The Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) recently released updated data for the 2015-16 academic year about student transfer on MI School Data. The College Transfer data includes information about sending and receiving institutions, the number and percentage of transfer students, disaggregation by gender and race/ethnicity, and grade point average information.

**Community College Student Destination, by Institution Type**

In total, 46,861 students who previously attended one of the 28 community colleges in Michigan enrolled at another institution of higher education during the 2015-16 academic year. Students enrolled at public universities, community colleges, and independent colleges and universities in Michigan and in other states. Approximately 44% of students (20,456) transferred to one of the 15 public universities in Michigan, another 25% of students (11,675) attended one of the 28 public community colleges in Michigan, nearly 15% of students (6,907) attended an independent college or university in Michigan, and the final 17% of students (7,823) attended a college or university out of state.

**Additional Transfer Details**

The data in the College Transfer report includes rich details about statewide transfer student experiences. A summary of key data points includes:

- Among the 46,861 students who transferred to another institution of higher education in 2015-16, 39,038 students (83%) remained in the state of Michigan.
- Students transferred to 72 different institutions of higher education in Michigan including all 15 public universities, all 28 community colleges, 29 private/independent colleges and universities.
- More than half of the community colleges sent students to all 15 public universities. All the community colleges in Michigan sent students to at least 11 public universities in Michigan in addition to 29 independent colleges and universities in Michigan.
- Five public universities enrolled more than 2,000 community college students in one academic year.

**Statewide Transfer Pathways**

The Michigan Center for Student Success has been working with college leaders from across Michigan to improve transfer student pathways from community colleges to universities including the replacement of the Michigan Transfer Network, enhancing the Michigan Transfer Agreement, and building statewide associate to bachelor’s degree transfer pathways. Contact the MCSS for additional information about efforts focused on transfer student success across Michigan.

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1 Out-of-state enrollment may include enrollment at institutions of higher education that operate in the state of Michigan, but the institution’s address is outside of the state or students enrolled at institutions who operate online.