**VOLUME 1** 

ISSUF 1

2011

AN INFORMATIVE NEWSLETTER FOR THE TRANSFER CENTER AT HAROLD WASHINGTON COLLEGE

### A Note from the Transfer Center Director

Hello fabulous students. administration, faculty, advisors, and staff of the City College of Chicago. Welcome to Transfer-Mation, the edition first of the Harold Washington College Transfer Center Newsletter. This publication will highlight tips for making a seamless transfer from HWC to four-year institutions along with Alumni Updates and spotlights on current students including transfer plans. I call the Newsletter Transfer-Mation for two reasons. First, it provides you with Transfer Information. Second, the Newsletter indicates that students in higher

education are making a symbolic "Transfer-Mation" in their lives. Our students at HWC are constantly growing and changing. Transfer-Mation will continue beyond CCC as well! We in the City Colleges of Chicago are proud of our students, and this newsletter highlights their accomplishments in the City Colleges personally, professionally, and of course, academically. We look forward to our students receiving degrees, promotions, and accolades throughout their entire lives!

-Ellen Goldberg

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

Reception for Smith College and Mount Holyoke College: Monday, October 17, 2011

Transfer/ Career Symposium:
Monday, October 31Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Fall 2011 Transfer Fair: Wednesday, November 9, 2011



## \*Services in the Transfer Center...

The Transfer Center is located in room 101B. In the Transfer Center, students can do the following:

- \* Make an appointment to talk about transfer to four-year institutions
- \* Get up to three application fee waivers to apply to three schools. Students are only qualified if their Estimated Family Contribution for Financial Aid is zero.
- \* Inquire about scholarships and how to fund your education after graduating from the City Colleges of Chicago.
- \* Sign up for Transfer Center Events or connect with admissions representatives from various institutions.

## \*\*\*HWC Alumni Updates:

# Students who have found success at CCC and beyond! Read below as they share their inspirational stories.

I like UIC. I transferred there for Philosophy in spring 2011 after getting my Associate of Arts. The Philosophy department at UIC is really pretty good. It is in the top 30 in the country so my degree has a lot of weight. Everything is fine. I'm doing well academically and I'm hoping to attend graduate school after my bachelors. - Miguel Furlong

I just finished my first year at the University of Denver and have decided to major in political science. If all goes well, I will be graduating next spring. I am taking the LSATs in October so hopefully I will be applying to Law Schools next year. Thanks for your email and congrats on the promotion.

I transferred to Smith College last fall, 2010, from HWC. I just finished my first year at Smith, which went so very well!! I am majoring in Anthropology and getting my certificate in Ethnomusicology. I am going to be graduating from Smith next summer, and I simply cannot believe how quickly time has gone by so far. It has been incredible. - Sarah Godel

"I am going to be graduating from Smith next summer, and I simply cannot believe how quickly time has gone by so far. It has been incredible."

Sarah Godel

My name is Kenya White. I remember speaking to you about transferring to UIC in the fall 2010, which I have done. I am currently still there with a major in Business Management. I recently graduated from HWC this May 2011. -Kenya White

My name is Debra Watson, and my daughter is Jasmin Watson. We are both graduates of Harold Washington College. Jasmin completed the classes in Early Childhood Education. This training was instrumental in her getting a teaching position for which she was well prepared, and she is doing well.

Upon graduation from Harold Washington, we enrolled in Governors State University, and I am thrilled to report that we both graduated this past June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011!

Jasmin has plans to pursue her graduate degree, and I have already received a promotion from my current employer. In addition, I have been offered a position as a Bank Examiner with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFBP). It is the new agency created under the President's Financial Reform Act. This is a huge promotion for me, and I am overjoyed with my new status.

Attending classes with my daughter and receiving degrees has been a wonderful and unique experience! It was a journey of a lifetime, and I am so very proud of my daughter and myself!- Debra Watson & Jasmin Watson

"Attending classes with my daughter and receiving degrees has been a wonderful and unique experience! It was a journey of a lifetime, and I am so very proud of my daughter and myself!"

Debra Watson & Jasmin Watson

I am still at the Illinois Institute of Technology studying Secondary Education-Math. I have another year of coursework, then a semester of student teaching, so I will be done (knock on wood) as of fall 2012! Things are great at IIT! Thank you so much for all of your help and support with getting here! - Catherine Newman

I came to you in the fall of 2009, and I transferred to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. I am currently still attending the school; I am a sophomore at the university.

Yes, I like school; it's very cool living the campus life. I'm in the band, and things are going well. I will be leaving to go back to school the 2nd week of August for band camp.

The transition from HWC to Arkansas wasn't bad at all. I caught on easily, and I have been doing well so far. I really appreciate everything you have done for me, without you I would still be in Chicago looking for a way out. - Lauren Weil

"I really appreciate everything you have done for me, without you I would still be in Chicago looking for a way out."

Lauren Weil

I am an HWC graduate completed and conferred with an AGS in spring of 2011. I then transferred to UIC where I completed my BA in Urban and Public Affairs. Now, I have been accepted into 2 graduate programs. One at UIC, an MPA (Master's in Public Administration) program and the other in Toulouse, France, an MBA in International Management.

- Brian Martin

I graduated from HWC with my Associate of Arts and transferred to the Illinois Institute of Technology. I'm currently an undergrad there studying Electrical Engineering. I think I do want to study for a Masters, but have not fully decided yet. As I get closer to graduation from IIT, I will know.

- Henri Idrovo

## Transfer Tips 101:

In the book by Steven Covey, *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, it states to "begin with the end in mind." The same goes for a successful transfer.

Community College students have lots of responsibilities that often include children, a job, family obligations, and of course, excelling with their rigorous amounts of coursework all at the same time. Students should always be very intentional with their transfer process.

By picking three to five schools, students can plan out what classes they need for a degree and also what classes they need for transfer. That means that students, with the help of their advisors and Transfer Advisors, should plan out the right path to transfer and graduation that will help them be able to complete their General Education Core Curriculum, transfer to their dream school as a junior, and be able to focus on their major. In addition, they will only take classes that they know transferrable to their institution of their choice by following the transfer guides.

Studies show that students who receive an Associate Degree are more likely to receive their bachelors. By getting an Associate Degree, students will have taken 60 Credits which is the number that most schools will accept from a community college.

Finishing the sixty credits in the City Colleges of Chicago provides students with an affordable, accessible, quality education. Likewise, students from the City Colleges of Chicago transfer to prestigious institutions all over the United States and in the world.

-Ellen Goldberg



### Oh, the Places You'll Go! (1990) Dr. Seuss

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

#### **SPECIAL THANKS:**

Thanks to Matt Belinski, my Graduate Student Intern from Loyola University, for helping with this Newsletter. Thanks also to Associate Dean Robert Brown and my colleagues for supporting me in the Transfer Center always, to President Laackman for his vision of what a Transfer Center can be, to David Locke for his help in Reprographics, and to Heather Shevitz and Daniel Hayes for giving me their artistic stamps of approval. Last but not least, thanks to the students for making my job so rewarding! ©

## Upcoming Fall Transfer Center Events at HWC:

\*\*Campus Visit to the School of the Art Institute- Chicago (SAIC) Friday, October 7, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

\*\*Information Session for Smith College and Mount Holyoke College, Monday, October 17, 2011 3:00 – 4:00 p.m., Room 102

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs (CUPPA) Information Session

Tuesday, October 18, 2011 11:00 a.m. -12:20 p.m., Room 1031

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs (CUPPA) Information Session

Wednesday, October 19, 2011 12:30 p.m. -1:50 p.m., Room 1031

\*\*Campus Visit to Shimer College with Great Books Students Friday, October 21, 2011 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.

\*\*Information Session for the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD) Wednesday, October 26, 2011 3:30-5:15 p.m. Room 806

**Transfer/ Career Symposium**October 31-November 2, 2011
Room 102 (Times TBA)

Fall 2011 Transfer Fair Wednesday, November 9, 2011 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Room 102, 103

\*\*Please RSVP to Ellen Goldberg, the Director of the Transfer Center, at egoldberg1@ccc.edu.



Transfer Center
30 E Lake St. | Room 101B

Director of Transfer Center:
Ellen Goldberg
Egoldberg1@ccc.edu
312-553-5778

Find us on
Facebook
HWC Transfer Center

