

Articulation and Transfer: Summary of Delgado, UNO and SUNO Referral Initiatives for Post-Secondary Education in Greater New Orleans

In the fall of 2011, Delgado Community College initiated discussions, primarily with the University of New Orleans and Southern University at New Orleans, to address a comprehensive approach to post-secondary education for the Greater New Orleans area.

Initial conversations centered on a combined approach to student advising reviewing academic preparation and identified career interest. The goal of the initiative is to provide students with an advising plan to include referral based on admission requirements, program availability, and interest. These conversations are ongoing.

Delgado currently offers a 30-credit hour Certificate of General Studies (CGS) program designed specifically for students who do not meet admission criteria to area Senior Colleges. The CGS is comprised of transferrable general education courses, and allows students to select six credit hours for exploration purposes.

Traditionally, students not meeting admission requirements to UNO have been referred to Delgado with a list of courses that will be acceptable later in transfer. No formal tracking method exists; however, plans to convert to a Student Information System common to all LCTC System Colleges will allow for increased data entry, data collection, and query reporting for such admission referrals in the near future.