

# IMPACT NEWS

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## GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP: A SUMMER STUDY TOUR FOR TRIO COLLEGE STUDENTS

2019 KEITH SHERIN GLOBAL LEADERS PROGRAM

JUNE 30—JULY 21, 2019

DEN HAAG, NETHERLANDS

Next summer, a group of 15 TRIO SSS and McNair students will have the opportunity to study peace and justice in The Hague, Netherlands.

### The Program

Spend the first two weeks studying at The Hague Summer School, a cutting-edge modular set of courses, which looks at solving global issues by connecting the public and private sectors. There is no better place to learn and practice world citizenship than in The Hague, the International City of Peace and Justice, and the political, cultural heart of the Netherlands.

The third week is devoted to learning about the Netherlands' social and educational context with a specific focus on higher education and cultural diversity in theory and practice. Under the auspices of ECHO, the Center for Diversity Policy, students will visit schools, universities, and cultural sites in Amsterdam and Rotterdam and meet student leaders representing migrant communities.

This program will be accredited by The Hague University of Applied Sciences. All instruction is in English.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

- **Participants in TRIO SSS or McNair**
- **Students in good academic and social standing**
- **Students with sophomore or junior status**
- **Students with demonstrated leadership potential**
- **Students who have never traveled or studied abroad**

### COST AND DEADLINES

**Refundable deposit of \$500 due with application by February 15, 2019. Total program fee: \$2,500.**

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20 years from now  
you WILL be more  
DISAPPOINTED BY THE  
THINGS YOU DIDN'T  
DO THAN BY THE  
ONES YOU DID DO.

- Mark Twain

# ACADEMIC TOOLBOX



## 10 Tips for Transferring from Community College

### 1. Complete your

**associate's degree.** National research shows that community college students who finish their degree program complete the baccalaureate at a much higher rate than those students who transfer with simply a grab bag of credits.

**2. Shop around.** Examine all of the options available to you as a transfer student. Examine both public and private four-year institutions to decide what will be the best fit for you. The four-year institution that you had your heart set on in high school might not ultimately be the best choice for the major you want to pursue.

**3. Plan ahead.** The earlier you begin to prepare for transfer, the better. Visit your top choices, collect transfer materials, and find out if there are any transfer agreements between where you are and where you want to go. The more information that you have, the easier it will be to make a decision.

**4. Know what actually transfers.** Make sure you are picking courses that are transferable to colleges and universities. There are web sites, tools, and advisors at both community colleges and universities to help you choose wisely.

**5. Don't be shy.** Meet regularly with advisors at the community college. Keep your advisor informed of your transfer plans, and as transfer approaches, set a time to meet with an advisor at your target institution. If you try to navigate this process without the help of advisers, you might not be able to maximize your community college courses.

**6. Choose a major.** Pick your major early, and seek advice about the best courses to take to meet requirements. By choosing your major early, you can take the prerequisites that you need for that program at the university. Well-planned course taking will help you finish your transfer program more efficiently, saving you time and money in the long run.

**7. Get admitted.** Make sure that you apply to both the institution as well as the program that you want to attend at that institution. If you get admitted to the university, it often does not mean that you are admitted to the specific program that you want to study, like engineering or nursing. Make sure you complete those application materials, too. The deadlines for the university admissions materials and the program admissions materials might be different. Do your

**8. Make them show you the money.** Fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) if you have not done so already. Call the university admission's office to see if it has scholarships set aside for transfer students—many institutions do. Make sure that you meet all of the deadlines for financial aid. Otherwise, you might miss out on assistance that is available to you.

**9. Attend orientation.** You might think that you do not need this because you already are a college student. But navigating the university is different. Take advantage of the opportunities that the universities have created for transfer students. These orientations will help ease the transfer process.

**10. Stay focused.** This one is easy to forget. Whether it's your associate's or bachelor's degree we're talking about, finishing on time is not easy. But it can be done if you are focused and work hard. Keep your goal in mind even when you're working in your hardest class, which you don't much like. It will all pay off.



## SHOW ME THE MONEY!

# Tax Guide for College Students

**Dependency Status:** You are away at school and you are washing your own laundry, working at a job, and finally living on your own. You are independent, right? While you may love your independence, you may still be considered a dependent.

Students and parents need to have a conversation to establish dependency status. If you are a student and your parents are claiming you as a dependent, you are not eligible to claim deductions or credits yourself. So before you file, confirm whether or not your parents will be claiming you as a dependent on their taxes this year.

According to the IRS, your parents can claim you as a dependent until you are 19, but once you're a student, that dependency status can be extended until you're 24. If this is the case, you can still file taxes, but you need to indicate that someone else can claim you as a dependent on your tax return and you cannot claim any credits or deductions your parents are already taking.

**Forms:** One form you will need to file taxes is your W-2 form if you worked in the year 2018. If you worked a qualified job on campus as part of work-study, you will receive a W-2 and will report this on your taxes. You will also need your 1098-T form, which can be found in your Tiger Connect account. Depending on your family circumstances, the 1098-T and other education credits may be used by yourself or your parents.

You might not need to file a tax return if your income is not above a certain amount depending on your filing status. If you worked during the past tax year, you should file a 1040 or 1040A tax form. Filing Form 1040EZ means you cannot claim any education credits. However, your parents may be able to use the education credits. Education credits include interest paid on student loans, Lifetime Learning credit, and American Opportunity credit.

Out-of-state students might have earned income in two states. If you are working at school, but maintain a job at home during summer or holiday breaks, you will need to file a tax return in both states.

**Recommended Online Tax Sites for Students:** There are several free tax websites you can use to file your taxes. These include Turbo Tax, H & R Block, and ESmart Tax.

Depending on your filing status and yearly income, you may not be required by law to file a return with the IRS. However, even if you do not have to file, it may still be in your best interest to submit a tax return because even though you may not owe any income taxes, you may be eligible to receive a refundable credit.

If you would like guidance please make an appointment with Roxanna James, IMPACT Director, and she will be glad to help.

*Taken from The Simple Dollar: Tax Guide for College Students*



# CAREERCORNER

## Mathematicians and Statisticians

Mathematicians and statisticians analyze data and apply mathematical and statistical techniques to help solve real-world problems in business, engineering, healthcare, or other fields. Many work in federal government and in private science and engineering research companies. Mathematicians and statisticians work in many fields, such as education, marketing, psychology, sports, or any other field that requires the collection and analysis of data. In particular, government, healthcare, and research and development companies employ many statisticians.

<b>Degree Level</b>	Minimum master's degree in mathematics or statistics.
<b>Job Outlook</b>	33% growth 2016-2026
<b>Annual Salary</b>	May 2017 Median annual wage for mathematicians \$103,000. Median annual wage for statisticians \$84,600.
<b>Titles</b>	In the computer systems design and related services industries, they may be known as computer programmers or systems analysts. In finance, they may be known as quantitative analysts. Other industries may refer to them as data scientists or data analysts.
<b>Key Skills</b>	<p><b>Analytical skills.</b> They must determine the appropriate software packages and understand computer programming languages to design and develop new techniques and models. They must also be precise and accurate in their analysis.</p> <p><b>Communication skills.</b> Mathematicians and statisticians must interact with, and propose solutions to, people who may not have extensive knowledge of mathematics.</p> <p><b>Math skills.</b> Mathematicians and statisticians use statistics, calculus, and linear algebra to develop their models and analyses.</p> <p><b>Problem-solving skills.</b> Mathematicians and statisticians must devise new solutions to problems encountered by scientists or engineers.</p>

### Summary

Mathematicians and statisticians apply theories and techniques, such as mathematical or statistical modeling, to solve practical problems. Typically, they work with individuals in other occupations to solve these problems. For example, they may work with chemists, materials scientists, and chemical engineers to analyze the effectiveness of new drugs. Others may work with industrial designers to study the aerodynamic characteristics of new automobiles.

To work on these problems, mathematicians and statisticians must first collect data. Statisticians design surveys, questionnaires, experiments, and opinion polls to collect the data they need. Some surveys, such as the U.S. census, include data from nearly everyone. For most surveys and opinion polls; however, statisticians use a sampling method to collect data from some people in a particular group. Statisticians determine the type and size of the sample to be surveyed or polled. After the data is collected, mathematicians and statisticians use specialized statistical software to analyze data. In their analyses, mathematicians and statisticians identify trends and relationships within the data. Some may help create new software to analyze data more accurately and efficiently. Mathematicians and statisticians present the findings from their analyses and discuss the data's limitations in order to prevent inaccurate conclusions from being drawn. They may present written reports, tables, charts, and graphs to other team members and to clients.

		January					2019
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14 Classes Start	15 Late Night Tutoring	16	17 Late Night Tutoring	18	19	
20	21 MLK Day College Closed	22 Late Night Tutoring	23	24 Late Night Tutoring		26	
27	28 Student Senate	29 Late Night Tutoring	30	31 Late Night Tutoring			

- Student Senate Meeting in the Presidential Dining Hall in the café at 6 p.m. Students can only earn one point for attending a student senate meeting.

\*\*\*All events in orange boxes are IMPACT point eligible

**LATE CALENDAR ADDITION: January 29 at 7 p.m. Writing Center Workshop Personal Statements**  
**Point eligible**

**MONTHLY MEETINGS BEGIN IN FEBRUARY!**

**Schedule on Setmore**



# February

# 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 Student Senate	Late Night Tutoring 5	6	7 NO LATE NIGHT TUTORING Last sign up day for Hutchinson trip.	8 Inservice College Closed	9
10	11	Late Night Tutoring 12 Finance Speaker Noon	13 Writing Center Workshop 7pm	Late Night Tutoring 14	15	16
17	18	Late Night Tutoring 19 Cultural Enrichment Hutchinson	20	Late Night Tutoring 21	22	23
24	25 Writing Center Workshop 7pm	Late Night Tutoring 26	27	Late Night Tutoring 28		

- Student Senate Meeting will take place in the Presidential Dining Hall in the café at 6 p.m.
- Finance Speaker 12:00 to 12:45 in the President's Dining Room. Grab your lunch and listen to great information. Students who earned SGA money must attend. Checks will be given after the presentation is over.
- Writing Center Workshop, February 13 at 7 p.m. Tweet Your Thesis
- Cultural Enrichment includes attending the Dillon Lecture Series featuring Dr. Rick Rigsby. We will enjoy lunch at Carriage Crossing and then tour the Salt Mine. Mandatory sign up by February 7, 2019.
- Writing Center Workshop, February 25 at 7 p.m. Conquer the Comma

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# SCHOLARSHIPSAVING\$

PLAN OF ACTION	NEED TO KNOW	DEADLINES AND TIMES
Determine where you want to go	Go on a transfer visit	
Apply	Many application fees can be waived with a Trio form. Ask IMPACT staff.	Check for the priority timeline. Many are February 1.
Apply for multiple scholarships	There are many options available. Make sure you are aware of deadlines Transfer, Academic, PTK, Activity, Endowment or Foundation are a few	Some admission applications are automatic scholarship applications. Check to see what other scholarships are available and the timeline.
Apply for housing or start looking for apartments	Compare your living options. Remember, if you live off campus, you will have bills.	Many universities offer a variety of housing options including traditional dorm, apartment style, etc. Have a plan in place to pay your bills.
Send your official transcript	You may have to send an official transcript at time of application. You can get an unofficial transcript from your Tiger Connect account. You <b>MUST</b> send an official transcript after final semester.	When sending official <u>final</u> transcript, check the box that states hold for final grades. Cowley charges \$6.00 for each transcript sent.
Look into your TRIO options	Kansas schools include KSU, ESU, WSU, and KU	
Have your FAFSA completed	Add your new school to your completed FAFSA.	
Enroll at your new College!	Make sure you are ready for the enrollment dates.	

## SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT AID - SGA

SGA money will be available for the second semester. You **MUST** fill out an application by February 28. The same rules will apply that a student must be a Pell grant recipient and have unmet need. Students cannot have earned more than 65 credit hours. Earning points will be the determining factor. Students earn points by attending a monthly meeting, attend an IMPACT approved event, graduating in May 2019 or enrolling at Cowley for fall 2019. Point deadline will be April 12, 2019 and checks will be issued the first week in May. Grades will not count for points in the spring semester. Students must earn a minimum of **eight** points to be considered. Students who earned money in the fall 2018 semester can earn additional funds in the spring if they meet the above requirements. Students who are earning money for the second time this school year, may receive less than \$600.00 in the spring semester. Amounts

## Contact IMPACT Underground

The IMPACT office is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. We also have extended hours on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. On these Evenings, we have a tutor who specializes in math and science.

Remember, tutoring is always free!



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