

Hello Advisors,

This is a follow-up to last week's announcement from Juan Garcia, Vice President for Instruction, that Undergraduate Council has approved his request to continue accepting Intermediate Algebra courses by transfer through Spring 2010. Results of the assessment of the small pilot group--students who completed Pima College MAT 122, on the UA campus in Fall 2007 and Spring 08--were inconclusive. The data didn't show that the students who received transfer credit were more successful in their subsequent UA MATH courses, or that they were retained for their second year at higher levels than the control group who did not receive transfer credit; on the other hand, students in the pilot fared no worse than students who took MAT 122 prior to Summer 2007 when the course was non-transferable. The numbers were too small to show a difference. While the 1-year extension of the Pilot is in place, more data will be gathered and assessed so that a final decision can be made in Spring 2010.

Both the AZ Course Equivalency Guide (CEG) and DARS Transfer Articulation (TA) will continue to show that Intermediate Algebra courses are transferable for general elective credit (not MATH credit). The course is accepted by transfer from all accredited institutions, as long as it is taken between Summer 2007 and Spring 2010.

If you have any questions on the extension of this pilot, please let me know.

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