Unleash your greatness in a Transfer Community!

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PICK YOUR PATH
UALBANY FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE
TRANSFER COMMUNITIES

TRANSFER COMMUNITIES:
YOUR DOORWAY INTO ALL THAT UALBANY HAS TO OFFER!

OPEN THE DOOR
TO UALBANY GREATNESS!
Transfer Communities or “Worlds,” offer unique opportunities to UAlbany transfers who are campus residents and commuters, like:

- Living (if you choose to) and taking classes with students who like what you like,
- Enjoying special monthly meals with community friends and professors,
- Benefitting from academic support like study groups, review sessions, and tutors,
- Gaining exclusive access to alumni, guest speakers, and potential employers,
- Participating in off-campus trips and on-campus programs just for your World,
- And connecting with dedicated staff who work to make your community thrive!

What Our Transfers Are Saying

“Being part of a transfer community allowed me to share my fears and anxieties, excitement and hopes with other students who were in the same boat. It was a great experience!” - Alexa Giha

“Being a part of this world was the best! It helped us network, build our resumes, and prepare to be business professionals.” - Nora Petrucci and Amanda Nieto

“Living with other motivated transfer students, who have similar interests and courses puts transfer community students on a team where they can bring out the best in each other right from the start.” - Shane O’Neill

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# What courses do I register for?

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<td>Business &amp; Accounting</td>
<td>Register for UUNI 350 - class #7248 and discussion number 7249. These meet every Wednesday 12:35-1:30 and once a month on Mondays 12:35-1:30.</td>
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<td>Criminal Justice Professional Community</td>
<td>Register for CRJ 202 – class number 4486 and discussion number 4488. This is a 3-credit course which will count for your major. Class is MW 2:45-4:05, F 1:40-2:35. Also register for UUNI 350 - Class #9496 which meets on Fridays from 2:45-3:40. This is a 1-credit course which will also count within your CRJ major. This takes place F 2:45-3:40.</td>
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<td>Rock Professional Community</td>
<td>Register for RPAD/RPOS 329 - class #7236 which is a 3-credit course that will count toward your major. It meets on Tuesday 4:15-7:05. Register for discussion section, #7237 which will meet after class on Tuesdays from 7:15-8:15.</td>
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<td>Sociology Professional Community</td>
<td>Register for ASOC 220 – class #2366 which is a 3-credit course that counts for the major. It meets T TH 4:15-5:35. Register for the 0-credit UUNI 99 class #9638 that meets TH 5:45 - 6:40. This will be your weekly meal/meeting with your community for the first 8 weeks of the fall semester.</td>
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<td>Transfer Excellence</td>
<td>Register for the 0-credit UUNI 99 class #9495 &amp; discussion #8535. These meet MW 2:45-3:40. Monday is community service time; Wednesdays for the first 8 weeks of the semester are your weekly meal/meeting with the community. We will register for the 1-credit RSSW 291 (community service) class together at Community kick-off in August.</td>
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<td>UAlbany Transfer Experience</td>
<td>Register for the 0-credit UUNI 99 class #8535 which meets the first 8 weeks of the semester on Wednesdays from 2:45-3:40. This will be your weekly meal/meeting with your community.</td>
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# Why Join a Transfer Community?

- **Make first and lasting friendships!** Your transfer community will be your first small community within UAlbany's larger one! It can help reduce anxiety about meeting new people in a new environment.
- **Professional Development!** A major aspect of each community is networking which will help you in your field or as a student leader at the University. This experience will help you as you build your skills and experiences.
- **It’s fun!** Do everything that other UAlbany students do but ALSO have fun activities to do with your community. With all of these resources, you'll have a leg up on your peers!
- **Get leadership experience in your first semester!** By October, World Representatives from each community help guide our Transfer Community programming.
- **Get to know people OUTSIDE your Transfer Community!** Your Community Assistants arrange for you to connect with lots of campus clubs and organizations in your first few weeks on campus.
- **Get involved with community service!** All communities do community service together early in the fall semester, and each one can continue to participate in service projects of their choosing throughout the year.
- **Excel academically and socially!** Research shows that Transfer Community students are happier at UAlbany, are more satisfied with their college experience, have higher GPAs, have increased interaction with faculty members, and graduate on time in higher numbers than students who are not in a community during their first year.
Who Else is in Your World?

Being part of a Transfer Community provides YOU with an incredible family of supportive students and faculty.

**YOU!**
Transfer with similar interests who learn together (and if you choose) live together in a Transfer Community!

**World Representatives**
Members of your World who demonstrate strong leadership potential during your first semester.

**Community Assistants**
Upper-classmen or graduate students who help organize academic and social events for your World.

**Faculty Mentors**
Teach a class in the fall and meet weekly or monthly with students outside of class, often for lunch or dinner.

How Do I Register?

Registration is as easy as 1-2-3!

Once you are accepted into a Transfer Community AND have spoken to your advisor and obtained your AVN, you can register for your Transfer Community course(s)!

1. Login to MyUAlbany

2. Search for the class course number provided below for the Transfer Community you have joined.

3. Register for the course numbers for the community you were accepted into which are listed on the next page!

*If you have any issues registering for your Transfer Community Courses, email your Transfer Coordinator, Darlene Poirier, at dpoirier@albany.edu*
How Do I Apply?

The Transfer Community application will become available to you when you apply for Orientation as early as May 1st!

Applying is as easy!

1. Select the Transfer Community you would like to join from the dropdown list.

2. Tell us why you would like to be a member of the community you have chosen and how you can contribute to that community. You must agree to be active and engaged for your first semester.

Students who are selected to be members of their chosen Transfer Community will be notified via University at Albany e-mail beginning in mid-June.

Our Fall 2019 Timeline

NOW: Look for our current student leaders on the Facebook “UAlbany Transfer” page and find potential roommates if you choose to live on campus!

Early May: Apply online (when you sign up for Orientation).

Mid-June: Selection notices are sent via UAlbany e-mail.

June-August: If you are around, come to one of our many coffee hours! We will post dates, times and locations on the UAlbany Transfer page!

Thursday, August 22nd: Whether you are living on campus, or commuting, attend an exclusive Transfer Community Dinner & Kick-Off event, just for you! The next day will be Transfer Orientation and you can attend with the friends you made the night before!

First Day of Classes: Attend class and begin your UAlbany experience with friends you already know!
The **World of the UAlbany Transfer Experience** offers an incredible opportunity for students to connect with other transfer students while discovering how to become a successful student at UAlbany. This community is open to students who share a passion for learning more about campus life and the various ways to become, and stay, engaged on campus. By being in this World, students can explore their interests, skills, values, and personality traits while learning how to make the most of their college experience. You will take an 8-week, 0-credit, course to learn about UAlbany resources at UAlbany!

The **World of Transfer Excellence** is designed for new transfer students who have excelled academically at their previous institution and are now joining the UAlbany community. Through coursework, networking, community service and fun events, new transfer students are sure to quickly make friends and learn what it means to be a great, Great Dane. The World of Transfer Excellence is open to all majors who meet the GPA criteria and have received a letter of invitation. You will take an 8-week 0-credit course to learn about UAlbany resources with the World of UAlbany Transfer Experience, as well as a 1-credit community service course with your fellow community members!

The **World of Criminal Justice and Security for Transfers** is designed for new transfer students who are majoring or minoring in Criminal Justice or Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security and Cybersecurity. Students will participate in a class and co-curricular activities designed to prepare them for law school, graduate school, and careers in related fields. Students will participate in a variety of activities including: career panels, mock trials, and discussions with UAlbany alumni attending law school. You will take a course together that will count for your major, as well as a discussion section to learn more about different resources and opportunities in Criminal Justice!

The **World of Business and Accounting for Transfers** is for incoming transfer students who are planning to major in business or accounting. Students in this community take a 1-credit seminar on business and accounting with their fellow community members, and are introduced to the academic and social expectations of a career in business through co-curricular activities like resume building, networking, study groups, interview skills and sessions on the different concentrations in the business school.

The **World of Rock Professional Community for Transfers** provides a unique opportunity for new transfer students who share a passion for politics, government, and public policy to learn together in a fun community. Membership in this Community is a great way to get to know faculty who specialize in this field and to learn more about UAlbany resources that can help you be a successful student. Members of this community will participate in activities like field trips to the capitol and tours of NYS legislative buildings. You will take a course together that will count for your major, as well as a discussion section to learn more about different resources and opportunities in Political Science or Public Policy!

The **World of Sociology Professional Community for New Transfers** provides a unique opportunity for transfer students who share a passion for sociology to learn together in a fun community on campus. Membership in this community is a great way to get to know faculty who specialize in this field and to learn more about University resources that you can utilize to be a successful student at UAlbany. You will take a course together that will count for your major, as well as an 8-week discussion section to learn more about different resources at UAlbany!

**Instructions on how to sign up and register for a community are at the end of this pamphlet!**