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Report on Transfer and Articulation

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Introduction & Background

In compliance with Connecticut General Statutes 10a-55w, the University of Connecticut (UConn) has developed this report, which presents enrollment counts, average number of credits accepted and graduation rates for transfer students at large, as well as respective rates for students from the Connecticut Community Colleges and for those students entering through the Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP).

UConn is committed to providing access to transfer students and a robust educational experience as they progress toward their bachelor's degree. We have worked diligently to develop our GAP that assures community college students' admission to UConn if they earn a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average and earn an associate degree in an approved academic program and accepts ALL of their general education credits. UConn is working with CTCCs to identify programs of high impact for the workforce of the state that would benefit from inclusion in GAP.

In the Fall of 2023, we welcomed 619 transfer students to our Storrs campus. 303 of these students, or 48.9%, were from the state's 12 community colleges, many of which enrolled in GAP. We work with these transfer students and their institutions to facilitate a smooth transition and provide specific information about transferability of individual courses from each of the 12 community colleges and other public and private institutions to UConn. By using online resources and working with staff at other universities and colleges, students can matriculate at UConn with the vast majority of their general education requirements completed.

We are very proud of the following:

- 1. The Guaranteed Admissions Program (GAP) assures community college students' admission to UConn if they earn a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average and earn an associate degree in an approved academic program.
- 2. We developed an easy to use web-based tool to enable students to access and determine transferability of courses from institutions within Connecticut, as well as military coursework and trainings, for planning purposes.
- 3. Credit evaluations are delivered when a student is admitted to UConn. This provides transparency to prospective students in advance of their transfer decisions.

In fall 2021, in the interest of further improving transfer pathways and credit acceptance, the University created the *Transfer Credit Taskforce*. The taskforce was charged with developing recommendations to enhance policies, align resources, and create efficiency to achieve greater credit acceptance, transparency, and improved completion rates for transfer students at the University of Connecticut. The taskforce recommendations finalized Summer 2022 and are currently being implementated, including the expansion of the web-based tool to include schools outside of Connecticut, a study on a block transfer program, development of a transfer student survey, and others.

What follows is additional detail on our existing initiatives in support of transfer students.

The Guaranteed Admissions Program (GAP)

- Piloted in 2008/2009, this program assures community college students' admission to UConn if they earn a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average and earn an associate degree in an approved academic program. Currently, UConn offers the GAP program in over 70 majors and we are looking to expand this in the future.
- There is significant mutual commitment to this program established as a partnership in 2004 to offer a seamless transition from the associate to the bachelor's degree program. In 2010, the Guaranteed Admissions Program (GAP) Agreement was formalized. In 2012, the agreement was revised to offer GAP students greater flexibility to enter UConn at a later point in their associate program. And, in 2017, in collaboration with the community college presidents, UConn created a President to President Scholarship offered to students who enter UConn under GAP.
- The program is maintained and enhanced by the Guaranteed Admissions Oversight Committee (GAOC), which includes membership of faculty and staff at UConn and each community college. The GAOC meets twice per year.
- In 2021, to eliminate cost barriers for GAP students, UConn made GAP application available to students without an application fee.
- Graduation rate trends of GAP transfers and non-GAP transfers from UConn are shown in the tables at the end of this report.

The Transfer Evaluation Process

- Our Admissions website's easily accessible and straightforward link: Transfer Course Equivalencies: https://admissions.uconn.edu/apply/transfer/transfer-credit/equivalencies informs prospective transfers which courses, by specific Connecticut institution, are transferrable for credit to UConn. It also strongly urges students to visit the site often and consult with their academic advisor at their current institution for final determination as to how transfer credit might apply to a UConn degree program.
- This website is the result of hard work by UConn, Connecticut State Universities (CSU), and Community Colleges to ensure that transfer and articulation information is available to transfer students and particularly CSU, GAP and non-GAP Community College students. We work closely with faculty at CSU and the Community Colleges to make sure that every course offered at CSU and the Community Colleges is tied directly to its UConn equivalent in all but a few instances.
- UConn's current policy advises transfer students that online courses in laboratory sciences, including those offered in hybrid format, do not transfer; and that Pass/Fail grades are considered for credit given specific student circumstances. Some of the policies that were suspended, due to the continuing impact of COVID-19, have since been revised or removed as part of the permanent policy on transfer credit. Students should visit the Admissions Office website for the latest information.
- Further transfer credits are explained on the site, as follows: Transfer credit is awarded in semester hours. Grades from prior institution(s) do not transfer. Incoming courses are

considered and transferred as either equivalent to courses at UConn (same department and number as in UConn catalog) or generic (same department but with a 5-digit number assigned that begins with 9, as in 91000, 92000, etc.). Students will work with their UConn advisor to determine how generic credit best fits in to their degree requirements.

- UConn grants credit for courses that are taken at regionally accredited, degree-granting colleges and universities; are comparable in content and quality to courses offered at UConn; and are completed with a minimum grade of "C."
- Transfer guides were developed to provide better transparency on the transfer of general education course from CT Community Colleges.
- Our Admissions Office offers flexibility to students throughout the process, including evaluation of unofficial transcripts due to challenges in sending official copies and considering hardships due to the pandemic in the review of an application.

Transfer Recruitment and Marketing

- Through the Guaranteed Admissions Oversight Committee, UConn transfer admissions staff
 and academic advisors meet twice annually with community college counselors and conduct
 presentations regarding the transfer processes and requirements and discuss enhancements to
 the Guaranteed Admissions Program.
- Communication is ongoing between UConn and the community college staff and students throughout the year.
- UConn staff coordinate and attend programs at each CT Community College each year to visit with current students about transfer options to UConn, including GAP. These visits also provide opportunities for UConn and CT Community College staff to discuss opportunities for enhancing transfer enrollment processes for students. UConn also hosts open houses and other visitation programs specifically designed to meet the needs of transfer students. Programming also includes a new student orientation program specially designed for GAP students.
- UConn also welcomes transfers from the CSU System and private colleges and universities in Connecticut, as well as transfers from out-of-state institutions. It should also be noted the vast majority of students transferring from out-of-state institutions are Connecticut residents coming home.
- There remains many opportunities for students to connect with the Admissions Office, both inperson and virtually. In addition to ability to contact the office by phone or e-mail, we offer virtual campus tours, transfer admission information sessions, and one-on-one video chats with an Admissions staff member.

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All Transfers

| Cohort | Cohort Enrolled | | Enrolled Average Credits | | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|--------------------------|--------|-----------------|--|--|
| Colloit | Count | Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year | | |
| Fall 2015 | 835 | 46.5 | 54.3% | 78.7% | 81.2% | | |
| Fall 2016 | 849 | 46.7 | 56.9% | 76.2% | 80.4% | | |
| Fall 2017 | 865 | 45.7 | 55.7% | 73.8% | 77.0% | | |
| Fall 2018 | 780 | 46.8 | 57.8% | 75.4% | 77.8% | | |
| Fall 2019 | 735 | 46.8 | 55.0% | 74.3% | 76.9% | | |
| Fall 2020 | 745 | 45.1 | 47.2% | 57.0% | | | |
| Fall 2021 | 633 | 46.4 | 21.2% | | | | |

CT Community College Transfers

| Cohort | Enrolled | Average Credits | Graduation Rate | | te |
|-----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Colloit | Count | Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 262 | 58.8 | 36.6% | 70.2% | 75.6% |
| Fall 2016 | 261 | 59.8 | 46.7% | 70.9% | 78.9% |
| Fall 2017 | 262 | 58.2 | 37.8% | 63.4% | 69.8% |
| Fall 2018 | 217 | 58.2 | 47.9% | 72.4% | 78.3% |
| Fall 2019 | 209 | 58.8 | 39.2% | 66.5% | 71.3% |
| Fall 2020 | 242 | 57.1 | 36.8% | 57.0% | |
| Fall 2021 | 182 | 56.0 | 28.0% | | |

Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP) Transfers

| Cohort | | Average Credits | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Conort | Count | Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 36 | 61.5 | 52.8% | 83.3% | 83.3% |
| Fall 2016 | 49 | 63.0 | 59.2% | 79.6% | 87.8% |
| Fall 2017 | 41 | 62.2 | 53.7% | 65.9% | 68.3% |
| Fall 2018 | 59 | 62.2 | 71.2% | 91.5% | 94.9% |
| Fall 2019 | 42 | 65.7 | 54.8% | 76.2% | 78.6% |
| Fall 2020 | 39 | 61.6 | 46.2% | 66.7% | |
| Fall 2021 | 27 | 64.1 | 48.1% | | |

University of Connecticut - Total Regional Campuses <u>Transfer Student Completion Report</u> <u>December 2023</u>

All Transfers

| Cohort | Enrolled | Average Credits | Graduation Rate | | te |
|-----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Conort | Count | Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 232 | 41.6 | 48.7% | 67.2% | 70.7% |
| Fall 2016 | 205 | 43.1 | 42.4% | 62.4% | 64.9% |
| Fall 2017 | 261 | 45.3 | 36.0% | 55.9% | 59.0% |
| Fall 2018 | 208 | 41.3 | 38.9% | 57.2% | 59.1% |
| Fall 2019 | 216 | 40.8 | 35.6% | 55.1% | 58.3% |
| Fall 2020 | 247 | 40.3 | 34.0% | 43.3% | |
| Fall 2021 | 206 | 44.6 | 18.0% | | |

CT Community College Transfers

| Cohort | Cohort Enrolled | | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Conort | Count | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 115 | 51.8 | 47.0% | 72.2% | 76.5% |
| Fall 2016 | 117 | 49.2 | 36.8% | 63.2% | 65.0% |
| Fall 2017 | 132 | 51.4 | 32.6% | 58.3% | 63.6% |
| Fall 2018 | 107 | 46.9 | 37.4% | 60.7% | 61.7% |
| Fall 2019 | 92 | 52.1 | 30.4% | 59.8% | 66.3% |
| Fall 2020 | 121 | 49.3 | 37.2% | 53.7% | |
| Fall 2021 | 112 | 48.2 | 22.3% | | |

Note: Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP) Transfers - There are under 12 GAP transfers at the Regional Campuses. These students are included in the "Total All Campuses" page.

<u>University of Connecticut - Total All Campuses</u> <u>Transfer Student Completion Report</u> <u>December 2023</u>

All Transfers

| Cohort | Enrolled | Average Credits | Graduation Rate | | te |
|-----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Colloit | Count | Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 1,067 | 45.6 | 53.0% | 76.2% | 78.9% |
| Fall 2016 | 1,054 | 46.0 | 54.1% | 73.5% | 77.4% |
| Fall 2017 | 1,126 | 45.6 | 50.9% | 69.4% | 72.6% |
| Fall 2018 | 988 | 45.6 | 53.8% | 71.6% | 73.9% |
| Fall 2019 | 951 | 45.4 | 50.6% | 69.9% | 72.7% |
| Fall 2020 | 992 | 43.9 | 44.0% | 53.6% | |
| Fall 2021 | 839 | 45.9 | 20.4% | | |

CT Community College Transfers

| Cohort | Cohort Enrolled | | Enrolled Average Credits | | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|--------------------------|--------|-----------------|--|--|
| Conort | Count | Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year | | |
| Fall 2015 | 377 | 56.7 | 39.3% | 70.3% | 75.3% | | |
| Fall 2016 | 378 | 56.5 | 43.7% | 68.5% | 74.6% | | |
| Fall 2017 | 394 | 55.9 | 36.0% | 61.7% | 67.8% | | |
| Fall 2018 | 324 | 54.5 | 44.4% | 68.5% | 72.8% | | |
| Fall 2019 | 301 | 56.8 | 36.5% | 64.5% | 69.8% | | |
| Fall 2020 | 363 | 54.5 | 36.9% | 55.9% | | | |
| Fall 2021 | 294 | 53.0 | 25.9% | | | | |

Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP) Transfers

| Cohort | Cohort Enrolled | | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Conort | Count | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 40 | 61.9 | 55.0% | 85.0% | 85.0% |
| Fall 2016 | 58 | 62.9 | 55.2% | 81.0% | 87.9% |
| Fall 2017 | 48 | 62.1 | 45.8% | 66.7% | 68.8% |
| Fall 2018 | 68 | 62.1 | 70.6% | 91.2% | 94.1% |
| Fall 2019 | 55 | 64.4 | 58.2% | 74.5% | 76.4% |
| Fall 2020 | 45 | 60.9 | 44.4% | 68.9% | |
| Fall 2021 | 38 | 62.8 | 55.3% | | |

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Central CT State University

| C 1 . | Enrolled Average | | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Cohort | Count | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 25 | 39.8 | 60.0% | 84.0% | 84.0% |
| Fall 2016 | 40 | 39.7 | 72.5% | 85.0% | 87.5% |
| Fall 2017 | 23 | 38.0 | 78.3% | 87.0% | 87.0% |
| Fall 2018 | 26 | 41.3 | 57.7% | 69.2% | 73.1% |
| Fall 2019 | 23 | 51.9 | 52.2% | 73.9% | 73.9% |
| Fall 2020 | 23 | 46.6 | 52.2% | 69.6% | |
| Fall 2021 | 17 | 35.1 | 5.9% | | |

Eastern CT State University

| Enrolled | | Average | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------|------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Cohort | Count | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 64 | 35.4 | 70.3% | 85.9% | 87.5% |
| Fall 2016 | 67 | 39.7 | 67.2% | 88.1% | 89.6% |
| Fall 2017 | 48 | 37.4 | 68.8% | 83.3% | 87.5% |
| Fall 2018 | 34 | 37.7 | 61.8% | 76.5% | 76.5% |
| Fall 2019 | 29 | 48.9 | 58.6% | 82.8% | 82.8% |
| Fall 2020 | 29 | 37.3 | 51.7% | 55.2% | |
| Fall 2021 | 26 | 37.9 | 7.7% | | |

Southern CT State University

| Enrolled | | Average | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Cohort | Count | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 14 | 37.1 | 57.1% | 85.7% | 85.7% |
| Fall 2016 | 12 | 42.0 | 41.7% | 66.7% | 75.0% |
| Fall 2017 | 26 | 42.7 | 53.8% | 88.5% | 88.5% |
| Fall 2018 | 26 | 31.8 | 65.4% | 65.4% | 65.4% |
| Fall 2019 | 24 | 39.0 | 75.0% | 95.8% | 95.8% |
| Fall 2020 | 29 | 41.2 | 51.7% | 65.5% | |
| Fall 2021 | 23 | 39.4 | 30.4% | | |

Western CT State University

| | Enrolled | Average | G | raduation Ra | te |
|-----------|----------|---------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Cohort | Count | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 15 | 40.9 | 66.7% | 86.7% | 86.7% |
| Fall 2016 | 20 | 37.4 | 65.0% | 75.0% | 75.0% |
| Fall 2017 | 19 | 43.6 | 57.9% | 84.2% | 89.5% |
| Fall 2018 | 18 | 35.0 | 55.6% | 61.1% | 61.1% |
| Fall 2019 | 13 | 35.1 | 46.2% | 69.2% | 69.2% |
| Fall 2020 | 17 | 34.3 | 52.9% | 52.9% | |
| Fall 2021 | 11 | 30.5 | 9.1% | | |

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Central CT State University

| Cohort | Enrolled Count | Average Credits Accepted | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | | | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 32 | 36.7 | 62.5% | 81.3% | 81.3% |
| Fall 2016 | 42 | 39.0 | 71.4% | 83.3% | 85.7% |
| Fall 2017 | 27 | 36.3 | 70.4% | 81.5% | 81.5% |
| Fall 2018 | 33 | 37.3 | 51.5% | 60.6% | 63.6% |
| Fall 2019 | 29 | 45.1 | 55.2% | 72.4% | 72.4% |
| Fall 2020 | 29 | 44.0 | 51.7% | 65.5% | |
| Fall 2021 | 23 | 33.4 | 8.7% | | |

Eastern CT State University

| Cohort | Enrolled Count | Average Credits Accepted | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | | | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 70 | 35.1 | 71.4% | 85.7% | 87.1% |
| Fall 2016 | 71 | 39.0 | 66.2% | 85.9% | 87.3% |
| Fall 2017 | 54 | 37.0 | 68.5% | 83.3% | 87.0% |
| Fall 2018 | 39 | 37.6 | 56.4% | 69.2% | 69.2% |
| Fall 2019 | 35 | 46.3 | 51.4% | 74.3% | 74.3% |
| Fall 2020 | 36 | 37.6 | 47.2% | 55.6% | |
| Fall 2021 | 28 | 39.3 | 10.7% | | |

Southern CT State University

| Cohort | Enrolled Count | Average Credits Accepted | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | | | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 21 | 31.4 | 52.4% | 76.2% | 76.2% |
| Fall 2016 | 14 | 39.5 | 50.0% | 71.4% | 78.6% |
| Fall 2017 | 30 | 40.3 | 53.3% | 86.7% | 86.7% |
| Fall 2018 | 35 | 32.5 | 62.9% | 65.7% | 68.6% |
| Fall 2019 | 35 | 34.5 | 68.6% | 85.7% | 85.7% |
| Fall 2020 | 38 | 38.5 | 50.0% | 60.5% | |
| Fall 2021 | 32 | 37.7 | 21.9% | | |

Western CT State University

| Cohort | Enrolled Count | Average | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 24 | 39.0 | 58.3% | 70.8% | 70.8% |
| Fall 2016 | 23 | 36.7 | 69.6% | 78.3% | 87.0% |
| Fall 2017 | 24 | 41.8 | 54.2% | 79.2% | 83.3% |
| Fall 2018 | 21 | 33.0 | 52.4% | 57.1% | 57.1% |
| Fall 2019 | 15 | 35.1 | 40.0% | 60.0% | 60.0% |
| Fall 2020 | 20 | 34.6 | 55.0% | 55.0% | |
| Fall 2021 | 13 | 31.3 | 7.7% | | |

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Connecticut State Universities Combined

Total All Campuses

| Cohort | Enrolled Count | Average | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | | Credits Accepted | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2015 | 147 | 35.5 | 64.6% | 81.0% | 81.6% |
| Fall 2016 | 150 | 38.7 | 66.7% | 82.7% | 86.0% |
| Fall 2017 | 135 | 38.4 | 63.0% | 83.0% | 85.2% |
| Fall 2018 | 128 | 35.4 | 56.3% | 64.1% | 65.6% |
| Fall 2019 | 114 | 40.9 | 56.1% | 75.4% | 75.4% |
| Fall 2020 | 123 | 38.9 | 50.4% | 59.3% | |
| Fall 2021 | 96 | 36.3 | 13.5% | | |

Storrs Campus

| Cohort | Enrolled Count | Average Credits Accepted | Graduation Rate | | |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | | | 4 Year | 5 Year | 6 Year |
| Fall 2014 | 126 | 37.6 | 63.5% | 82.5% | 84.9% |
| Fall 2015 | 118 | 37.2 | 66.1% | 85.6% | 86.4% |
| Fall 2016 | 139 | 39.5 | 66.2% | 83.5% | 87.1% |
| Fall 2017 | 116 | 39.7 | 65.5% | 85.3% | 87.9% |
| Fall 2018 | 104 | 36.7 | 60.6% | 69.2% | 70.2% |
| Fall 2019 | 89 | 44.9 | 59.6% | 82.0% | 82.0% |
| Fall 2020 | 98 | 40.2 | 52.0% | 61.2% | |
| Fall 2021 | 77 | 36.7 | 14.3% | | |