Chair, Military & Veterans Studies,  
University of Missouri – St. Louis

*Moderator: Amy Werner, Research Associate, Academic Affairs, MDHE*



**Developmental Education...and Transfer: HB1042 Implementation Strategies**

**Truman A**

Presenter: Jennifer Plemons, Research Associate, Academic Affairs, MDHE  
Moderator: Greta Westerwald, Program Specialist, Academic Affairs, MDHE

Missouri HB1042, passed in August 2012, included language requiring all public higher education institutions in the state to replicate best practices in remedial education. This session will provide attendees the opportunity to catch up on state-level implementation efforts to date regarding remedial education and what these and future efforts may mean for Missouri public institutions.

**Reverse Transfer on a National Scale: Where do we stand?**

**Jefferson B/C**

Presenters: Brenda Selman, University Registrar and UM System Rep., University of Missouri  
David Pelham, Vice President, Higher Education Development and Client Relations,  
National Student Clearing House  
Moderator: Amy Werner, Research Associate, Academic Affairs, MDHE

The National Student Clearinghouse, at the request of registrars, has developed a three-phase plan to make reverse transfer across the nation a reality. This session will provide an update on the status of the first phase. Missouri is one of the pilot participants for phase one and significant progress has been made. Come to this session to learn how your institution will have an opportunity to be part of this new and cutting edge project.

**STEM...and Transfer: Solving the Problem**

**Jefferson A**

Presenters: Barbara Kramer, Professor of Chemistry, Truman State University  
Tim Walston, Associate Professor of Biology, Truman State University  
Moderator: Michael Olsen, Assistant Director of Admissions, University of Central Missouri

While the Associate of Arts degree provides a broad educational foundation, it is weak on courses in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) disciplines. In addition, introductory and mid-level core STEM courses offered by the community colleges often fail to fulfill the degree requirements at the four-year institutions. Students transferring from community colleges into STEM majors at undergraduate institutions often find themselves behind their peers and needing at least a fifth year to graduate. This session will increase awareness of this problem and facilitate a discussion on possible solutions.

**2:45- 3:00 Closing Remarks, Conference Evaluation Collection  
and Attendance Prizes**

**MO/CAP Ballroom**