



Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

Technology and Partnerships for Transfer Success Initiative: Spotlight on LCCC and UNC

Western Alliance of Community College
Academic Leaders Annual Meeting
April 16, 2:35-3:25 pm MST

AGENDA

- ▶ **Why WICHE, why transfer?**
- ▶ **Interstate Passport**
- ▶ **Technology and Partnerships for Transfer Success**
- ▶ **Partnership between Laramie County Community College (LCCC) and University of Northern Colorado (UNC)**
 - Aspen Institute Unlocking Opportunity Initiative
 - Technology investment in Transferology
- ▶ **Questions**

WICHE's Mission

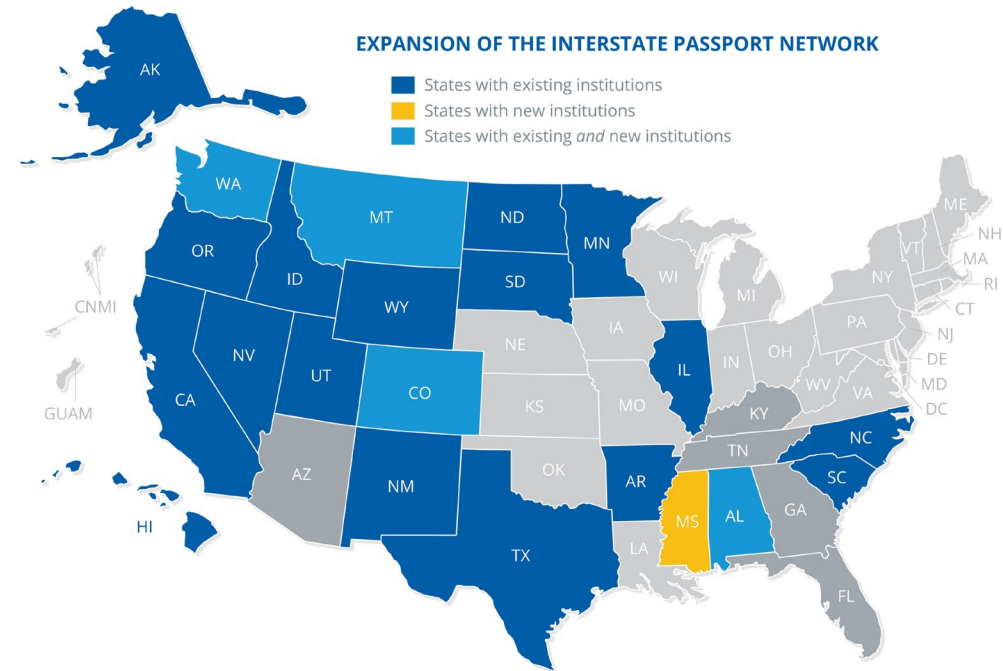


WICHE works collaboratively to expand educational access and excellence for all residents of the West.

By promoting innovation, cooperation, resource sharing, and sound public policy, WICHE strengthens higher education's contributions to the region's social, economic, and civic life.

WHAT WAS INTERSTATE PASSPORT?

- ▶ Interstate Passport® was a national program that enables seamless block transfer of lower-division general education.
- ▶ Interstate Passport® was based on an agreed upon set of learning outcomes rather than on specific courses and credits.



LESSONS LEARNED

- ▶ **Who is a transfer student? Do you consider other modes of credit mobility like credit for prior learning? Dual enrollment?**
- ▶ **Do you know what your biggest sources of credit loss are? How are you tracking this information?**
- ▶ **When sending students, do you have a way to understand their success? When receiving, do you have a way of communicating their progress?**
- ▶ **Who is your team? Who might be missing?**

TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

- ▶ **ARIZONA:** Northern Arizona University, Maricopa Community College District, and Mohave Community College are developing a technology platform to exchange critical student data to better enable staff from both institutions to identify and support “some college no credential” students in re-enrolling and completing their credential.
- ▶ **ARIZONA:** University of Arizona and Pima Community College are implementing “UnBlockEd,” a boutique portal that seeks to support students with complex academic histories.
- ▶ **COLORADO/WYOMING:** University of Northern Colorado and Laramie County Community College are implementing student-facing technology to increase transparency around transfer outcomes.

TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

- ▶ **SOUTH DAKOTA:** Dakota State University and Lake Area Technical College are implementing course equivalency software to support transfer in high-demand workforce areas for students with technical degrees.
- ▶ **SOUTH DAKOTA:** Northern State University and Southeast Technical College are investing in technology to facilitate a co-admission and co-enrollment partnership.
- ▶ **MONTANA:** Montana University System and Helena College are piloting applications to increase visibility and transparency of degree plan options and requirements to students and advisors with the goal of having them implemented across the system.

GRANT OUTCOMES

- ▶ **Resources to evaluate and address impediments to transfer student success**
- ▶ **A tool that helps calculate tuition savings from increased transfer efficiency**
- ▶ **Methods for institutions to enhance their information systems to support transfer advising activities**
- ▶ **Summarizing documents including case studies, recommendations, and lessons learned**



CENTRAL QUESTION

Can we demonstrate in any measurable way that technology has helped to support transfer student outcomes?

OUTCOMES

- ▶ **Resource sharing**
- ▶ **Community**
- ▶ **Technology's role in systems change**
- ▶ **Findings in October 2026**

PARTNERSHIPS

▶ LCCC and UNC partnership

▶ Additional context – LCCC and Unlocking Opportunity

- Create clear transfer pathways with University of Wyoming – Express Transfer Agreement.
- The grant provided an opportunity to try and duplicate the work LCCC had already completed with UW with another institution.
- Cross-representation of faculty and staff from both LCCC and UNC determined programs for the transfer pathways.
- MOU is in the process of review.

LCCC-UNC PATHWAY

- ▶ **UNC is 6th in the list of top receivers of transcripts from LCCC**
- ▶ **Currently, 1 in 4 LCCC students transfer from LCCC to complete a four-year degree**
- ▶ **UNC is within a 50-mile radius of LCCC**

COLORADO DESTINATIONS FROM LCCC

Colorado Institution	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
FRONT RANGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	18	10	10
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY	11	7	11
UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO	13	5	6
AIMS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	10	7	< 5
METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER	7	< 5	< 5
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	< 5	6	< 5
ARAPAHOE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	< 5	< 5	5
COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY	5	< 5	< 5

PARTNERSHIPS

- ▶ **Transferology**
- ▶ **Collaboration between LCCC and UNC Registrar's offices to create the transfer pathways in Transferology**
- ▶ **Goal – To show students how their LCCC program will transfer as well as the remaining semesters at UNC**
 - Business & Accounting, AS; Psychology, AS; Art, AA; Elementary & Early Childhood Education, AA; Secondary Education; AA

OUTCOMES

▶ **Technology's role in systems change**

- Use reports within Transferology Lab (staff view) to see number of institutional searches and possible student transfer activity
- Use Transferology as a recruitment tool when students submit a request for information.
- Time...



Questions?

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