

Transfer Pathways
Summit —
Transfer Tools
University of Utah

Registrar's Office



# Today's Agenda

- Transfer Articulation Basics
- Updates to the TA evaluation process on our campus
  - Phase I & 2
- TES
- TransferologyLab
- Future Transfer Articulation Developments
- Additional Resources
- Questions



# Acceptable, Applicable, and Articulated Transfer Credits

What is the difference between these three terms?

### Acceptable

- Course was taken at a Regionally Accredited institution for credit
- Admissions Office will continue to determine transfer course acceptability
- Once a course is found 'acceptable' it is categorized either as general credit or a direct articulation

### **Applicable**

- Course may apply within the degree audit (University, General Education, Bachelor Degree and possibly dept requirements)
- Course will NOT be recognized for pre-requisite checking nor in duplicate course processing
- Course Substitute

### **Articulated**

- Transfer Courses that are equivalent to a UofU course
- Recognized in degree audit requirements (when minimum grades are met), in prerequisite checking, and duplicate course processing
- Course Equivalent

# Framework for Establishing Transfer Articulation Rules

National Best Practices (AACRAO)

Utah State Board of Regents; R470 Policies and Procedures University of Utah Institutional Policy





### AACRAO -

American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

National Best Practices

- Quarter to semester conversion (times by 2/3, 5 qtr hrs = 3.33 sem hrs)
- Accept all D- or better grades
   (acceptable ≠ applicable ≠ articulated)
- Lower to upper division course articulation
- It is recommended to use a guideline of 70 – 80% matching content to determine equivalency – based on the discipline, accreditation, etc.
- Consider: Is the student prepared academically to move on within the discipline?



# Utah State Board of Regents

R470, Policies and Procedures

- USHE: Utah System of Higher Education (all public institutions)
- All USHE courses bearing credit are acceptable
- Must recognize transcripted
   Requirement Designations from USHE institutions
- Common Course numbering
- Yearly Major Meetings R470-6.1
- Non-USHE: Non transferability of credit – religion courses or those not similar in nature



# University of Utah

Institutional Transfer Articulation Policies

- Timelines for Review
  - USHE I year
  - o non-USHE 5 years
- Transfer courses must be from Regionally accredited institutions and receive credit
- Evaluations will only be sent for new courses or courses with changes



# The Updated Transfer Articulation Process – Visually Speaking





# Benefits of the Updated Process



Productivity

Shorter turnaround, more timely requests and responses, department reviews once



User Experience

User friendly tools, more accessible and more information, anticipate technology will decrease time spent



Accuracy

Transfer Articulation
rules will inform
Transfer Pathways
(eventually), more
guidance on best
practices, less possibility
for human error



Tracking

Ability to reach out to departments with outstanding evaluations, more insight related to dept turnover, retain history of approvals



Changes to Courses

New courses sent upon identification, only send new or changed courses, Registrar's Office does the 'heavy lifting'



# A Phased Approach

### Phase I

- Use TES to send/receive departmental course evaluations (Summer 2019)
- All USHE institutions including BYU, LDSBC, Westminster, and BYU-I (review every year)
- Transfer Articulation decisions will be saved in TES and entered into the degree audit system
- Promote Transferology on campus and at partner institutions
- Evaluate our own exceptions to determine possible transfer articulations

#### o Phase 2

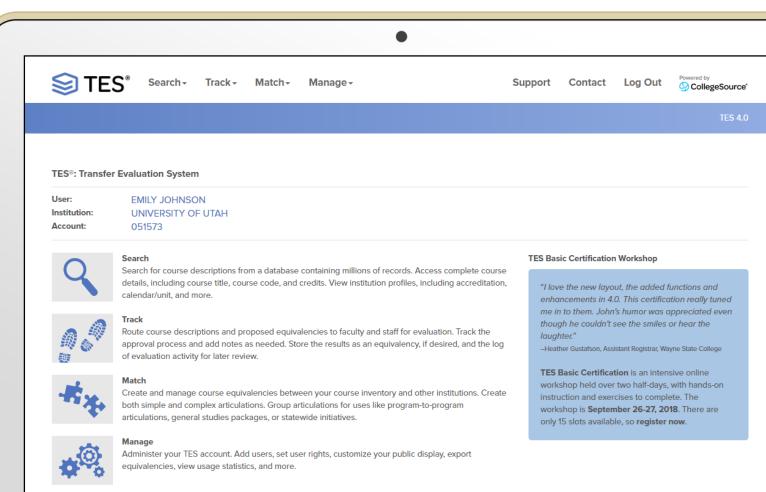
- Expand TES usage to non-USHE institutions for our transfer populations (review every 5 years)
  - Evaluate high feeder institutions
  - Investigate Learning Abroad programs
- Refer incoming new non-evaluated transfer courses to departments for immediate evaluation
- Create Transfer Articulation pathways documents (2+2 guides) using TES
- Allow advisors to request a course evaluation in TES via Transferology



## Transfer Evaluation System (TES)

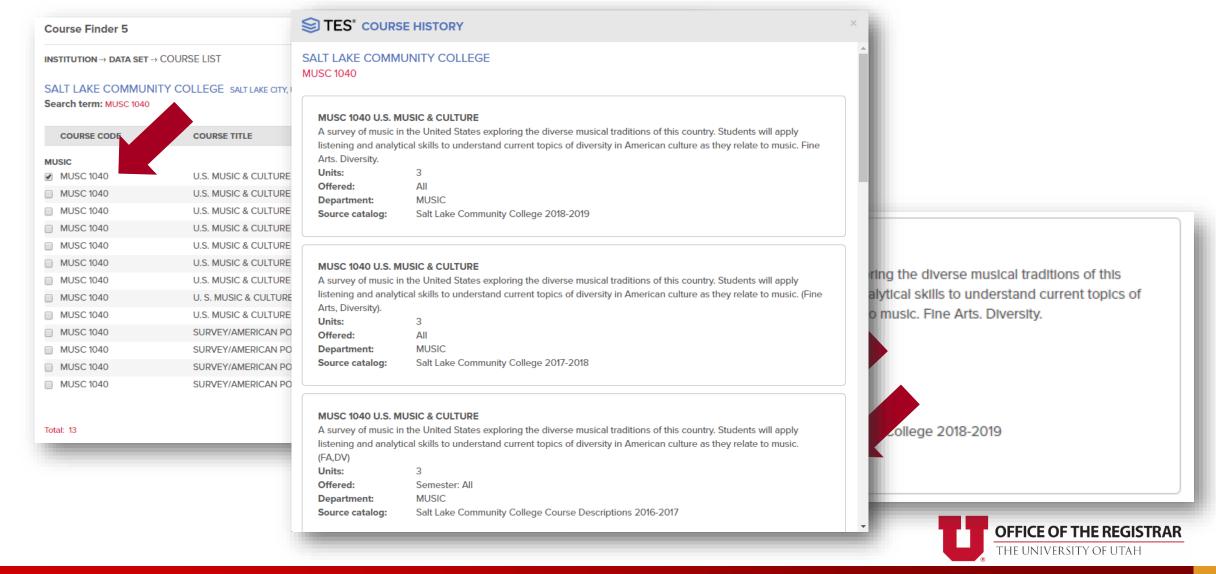
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- Evaluation Tracker: Used to send/receive department decisions on articulations – logs actions



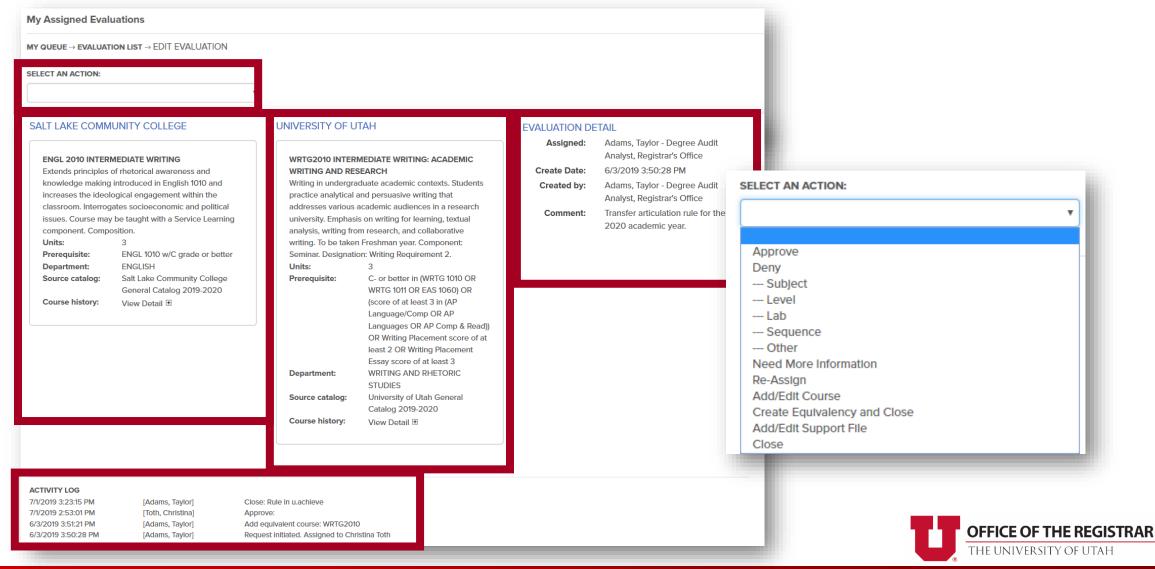
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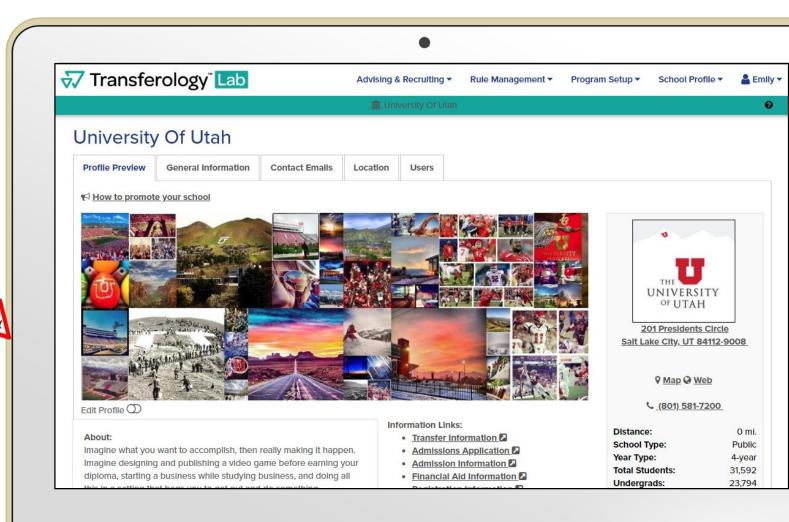
# Transferology & the "Lab"

### Students and Advisors may see:

- If courses are acceptable at the University of Utah
- How transfer courses articulate to UofU courses
- Where courses apply to University degree requirements via our own degree audit system (presently only non-emphasis programs)

### We anticipate additional functionality to:

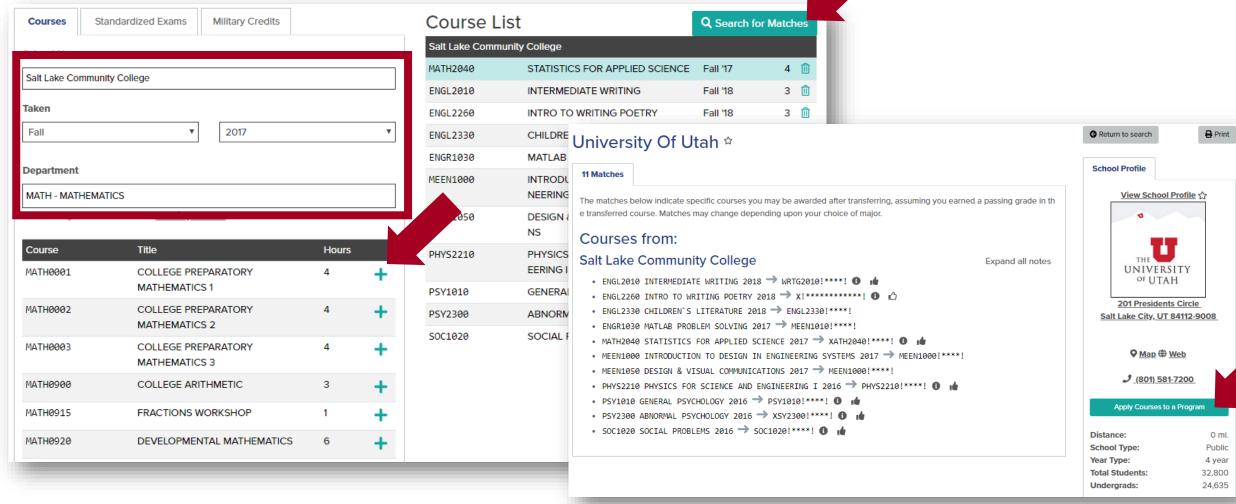
- Send a request for transfer course evaluation to TES (Advisors ONLY)
- Publish Transfer Pathways to guide students in planning for transfer to the U (eventually)



# Transferology (Student View)

Students add courses, standardized exams, or military credit then Search

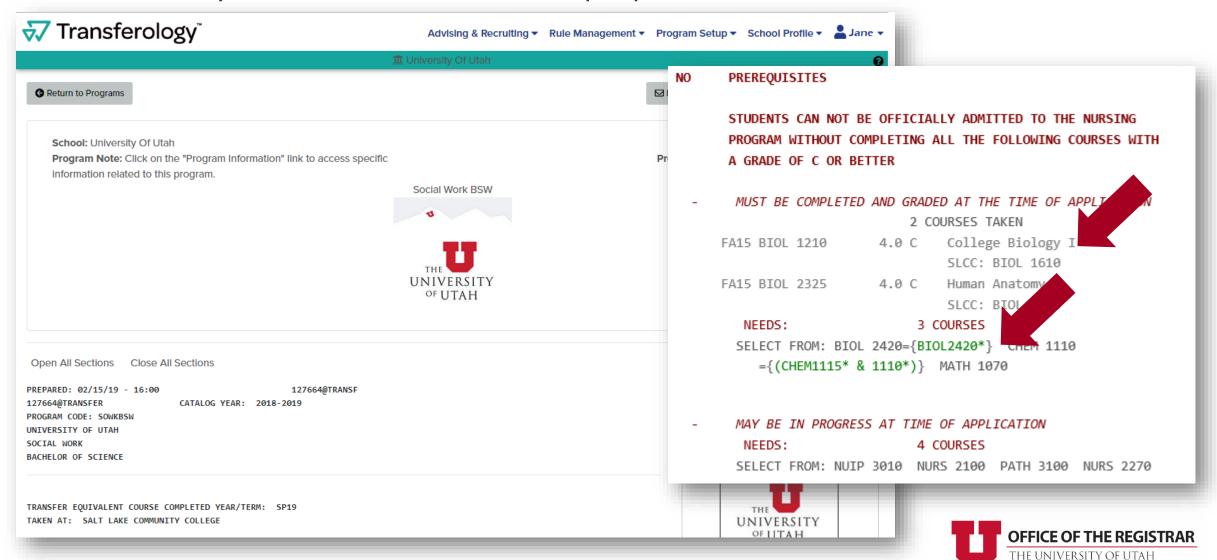
Matches





# Transferology – Apply Courses to a Program (Run an Audit)

Actual University of Utah audit is returned to the prospective student



### Statistics for 2019-2020 Evaluation Tasks

Began sending course evaluation tasks to TA coordinators on June 4, 2019

Institution	# of Evals sent	# of Evals returned (as of Aug Ist)	% completed
Dixie State University	1331	186	13.97%
Salt Lake Community College	1177	621	52.76%
Utah Valley University	2544	572	22.48%
Weber State University	2448	1084	44.28%
Westminster College	847	219	25.85%

- Our published deadline for completing evaluations was August 1, 2019
  - Departments requested a turnaround time of 2 weeks
- We will be sending evaluations for BYU, LDSBC, Snow, SUU, and USU in the coming weeks

# Beginning Fall 2019

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### Need Additional Assistance?

- Open Lab hours throughout Fall Semester
  - Send a request to reserve your spot
  - We will publish a schedule shortly
- Website is available https://registrar.utah.edu/transferarticulation
  - Common Transfer Definitions
  - Transfer Policy
  - Quick reference guide
  - Step by step instructions (in development)
  - Videos (in development)
  - Canvas Course (in the future)
- o Email us!
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We are here for U!



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