SUNY Transfer Equivalency Platform Informational Webinar

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Recent

- Announcement on August 1
  - Campus Presidents
  - Campus Provosts / CAOs
  - CIOs, CTOs, Information Technology
  - Chief Enrollment Officers, Admissions
  - Registrars
  - Institutional Research
  - Listservs Related to Advising, Transfer Support,
  - Transfer Task Force
- Readiness Survey Due on August 20
- Immediately Beginning to Develop Cohorts Based on Surveys
- Developing a Campus-Level Communication Plan for Updates

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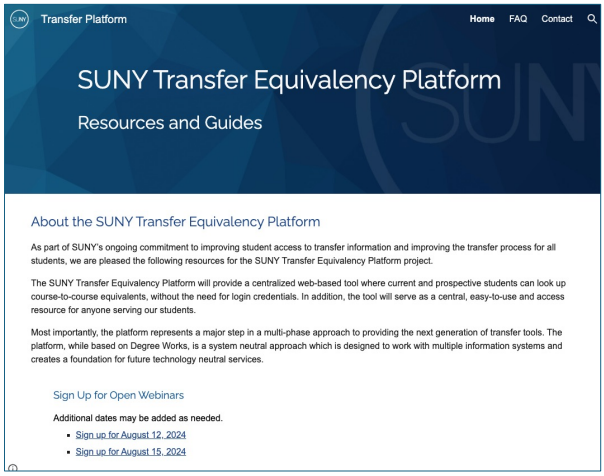
New Resources



- Prior Presentations
- Documents
- Survey Access
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Additional Updates

sunytransfer.org/resources

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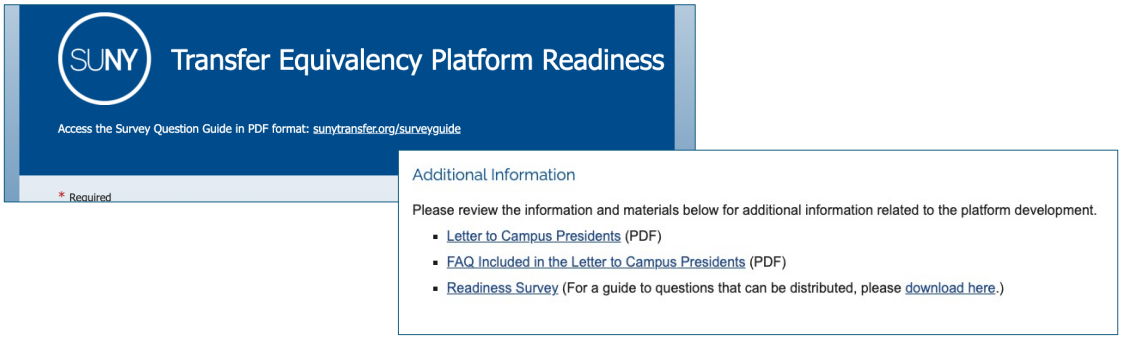
Readiness Survey

- This is a new survey as of Aug 1.
- All Resources: https://sunytransfer.org/resources (https://sites.google.com/suny.edu/transfer-equiv-platform)



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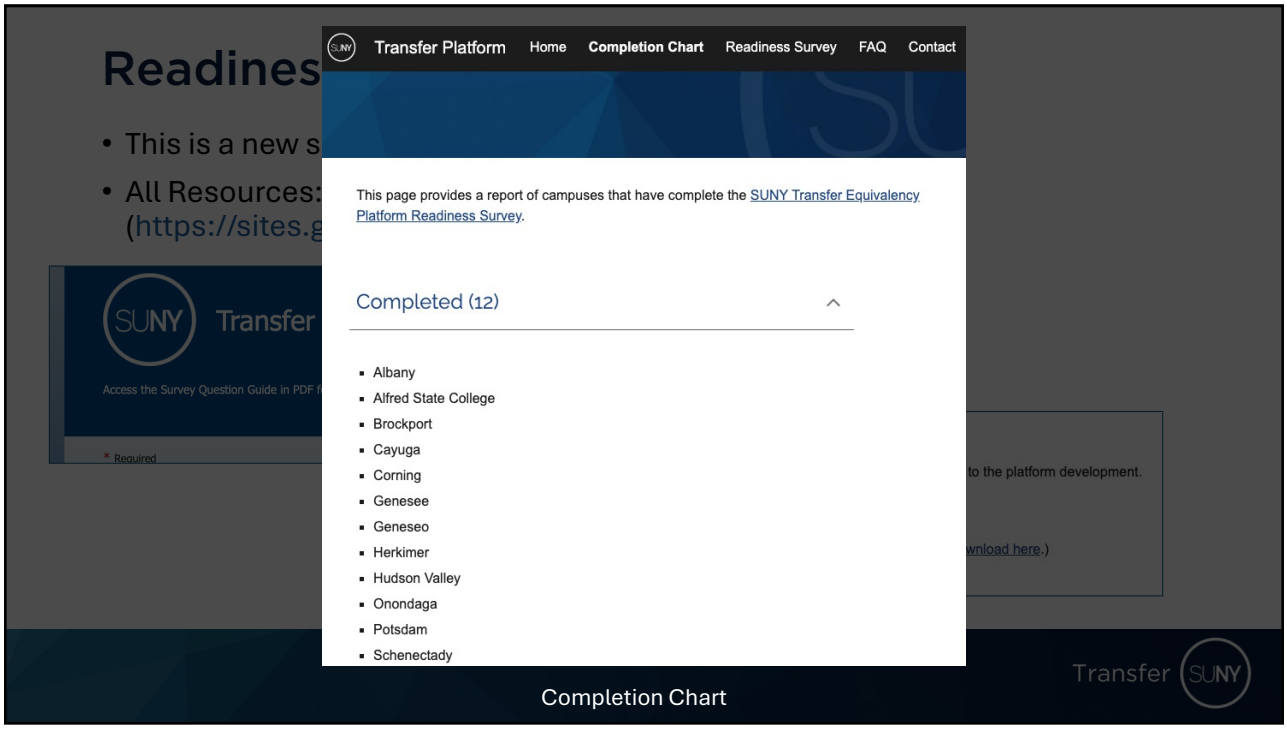

Completion Chart

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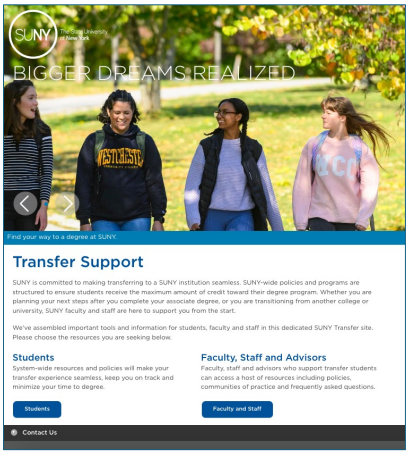
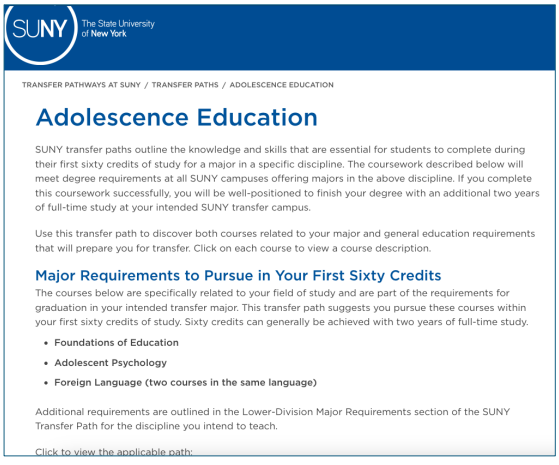
Portal Updates





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Changes in Architecture / Scope

- Principle: Develop a simple foundational platform with minimized campus impact.
- No longer requires TESS implementation.
- Existing campus equivalencies can be used.
- Most campuses will maintain information in their SIS as normal.
- Central server and application, without additional Transfer Equivalency Software implementations on campus.

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Transfer Equiv Self Service Implementations

- Full Implementation is Optional and Still Open
- 11 Campuses Engaged with SICAS to Develop TESS / TReq
- Basic TESS / TReq is Already Installed/Configured on DW Instances
- Some Basic Configuration will be Required for the SUNY Transfer Equivalency Platform
- Will resume optional implementations after STEP Implementation

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What Is the Transfer Equivalency Platform?

- SUNY Transfer Equivalency Platform based on the new Degree Works Transfer Equivalency Lookup
- Aggregates Transfer Equivalencies Using New SUNY and Ellucian Developed Degree Works Functions
- Uses Existing Data in the SIS and/or Degree Works
- Degree Works and TESS/TREQ is the Foundation

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Ellucian Transfer Equivalency Lookup

- Allows users to view course equivalents without logging in.
- Designed for a system of Degree Works schools.
- Extends the configuration to collect transfer mappings from each institution and display them to the user in one interface.
- Transfer Equivalency Lookup is designed to be run on the central server.
- An application is deployed in server and serves as the primary entry point.

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SUNY's Goals and Expectations

- Designed to Be an Incremental and Foundational Tool
- Provides a Means to Align Data and Practices
- Simple Functionality
- Not Designed to be a Replacement Tool for Transfer Degree Plans
- Can Replace Campus Tools, But Not Required

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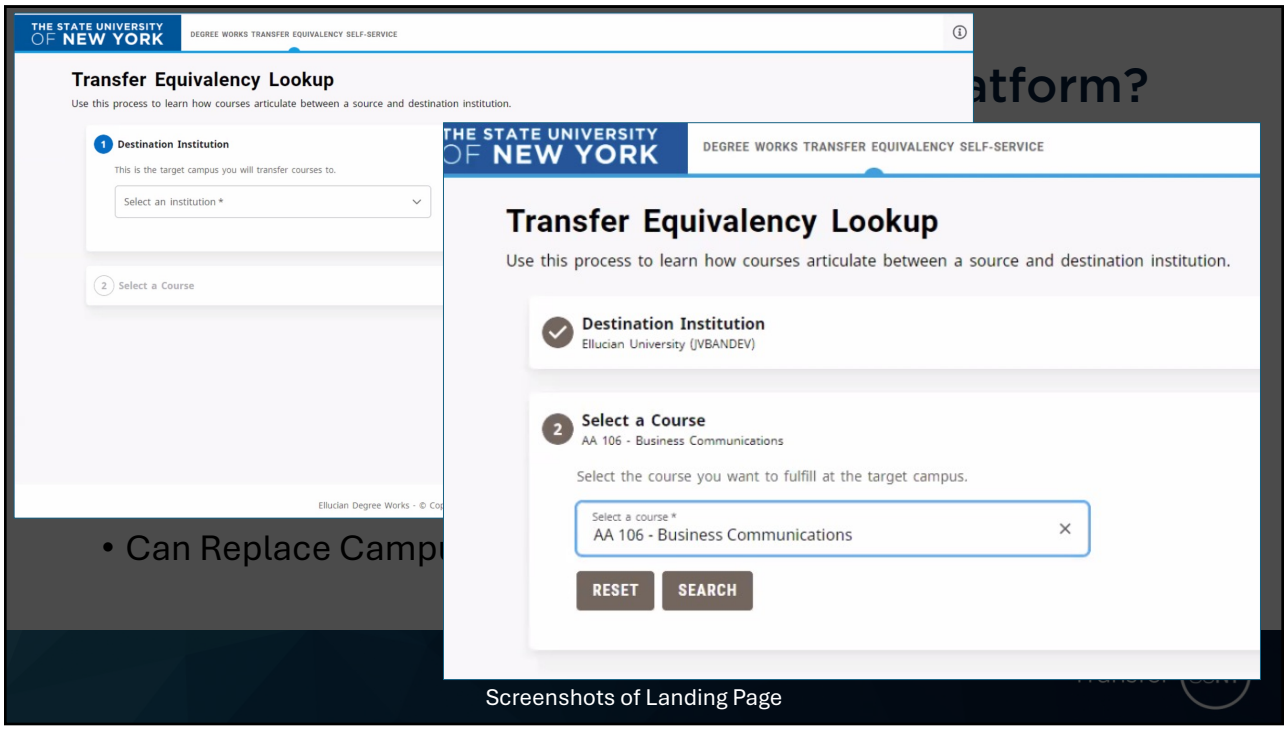

Screenshots of Landing Page

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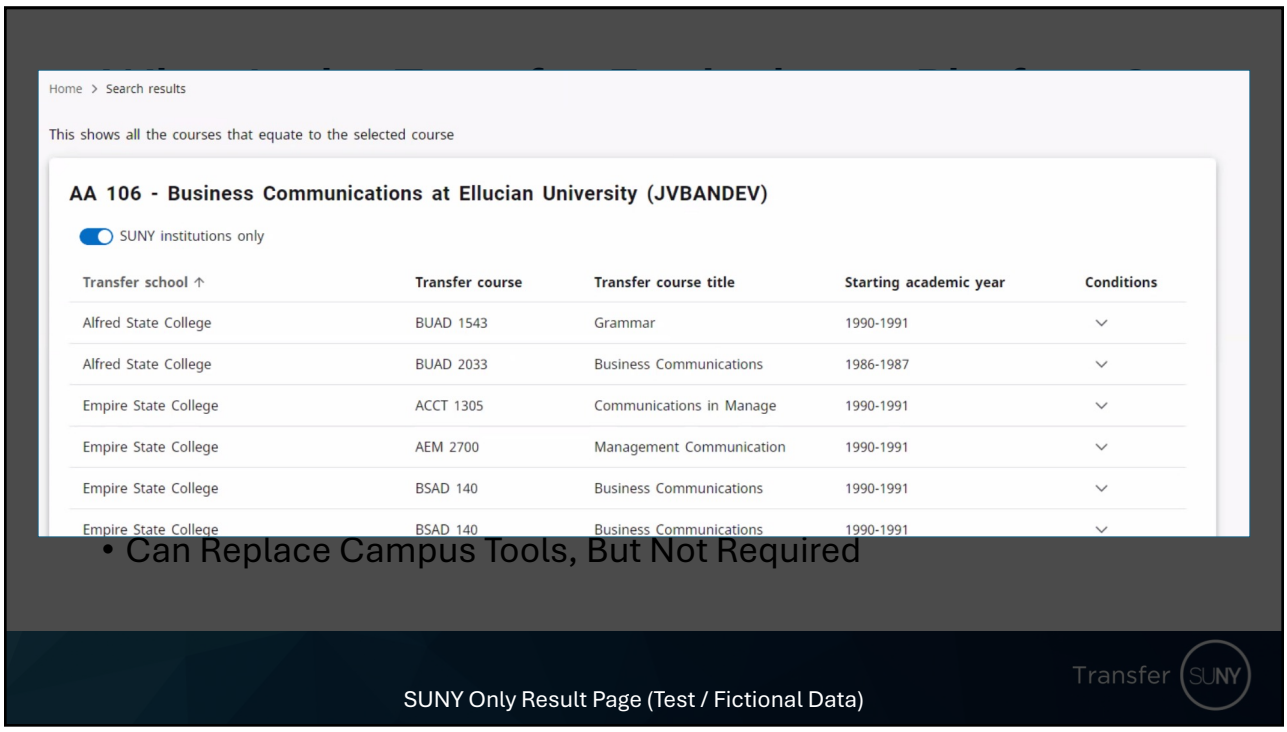

SUNY Only Result Page (Test / Fictional Data)

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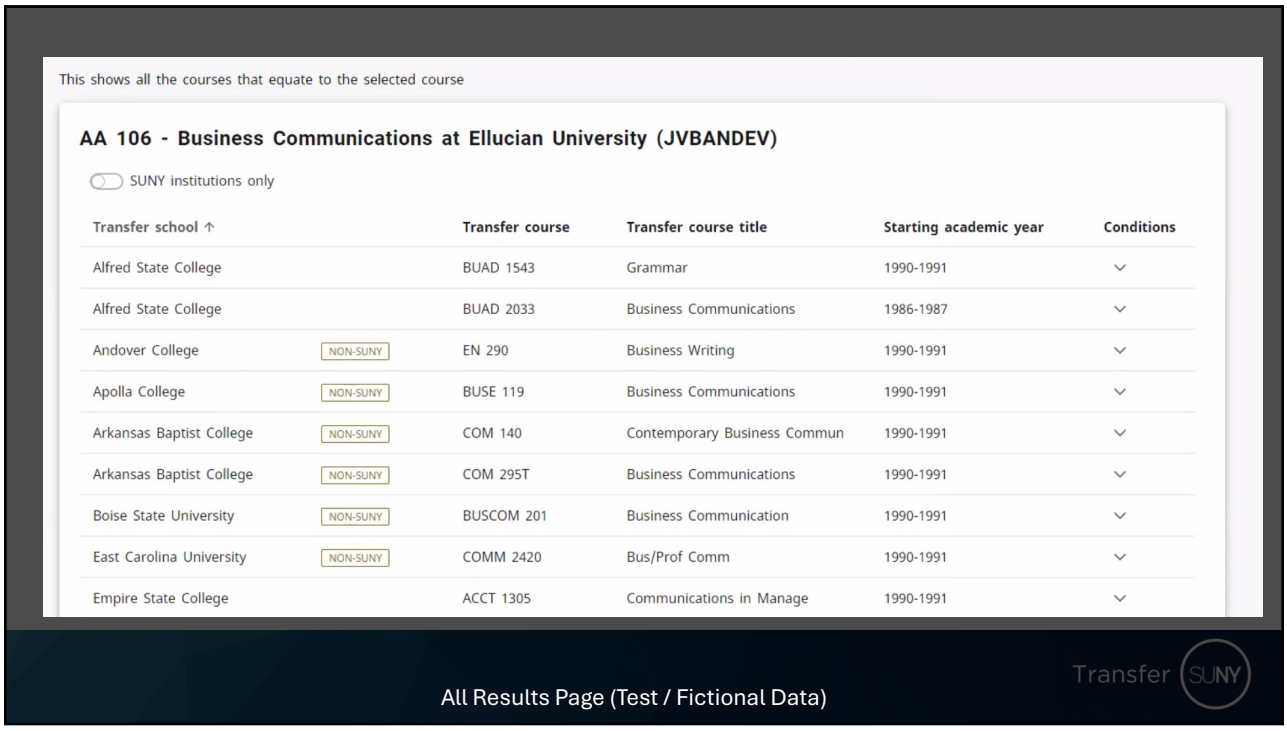

All Results Page (Test / Fictional Data)

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What Is the Transfer Equivalency Platform?

Transfer school ↑	Transfer course
Alfred State College	BUAD 1543
A minimum of 3.000 credits is needed for BUAD 1543. A maximum of 3.000 credits is allowed for BUAD 1543. A minimum grade of C is needed for BUAD 1543. Intended School = UN	
Alfred State College	BUAD 2023

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Detail (Test / Fictional Data)

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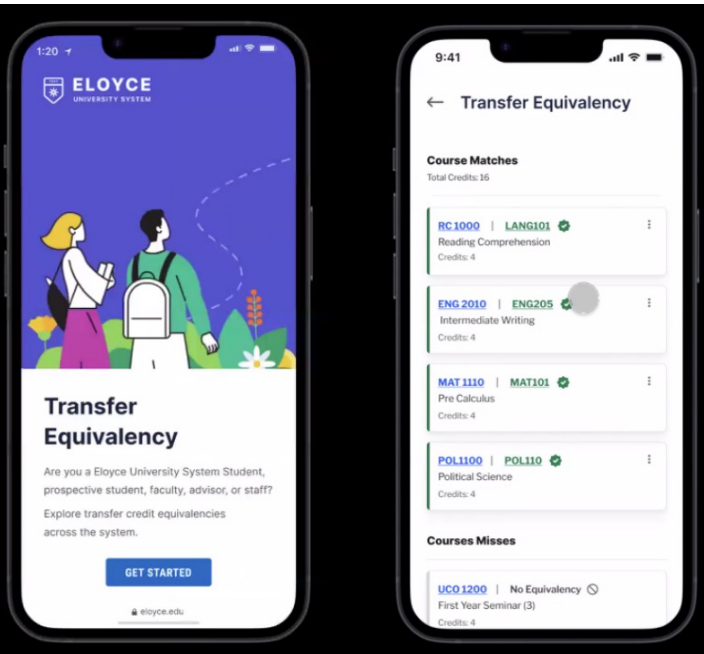

Responsive, Mobile Friendly and ADA Compliant

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Data Provision (Simplified)

- Campuses who have implemented Degree Works, with transfer equivalencies importing, are already positioned to implement.
- Campuses who have implemented Degree Works, where transfer equivalencies are not present, may require additional configuration and/or data entry.
- Campuses who have not implemented Degree Works will provide data through other means.

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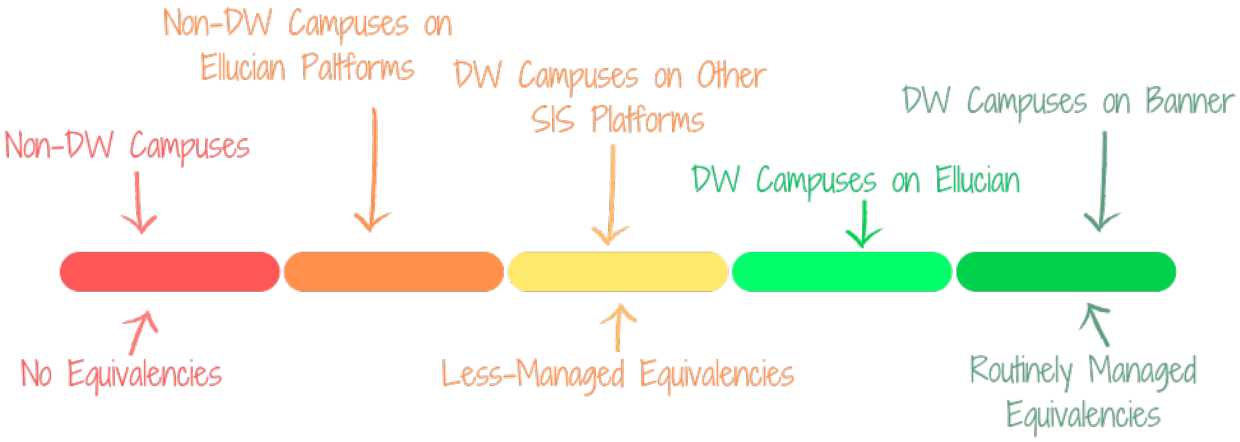
Continuity of Readiness



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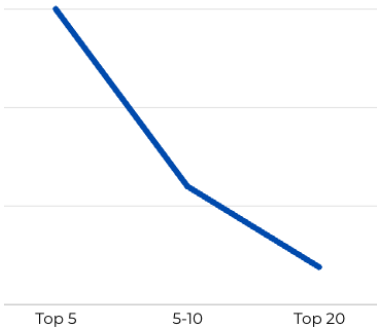
Initial Rollout Prioritization

- **Four-Year SUNY Institutions**
  - All institutions are critical to the success of this tool
  - Will initially prioritize four-year equivalencies and setup due to the focus on vertical transfer.

- **Top Relationships**
  - Focus will be on top 5 schools that you have the greatest relationships with.



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System Setup

- No additional installations needed at the campus level.*

- SICAS, SUNY and campuses will work together during cohort rollouts to set up and configure systems.
  - Some local campus values are needed (e.g. semesters/terms).

- Non-Degree Works Schools / Other Sources:
  - Will need to determine the approach directly with the schools.
  - Will still use the Degree Works platform to support STEP.

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System Status

- Install in a DEV Environment for Initial Testing and Setup (August-September)
- Cohorts Will be Developed After Aug 20 Readiness Survey Deadline
- Cohort Work Will Begin to Tailor and Prepare Records
- Work Will Focus on Cleaning Records for Well-Positioned Schools
- Production Install TBD Based on Readiness and Testing

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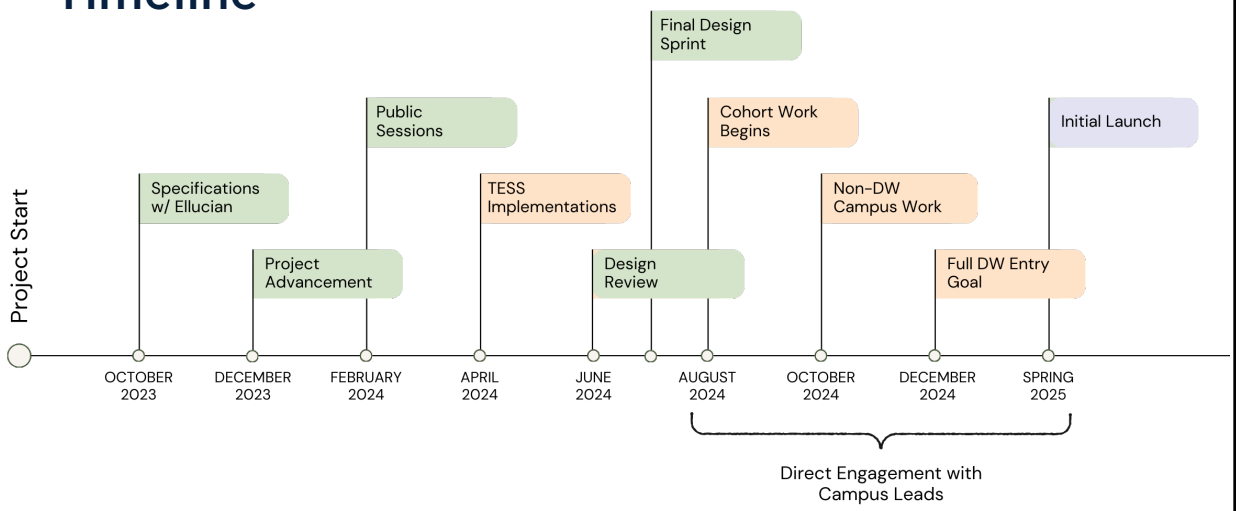
Timeline



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Record Inclusion / Exclusion

- Records that are expired (end-dated) are not included.
  - Beginning of time to end of time may be acceptable, depending on the status of the records.
- Attributes used to restrict specific records:
  - Test campuses requested to test record exclusion.
  - Common attributes shall be used (will coordinate with campuses).
  - Will assess the ability/need to update records en masse (not preferred).

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Data Entry and Updating

- No or Outdated Transfer Equivalencies in the SIS?
  - Data entry help will be available to campuses.
  - Will work with campuses during the cohort period and will develop cohorts based on needs to develop common best practices.
  - Primary focus on top relationships and agreements that are critical to the campus.

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Questions?

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See Also:
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