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Phi Theta Kappa Recognizes Colleges for Exemplary Transfer Pathways

Jackson, Mississippi — Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society (PTK) has named 150 colleges and universities to its 2021 Transfer Honor Roll in recognition of the dynamic pathways they have created to support transfer students.

The Transfer Honor Roll, made possible by a \$100,000 grant from The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, recognizes four-year colleges and universities that have developed transfer pathways that lead to excellence and success among community college transfer students. Colleges were selected based on their Transfer Friendliness Rating, which is determined by the Transfer Profile they create in PTK Connect.

[PTK Connect](#) is Phi Theta Kappa's online tool that helps students find their best-fit colleges, career pathways, and more. Students can search for colleges by name, scholarship offerings, or cost, and they can use the institutions' profiles to help evaluate where they'd like to enroll.

"The Transfer Honor Roll reflects the growing importance of recognizing and responding to the needs of transfer students," Phi Theta Kappa President and CEO Dr. Lynn Tincher-Ladner said. "This award is given to four-year colleges and universities with proven outcomes for transfer success. They are the best at providing a supportive and smooth transition from community college — equating to increased rates of bachelor's degree attainment for transfer students."

Colleges utilizing PTK Connect can complete a Transfer Profile, which asks questions about admissions practices, cost of attendance, campus life, recruitment practices, and peer reviews. It is meant to reflect what the transfer student experience is like at their colleges, as well as the strategies colleges are taking to support and enroll transfer students.

The profile immediately gives colleges a Transfer Friendliness Rating they can use internally to gauge how friendly their admissions and recruitment strategies are. The top 25 percent highest-rated colleges are named to the Transfer Honor Roll.

"PTK Connect and our Transfer Profile are one of a kind — no other resource specifically focuses on supporting transfer students and sharing data relevant exclusively to this population of students," said Christin Grissom, Phi Theta Kappa's Vice President of Scholarship and Membership.



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Through a unique partnership with the National Student Clearinghouse, colleges can have data from the Clearinghouse automatically populated into their Transfer Profiles each year. Students can see some of this data on the colleges' profiles, enabling them to assess what the college does to support transfer students, see the number of transfer students enrolled at that college, and determine whether the school could be a good fit.

The Transfer Profile also serves as a resource colleges can use when evaluating their admissions and recruitment practices to create new strategies to better support the transfer student population.

Members of the 2021 Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Honor Roll are:

Adelphi University (NY)	Drake University (IA)
Anna Maria College (MA)	Duquesne University (PA)
Antioch University (WA)	East Texas Baptist University (TX)
Appalachian State University (NC)	Eastern Illinois University (IL)
Arizona State University (AZ)	Eastern Oregon University (OR)
Baldwin Wallace University (OH)	Eckerd College (FL)
Barton College (NC)	Elizabethtown College (PA)
Bay Path University (MA)	Elmhurst University (IL)
Becker College (MA)	Elmira College (NY)
Belhaven University (MS)	Emerson College (MA)
Bellevue University (NE)	Florida International University (FL)
Binghamton University (NY)	Florida Southern College (FL)
Blue Mountain College (MS)	Freed-Hardeman University (TN)
Bluffton University (OH)	Friends University (KS)
Buena Vista University (IA)	Georgetown University SCS (DC)
Carroll College (MT)	Georgia Southern University (GA)
Carson-Newman University (TN)	Georgian Court University (NJ)
Carthage College (WI)	Gonzaga University (WA)
Chatham University (PA)	Grand View University (IA)
Clarke University (IA)	Hiram College (OH)
College for Creative Studies (MI)	Illinois College (IL)
Colorado Mesa University (CO)	Illinois Institute of Technology (IL)
Columbia College (SC)	Illinois State University (IL)
Concordia University (MN)	Iowa State University (IA)
Cornell College (IA)	Kansas State University (KS)
Dallas Baptist University (TX)	Kean University (NJ)
Dean College (MA)	King's College (PA)
Delaware Valley University (PA)	Kutztown University (PA)
DePaul University (IL)	La Salle University (PA)



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Lee University (TN)
Lees-McRae College (NC)
LIM College (NY)
Lindenwood University (MO)
Lipscomb University (TN)
Long Island University Post (NY)
Louisiana State University (LA)
Loyola Marymount University (CA)
Loyola University Chicago (IL)
Loyola University New Orleans (LA)
Marian University (IN)
Marquette University (WI)
Maryville College (TN)
Merrimack College (MA)
Metropolitan State Univ. of Denver (CO)
Millikin University (IL)
Mississippi State University (MS)
Missouri University of Science & Technology (MO)
Monmouth College (IL)
Mount Mercy University (IA)
Neumann University (PA)
New College of Florida (FL)
Newman University (KS)
Niagara University (NY)
North Carolina Wesleyan College (NC)
North Central College (IL)
Northern Arizona University (AZ)
Northland College (WI)
Northwest Nazarene University (ID)
Oakland University (MI)
Oglethorpe University (GA)
Ohio Dominican University (OH)
Ohio University (OH)
Pacific University (OR)
Prescott College (AZ)
Randolph-Macon College (VA)
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (NY)
Rider University (NJ)
Robert Morris University (PA)
Roger Williams University (RI)
Rollins College (FL)
Rowan University (NJ)
Russell Sage College (NY)
Rutgers University Newark (NJ)
Saint Joseph's University (PA)
Saint Peter's University (NJ)
Southern IL University Edwardsville (IL)
Southern Wesleyan University (SC)
Spring Hill College (AL)
Springfield College (MA)
St. Cloud State University (MN)
St. Edward's University (TX)
St. John Fisher College (NY)
Stephens College (MO)
Stevenson University (MD)
Suffolk University (MA)
SUNY – Cortland (NY)
SUNY – Geneseo (NY)
SUNY Polytechnic Institute (NY)
Texas A&M University Corpus Christi (TX)
Texas Lutheran University (TX)
Texas Tech University (TX)
Texas Wesleyan University (TX)
The College of Saint Rose (NY)
The University of Texas at Arlington (TX)
Trevecca Nazarene University (TN)
University of Arizona (AZ)
University of Colorado Boulder (CO)
University of Kansas (KS)
University of Louisville (KY)
University of Mississippi (MS)
University of Mount Union (OH)
University of New Haven (CT)
University of Northern Iowa (IA)
University of Pittsburgh Bradford (PA)
University of San Francisco (CA)
University of Southern Mississippi (MS)
University of Tampa (FL)
Valparaiso University (IN)
Wagner College (NY)



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Webster University (MO)
Western Governors University (UT)
Western Kentucky University (KY)
Whitworth University (WA)

Wichita State University (KS)
Wilkes University (PA)
Wilmington College (OH)
Wilmington University (DE)
York College of Pennsylvania (PA)

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