



# transfertalk

BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE OFFICE OF TRANSFER SERVICES

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## PREPARING FOR THE TRANSFER FAIR

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How can you find colleges that offer degree programs congruent with your career and educational goals? Before investing time and money visiting a college, you have the opportunity, right here on campus, to speak with them at the Transfer Fair, which is held every fall and spring semester. To make the most of the Transfer Fair you should go in with plan; without one, the Transfer Fair can easily become nothing more than a blur of handshakes, smiles, and the accumulation of enough pamphlets to wallpaper the library in North Hall.

### PREPARING TO BE PRODUCTIVE

Before attending the Transfer Fair, visit the websites of the schools you may be interested in to help you formulate questions, which you should write down and have with you the day of the fair. Be sure you bring a bag to store materials. While I may have kidded above about accumulating pamphlets, you should collect them from the schools you interested in and read them closely. Also, be prepared with a pen, as representatives may ask you to complete an information card.

### QUESTIONS TO ASK

When you have the ear of the representative, take advantage of the opportunity by asking pointed questions. Don't be shy! They are here to answer your questions. If they don't know the answer to your question, have them e-mail you with an answer. Detailed below are some possible questions you can ask.

#### Your school offers both a B.A. and B.S. in this major. What is the difference?

The reason you want to ask this question is because the profession you are looking at may prefer one over the other.

#### Does this major have competitive admission requirements?

While schools publish minimum GPA requirements, the minimum does not guarantee admission. Competitive majors typically select students from the upper echelons of the GPA scale and work their way down. The sooner you know this, the sooner you can make any adjustments---which is why you should attend the Transfer Fair early in your career at BCC and often!

#### Does your college offer special programs such as study abroad or independent study?

Special programs are an excellent complement to your degree and can be resume boosters when you first graduate.

#### Is there job placement assistance for graduates?

Ultimately, you are going to college so that you can eventually commence a career. However, a college education won't always guarantee you an awesome entry-level position. Very often you will need some resources and assistance from your college with resume and interview prep to distinguish you from other candidates.

College representatives should be asked about financial aid, scholarships and the debt the typical student carries after graduation. If you are not aware of the perils of student debt, please search the PBS News Hour website for related stories.

Finally, be open to other schools you may not have previously researched. You may find one at the Transfer Fair that you were not aware of before and they may have exactly what you are looking for. Be ready for pleasant surprises at the Transfer Fair!

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## SPRING 2019 TRANSFER FAIR

### Tuesday, April 9, 2019



10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Colston Lower Level

Meet representatives from CUNY, SUNY, and many other colleges and universities. They will share information about academic programs, admissions requirements, financial aid and scholarships. Don't miss this opportunity to educate yourself about bachelor degree programs designed to meet your educational and career goals.

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Transfer Services provides students with services to inform and facilitate transfer to appropriate senior colleges.

Transfer Services can help you:

- Understand the educational paths that will move you toward your intended career
- Ensure that your degree program is consistent with your objectives
- Select courses to maximize the number of credits transferred
- Take charge of your planning for transfer by teaching you how to conduct research
- Understand the benefit of articulation agreements

Transfer Services addresses student needs via advisement, coordination of the transfer fair, the *Transfer Talk* newsletter, videos, and workshops.



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## - SPRING 2019 WORKSHOPS -

### Transfer Planning Thursdays

Learn the value of early transfer planning by using tools such as the college catalog and articulation agreements to chart your academic career toward a bachelor's degree and beyond. A must for students with fewer than 30 credits. This is an ASAP approved workshop.

Every second Thursday of the month | 12-1:30 | North Hall 133

February 7, 2019

March 7, 2019

April 11, 2019

May 9, 2019

### Second Saturday Scholarship Workshops

Learn the scholarship essentials: Researching scholarships; Resumes for scholarships; Writing scholarship essays. A must for ALL students! This is an ASAP approved workshop.

Every second Saturday of the month | 12-1:30 | North Hall 210

February 9, 2019

March 9, 2019

April 13, 2019

May 11, 2019

## - ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS AND OTHER PARTNERSHIPS -

Read more articulation agreements and other partnerships at: <https://goo.gl/tMwHcv>

An **articulation agreement** is an agreement between two schools that helps course credit at one school to be accepted or transferred and applied toward a degree at another school.

A **memorandum of understanding (MOU)** is an agreement between institutions that expresses an agreed course of action and conditions under which the receiving institution will accept students for matriculation.

A **joint degree program** agreement stipulates that following successful completion of the associate degree program and graduation from Bronx Community College, students will be automatically accepted into the specified baccalaureate program of the named senior college.

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