To: Deans/Directors of Admission and Records
From: Allison G. Jones
Subject: General Education Completion by Transfers

As part of the California State University's Partnership Agreement with the Governor, CSU agreed to report progress toward the goals of increasing California Community College transfer rates and transfer student academic preparation. Indicator 11: "Increasing Community College Transfer Rates" calls for CSU to increase the number of California Community College transfer students who complete all lower-division CSU General Education-Breadth requirements before transferring by using the California State University/California Community Colleges transfer certification process or Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC). To respond to this indicator, CSU has agreed to modify its student information reporting system to collect information about the number of students enrolling at CSU certified for general education using either GE-Breadth or IGETC for students entering CSU in 2001-02.

We are sensitive to the need to limit enrollment reporting changes that increase campus workload, and we recognize that many campuses are involved in software implementation at the present time. Therefore, at this time, we are not adding to ERS a requirement to report these data through ERSS. However, each campus is required to report this information informally until data system support makes more formal reporting possible. CSU will ensure that PeopleSoft incorporates this reporting requirement in the system under development.

Until this occurs, we are requesting each campus to report by August 15th the approximate number of upper division California Community College transfer students who are fully certified in general education either by GE-Breadth or IGETC. The full certification can be on the basis of receipt of a CSU GE-Breadth or IGETC certification from the community college or on the basis of the campus GE-Breadth pattern.

If you have any questions about this annual reporting requirement and the first report due August 15, 2002 for the 2001-02 academic year, please feel free to contact Nancy Sprotte or me. Dr. Sprotte may be reached by e-mail at <nsprotte@calstate.edu> or by telephone at (562) 951-4726. I may be reached by e-mail at <ajones@calstate.edu> or by telephone at (562) 951-4744.

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