

SUMMER 2025

TRANSFER TO SUCCESS

**YOU EARNED THIS AND MORE. YOUR FIRST SEMESTER CAN
SET YOU UP WELL FOR GRADUATION AND BEYOND.**



HOWDY & WELCOME!

Introductions



I am... Val

They are... Hope and Stephanie

Who you also see... mentors & peers

What you see up front... interaction
incentives

And here is the first one....



About Your New Academic Home



Every College Has a Culture

What does a Research 1 Institution mean and how does it impact you as a transfer?

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Top 4 Resources 4 Transfers

TRANSFER CENTER What? Transfer Center is a place where you can get help with the transfer process.	DO NOT STOP What? Don't stop your search for a transfer school. Keep looking and you will find the right school for you.
TRANSFER STUDENT PROGRAM What? Transfer Student Program is a program that helps transfer students adjust to college life.	TRANSFER CENTER APP What? Transfer Center App is a mobile app that helps you find transfer schools and resources.

4.0 GPA Is Not the Goal

Do you have to be in honors to take honors courses?

Are scholarships only available when you apply?

Transfer students often have a 4.0 GPA, but it's not the goal. The goal is to be a successful student.	Professors will transfer you to the right school. They will not transfer you to a school that is not a good fit for you.
The most successful transfer students have a 4.0 GPA and a strong academic record.	The key is to be a successful student. Don't focus on the GPA. Focus on your academic performance.

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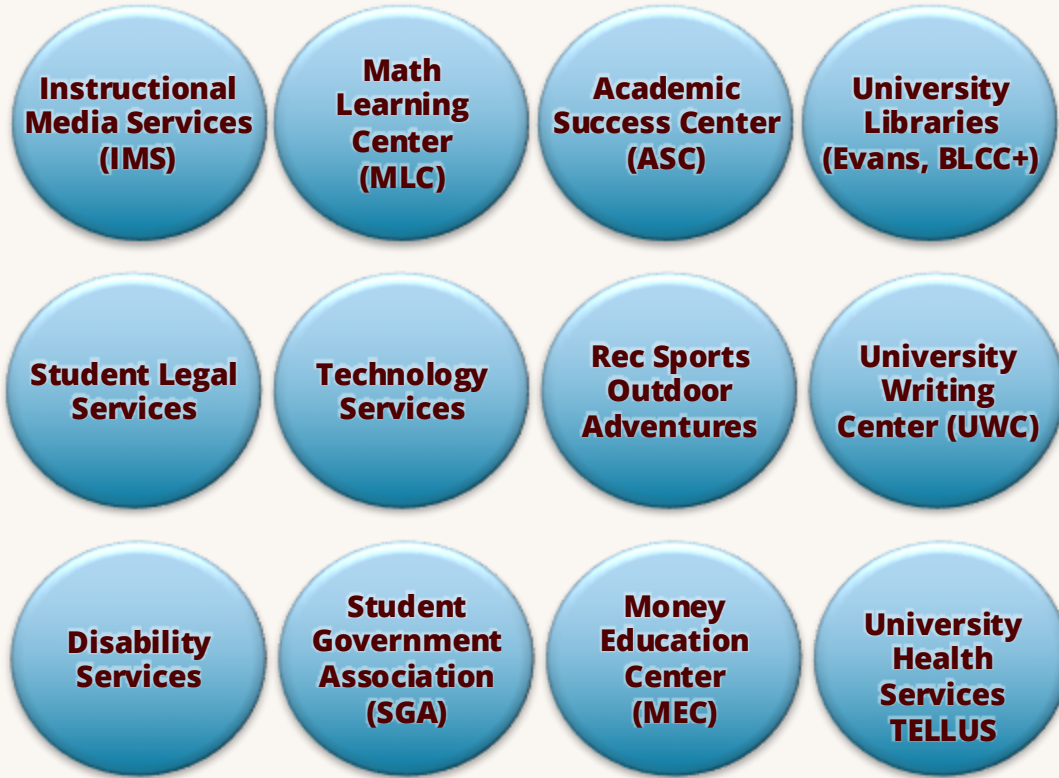
R1 institutions are research-focused and test accordingly.

R1 campuses are usually large and decentralized. Advising's, financial aid, Professional School Advising (want to be a lawyer?).

R1 institutions offer research opportunities to those who ask, read emails and utilize office hours.

You belong. But you have to build your own community. Every institution has its own culture.

Top 4 Resources 4 Transfers



CAREER CENTER

Why? Career Fairs, you have a let up. SIGI3 tool to match interests with majors/careers, VMOCK +

AGGIE ONE STOP

Why? Right now, you have zero grades. More opportunities open up as your transcript fills out. Ex. Tau Sigma, emergency funds, scholarships and appeals.

EAB NAVIGATE APP

Why? Advising and mentor appointments, Studybuddy's, holds and blocks.

TRANSFER STUDENT PROGRAM

Why? Because we're going to help you remember all of these.

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TAMU offers free tutoring; it's part of your fees. 100-200 level course. **Studyhub**, **AggieDemics**.

Professors will teach you the material, **they will not teach you how to learn** the material.

The most successful transfer students have a 3-year plan, not a semester-to-semester plan.

You belong. But you may have to build your own community. Social and academic integration doesn't always happen organically.

Questions You Might Not Know to Ask



Is there a place on campus where I can borrow a camera, tripod, or video equipment for a class?



I want to change my major, I heard there's a major-matching tool I can use—is that true?



If I need emergency money or financial help, what can I do? Are there rules for that?



Are there places on campus where I can find food if funds are tight this month?



I have a child, my communications prof holds her test at night, are there any childcare options in town?



I need a cooler and Kayak — can I rent that?



A group of approximately 15 students are gathered in stadium bleachers at night. They are wearing maroon Texas A&M Aggies apparel, including t-shirts and a hoodie. The students are cheering, with some making hand gestures like the 'L' sign. One student in the back row is wearing a red and white tie-dye tank top and bright blue sunglasses. The bleachers are numbered 10 through 15. A large white text box with a maroon border is overlaid on the center of the image.

LET'S READ THE ROOM



What are you pretending like you understand right now but really don't?



What do you hope to find at Texas A&M that you didn't have at your last school?



What does a successful first semester look like to you?

All Corners of Support



TRANSFER PEER MENTORS

- ☯ BTDT; all transfer students
- ☯ Late office hours
- ☯ Training, human info source
- ☯ Non-Traditional students*

Pro Tip: Take advantage of your allies. You don't know what you don't know.



THE TRANSFER VILLAGE

- ☯ Study loungers, computers and copy machines
- ☯ Kitchenette and coffee bar, TVs, snack bar restocked every Monday.
- ☯ Nintendo Switch

Info: Open until 9 pm in the Fall and 8 pm in the Spring.



TRANSITIONAL (stay-in-the-loop) **WORKSHOPS**

- ☯ 50-minute seminars, goes more in-depth on everything I've told you today.
- ☯ Free food. Only for transfer students. Extremely interactive. Peer led.

Pro Tip: Mastering time management is key to stress management.

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ACCOUNTABILITY GROUPS

- 🌀 Small, max 10 students
- 🌀 Meet same time, every week, task-oriented study group
- 🌀 You decide what you need to work on

***Pro Tip:** Excellent time management tool, stay motivated and get stuff done.*



BUSH, MAYS AND ENG ALLIANCE GROUPS

- 🌀 Weekly meeting, subject specialists and coaching.
- 🌀 Topics & support options vary from week to week.

***Pro Tip:** We know coding can trip students up, learn from your peers.*



WE TRY TO HAVE FUN

- 🌀 Rec Your Day.
- 🌀 Weekly socials, keep up with our hobbies, explore Bryan/College Station.
- 🌀 Join us and find balance.

***Pro Tip:** Put yourself out there, I promise it's not just you.*

If You Want to Stay in the Loop



Pass It Back Podcast



- 🌀 S4 Ep. 1: Register for Success
- 🌀 S1 Ep. 2: Say Howdy to Traditions
- 🌀 S2 Ep. 6: Face Your Fears

TSP Pulse Magazine



Spring 2025 Edition

- 🌀 Best places to eat
- 🌀 Hidden ways to use Navigate
- 🌀 Best Day Trips in and around Aggieland

Transfer Honor Society



Tau Sigma National Honor Society

- 🌀 Only honor society for transfers
- 🌀 3.50 or higher first semester
- 🌀 \$100,000

“Howdy, Again: Transfer Edition” Zoom Drop-in Sessions

- 🌀 Reconnect, get questions answered, and prepare to hit the ground running.
- 🌀 Your bridge between NSC and the first day of class.



THANK YOU

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