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California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris Applauds UC Plan to Admit Students from a Wider Array of Community Colleges

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor [Brice W. Harris](#) issued the following statement on a University of California (UC) plan, announced today at a UC Board of Regents meeting, which aims to strengthen and streamline transfer for California community college students to the UC system:

“The California Community Colleges supports the University of California’s transfer task force recommendations and will work collaboratively to implement the group’s recommendations. Many of California’s most [innovative and inspiring leaders](#) started at community colleges. The goal of broadening the diverse pool of community college transfers to UC is in keeping with our mission. More resources are needed, however, to enable California public higher education to raise the volume of transfers across systems to increase degree completion and meet the economic and social needs of our state.”

Background:

The plan comes in response to findings that three-quarters of UC’s transfer students are admitted from about one-third of the state’s community colleges. UC President Janet Napolitano convened the UC Transfer Action Team to recommend ways of streamlining transfers. The task force’s recommendations include:

- Enhancing and extending UC’s outreach and communications to a broader range of prospective transfer students attending California’s community colleges;
- Augmenting ongoing faculty initiatives to streamline, where possible, transfer admission and preparation requirements; and
- Strengthening the California Master Plan for Higher Education transfer function through vigorous intersegmental collaboration.

The full UC report can be viewed at: <http://ucop.edu/transfer-action-team/transfer-action-team-report-2014.pdf>

The [California Community Colleges](#) is the largest system of higher education in the nation composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.1 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills education and prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions. The Chancellor’s Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. For more information about the community colleges, please visit <http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/>.

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