



Davis Division Academic Senate

Request for Consultation Responses

BOARS Proposal on Transfer Admissions

May 2, 2012

BOARS proposes to increase the emphasis on preparation in the intended major in applications for transfer admission. The aim of the policy is to ensure transfer student success once they matriculate. The policy also formalizes two new pathways to preparation for transfer admission: Completion of a UC Transfer Curriculum (in the relevant major) and completion of an approved Associate Degree for Transfer (in the relevant major) as developed by the California community colleges.

Administrative Partners (DANN TRASK)

May 14, 2012 4:05 PM

Dear Professor Bisson,

The L&S Executive Committee has reviewed the BOARS proposal on transfer admissions and applauds the addition of two new pathways for transfer students to gain admission to UC. However, we are somewhat concerned by the possible level of involvement required by academic departments in the implementation of this proposal. In particular, the final paragraph on p. 12 should be clarified to make it clear that departments would be reviewing subject-matter requirements and not individual student applications. The committee views the latter as the responsibility of the Undergraduate Admissions Office.

Sincerely,

Abigail Thompson, Chair
Executive Committee
College of Letters and Science

Admissions & Enrollment

May 2, 2012 6:04 PM

Please find attached comments on the revised BOARS Transfer Proposal, on behalf of the Davis Division Committee on Admissions & Enrollment.

Ralph Aldredge, CAE Chair

Response continued on next page.

Most of the concerns addressed by the Davis Division Committee on Admissions and Enrollment (CAE) regarding the original draft of the BOARS transfer proposal have been adequately addressed. There remains some concern, however, about (a) whether faculty involvement would be sufficient for development of the UC Transfer Curricula and (b) the challenge of major preparation with declining course availability at California community colleges, which could potentially result in fewer qualified transfer applicants.

CAE recommends the following additional (underscored) verbiage to the statement of the second transfer pathway found on page 6 of the revised proposal, and anywhere else it appears, in order to make it clear that the seven-course requirement of [SR 476 C](#) is applicable thereto.

(2) Completion of an SB 1440 Associate Degree for Transfer in the applicant's chosen major along with the minimum seven courses currently specified in [SR 476 C](#), 60 (90 quarter) UC-transferrable units, and the minimum overall GPA established by the campus to which they apply^s.

College Committee: College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

May 3, 2012 10:39 AM

We are concerned about the availability of faculty for the development of the transfer curriculum. Our college has also seen a decrease in transfer students that have required courses due to a decrease in course offerings at the community college level. The later may affect the ability of students to transfer.

Chris Calvert, Chair

CA&ES Executive Committee

Council of School & College Faculty Chairs (AGRICULTURE)

May 3, 2012 10:43 AM

see College Committee: College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences response

Graduate Council

February 27, 2012 4:10 PM

No response at this time.

Undergraduate Council

May 14, 2012 12:25 PM

We are pleased with the attention paid in the revised document to issues of resources for evaluation and for the importance of communicating requirements to departments. We support this proposal.