



Barstow Community College

Transfer & Career Center

FEBRUARY 2019



The Transfer & Career Center presents

University Preview Day

This event will provide students, staff, & faculty with the opportunity to hear from multiple university representatives about majors offered, campus diversity, clubs & what makes their campus unique. Don't miss it!

Lunch will be provided to all attendees!

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Location: Performing Arts Center

11:15am-1:00pm-Presentations

1:00pm-2:00pm- Mini Fair

1:00pm-2:00pm- Lunch

Questions? Contact us at transfer@barstow.edu

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FACULTY SPOTLIGHT—DR KRISTINA ROBERTS



Please tell me a little bit about yourself?

I have a Bachelor's Degree in Social Psychology from Park University, a Master's Degree in Educational Counseling from University of La Verne, and a Doctorate Degree in Psychology from Capella University. I have taught for Barstow College for 21 years this June. I love teaching, and find that it enhances my other work as well. In addition to teaching, I am a clinical and forensic psychologist, and have my own private practice. I conduct training nationally and internationally about suicide prevention, domestic violence, and psychological testing (as well as some specialized training for forensic evaluators). Between myself and my husband, we have 7 children, 4 1/2 grandchildren, and 4 dogs which keep us extremely busy. We love to travel (and do so frequently), spend time with our grandkids, and relax in our "spare time."

Why did you ultimately decide to transfer to Park University?

My education and career plans required a bachelor's degree, and Park University offered a good program that was close and convenient.

What was your favorite thing about Park University?

I enjoyed the shorter classes, as it didn't give me time to "get lazy" about studying. I also liked the evening classes, and the environment was actually very helpful in getting to know classmates and the instructors better.

What was the most challenging thing you encountered when it came to transferring to a university and how did you overcome it?

At the time, I was a parent of 2 young children, living in Barstow, so driving to CSU San Bernardino or any other 4-year university was out of the question for me. Finding a local university was critical for me to advance my education. (Later, in a similar situation with 5 children and living in Ridgecrest, CA, I had the same barriers for my doctorate degree, and found online programs to support my education as well.) In today's world, online Bachelor's Degree programs are everywhere, but 25 years ago, they weren't.

Did you go to college with the intention of getting the job you have now? If not, explain how you came to the position you're in now. Any other jobs lead you here?

I didn't intend to work outside the home at the time. I planned for my education to be something to fall back on should I need it. However, after receiving my Bachelor's Degree, the Master's was well within reach, and seemed to make sense. I continued. It wasn't until later in my Master's Degree that I decided to keep going and pursue a Doctorate Degree, and the ultimate career choice didn't come until I was in my internship and I learned about forensic psychology. I did, however, start teaching right after receiving my Master's Degree, and absolutely loved it. But for the psychologist license and career, it was ultimately my education path which led me to the career I have now.

What advice would you give to someone who's considering transferring to a 4-year university?

Keep an open mind with regard to education - paths may change as you explore various classes and subjects. I often hear people say they will wait to transfer or start school or . . . until they have decided "what to do." I would suggest to jump in, keep going, and as you go, "what to do" (i.e. what to major in) will become clear as you interact with courses, peers, and teachers. In waiting until you decide, you may never be exposed to the ideas or subject that will ultimately catch your attention or lead to a career path that you love. One last thing: transferring and getting a Bachelor's Degree is difficult. A lot of students think that means a Master's Degree will be even harder: not so. Once you get to graduate school, it's more fun, hands on, and focused, and goes much quicker. If you can get your 4-year degree, keep going - it's all downhill from there!



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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT—BERNICE FLEENER - Transferred to UC Irvine



Please tell us a little bit about yourself?

Hey, my name is Bernice Fleener, I am 20 years old, and I am a third-year Psychology major at the University of California, Irvine (UCI or UC Irvine). I am a transfer student who graduated from Barstow Community College in 2018 with an AA-T in psychology.

Why did you choose to transfer to UCI?

I chose to transfer to UCI because of their similar yet different psychology program. The university itself has various options. For instance, there are two ways to receive a degree in psychology, and it all depends on the school that you choose. The one that I am in is the school of social sciences, and it is under the department of cognitive sciences, which is more brain-based research (i.e., behavioral analysis and neuroscience). The other school is the school of social ecology, which uses science-based solutions to social and environmental problems. Both schools are significant, it all depends on which side of psychology you want to focus on primarily, social-based or brain-based research.

What is your favorite thing about UCI?

My favorite thing about UC Irvine is the over 600 campus organizations it has. One club that I joined is called Kababayan. Kababayan is a cultural club at UCI that promotes awareness and enrichment of the Pilipino/Pilipino-American culture, tradition, and heritage. As a student org., the club also emphasizes the social, cultural, political, academic and community aspects of the Pilipino/Pilipino-American experience. Kababayan is one of four Filipino student organizations on campus. Moreover, there are other cultural clubs besides Kababayan that UCI provides.

Is there anything that you wish you would have known before going to UCI that you didn't find out about until after the fact?

The one thing I wish I knew before coming to UCI is that they offer provide some many resources for everyone. For example, they have a resource center for the LGBTQ+ community, veterans, and even for transfer students like me.

Do you feel that you have been challenged in your coursework at UCI?

Most definitely! The reasoning being the academic system difference between BCC and UCI. BCC follows a semester system, whereas UCI and other UC's and some CSU's follow the quarter system. However, I understood the change because I took some online classes at BCC and those classes are only nine weeks. Having courses that somewhat followed a quarter system, helped me to adjust to the quarter system at UCI.

Do you feel that the professors and the college staff are helpful and approachable?

The professors and the college staff are most helpful and approachable. They will tell what happened in a lecture after the lecture has already ended. Also, each lecture usually has a teachers assistant who is responsible for running discussion classes. They are also responsible for going into more detail on the materials the professor covered in the lecture.

What kind of advice would you offer to a BCC student looking to transfer to UCI?

The one advice that I would offer to a BCC student is to keep everything in balance. UCI, to some, is considered a "boring" university to apply to, but it can be very social, fun, and welcoming. You can explore who you are as a person and be open-minded to trying new things. However, despite having fun, academics come first. You may think that once you arrive at UCI you might go crazy having fun, but it is essential to put your education first.



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UNIVERSITY SPOTLIGHT— CSU LOS ANGELES

California State University—Los Angeles is a public institution that was founded in 1947. It has a total undergraduate enrollment of 24,629, its setting is urban, and the campus size is 175 acres. It utilizes a semester-based academic calendar. California State University—Los Angeles's ranking in the 2019 edition of Best Colleges is Regional Universities West, 52. Its in-state tuition and fees are \$6,745 out-of-state tuition and fees are \$17,249. Cal State LA or CSULA, is a state school that operates on the quarter system. For students who commute, Cal State LA is fairly accessible; it has a train stop on the Metro link, and nearly 20 bus lines stop nearby. For students who want to live on campus, the university provides residence halls and apartments. The Cal State LA athletic teams, the Golden Eagles, compete in the NCAA Division II California Collegiate Athletic Association.



Minimum Transfer Requirements

- 60 transferable semester units
- Be in good standing at the last college or university attended in a regular session
- Have a minimum, overall college GPA of 2.00 or higher in all transferable college course work attempted.
- Have completed each of the CSU General Education courses in Writing, Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning), Critical Thinking** and Speech Communication with a grade of C- or better

Fast Facts

8 Colleges and Schools

1:26 Faculty to Student ratio

115 academic programs in 60 majors

Average Transfer GPA: 3.5

69% Application Acceptance Rate

Source: <https://>

www.collegetransfer.net/



For more information visit: www.calstatela.edu/

Or visit the Transfer Center!



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DEGREE/CAREER SPOTLIGHT – ART HISTORY

Why Pursue a Career in Psychology?

There are many good reasons to pursue this career, as the degree requires a fundamental but flexible skill set that can be applied in various fields and industries. A graduate with a degree in psychology may successfully find employment in the field of psychology or in a wide range of careers that are related to psychology. In fact, in 2008, only 5% of graduates with a bachelor's degree in psychology were working in psychology or in an occupation di-



A psychology degree develops knowledge of human behavior as well as research, statistics, and writing skills. It can provide a foundation for many careers. Positions don't all require a doctorate and they don't all involve therapy – though a graduate degree is a requirement for some, and an asset for some others. Here is a look at ten top career paths for individuals with undergraduate

Top Ten Careers for Psychology Majors

- Psychotherapy or Counseling
- Social or Community Service Management
- Genetics Counseling
- Human Resources
- I/O Psychology
- Training & Development
- Real Estate
- Arbitration or Mediation
- Corrections Treatment or Probation Monitoring
- Post-secondary Administration/Student Affairs



Psychology Career Information and Outlook. (n.d.). Retrieved January 28, 2019, from <https://www.psychologydegree411.com/careers/>

Top Ten Careers for Psychology Majors. (n.d.). Retrieved January 28, 2019, from <http://www.psychologist-license.com/articles/>



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UNIVERSITY CAMPUS TOURS— SPRING 2019

Are you planning to transfer to a four-year university? If yes, sign-up for one of our free university campus tours! During the campus tours you will have the opportunity to view the campus, meet with campus representatives, and explore various campus services, programs, and resources! **Meals and transportation will be provided!**

Date/Time Of Trip	Campus	Deadline to Sign-up:
February 1, 2019 7:30am-5pm	CSU Dominguez Hills Campus Tour @ 11am	01/30/19
February 8, 2019 9:30am-5pm	UC Riverside Campus Tour @ 12 & Info Session @ 1pm	02/06/19
March 11- March 14th	Spring Break Trip 7 Universities in 4 days	01/30/19
March 22, 2019 7:00am-5pm	SPS Transfer Series: University of Redlands @ 8:45am & Loma Linda University @ 1pm	3/20/19
March 29, 2019 7am-5pm	CSU Los Angeles Campus Tour @ 10am	03/27/19
April 16, 2019 7:30am-2pm	National College Fair Ontario Convention Center	04/11/19
TBD	Cal Baptist University	TBD
TBD	La Sierra University	TBD

Important Notices:

Sign-Up in the Transfer & Career Center by the deadline!

Seating is limited! Students must be enrolled in a class at BCC for the fall 2018 semester in order to attend a campus tour. Priority will be given to students with 30+ units that are in good standing.

BCC- Transfer & Career Center
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UNIVERSITY REPS ON CAMPUS— FEBRUARY 2019

The Barstow Community College Transfer & Career Center Presents:



Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BASW) Information Session

Join us to learn how to best prepare for CSUSB'S BASW program!

- The social work profession
- CSUSB's BASW class and application requirements
- Internship/fieldwork opportunities
- Career possibilities in the field of social work

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

12:30pm-1:30pm

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Guest Speaker: Dr. Carolyn McAllister,

BASW Program Director

RSVP at transfer@barstow.edu by Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Questions? Contact Aleah Jameson Goodvich @ ajamesongoodvich@barstow.edu



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SPS-Transfer Series Workshops

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Location: Transfer & Career Center

Time: 12:30-1:30pm

February



February 4th **Financial Fitness-** Did you know money Management is Less overwhelming than you may think? Come and learn the difference between fixed and variable expenses. We will also provide CashCourse tools that can help you create your own budgets.

February 21st **Beyond BCC-** Ever wonder where you're going to transfer to after BCC? Get first hand info from the perspective of recent graduates on their decision to apply, their experience on their university campuses, and their reflections since graduation~



March



March 7th **Answers for Transfers - I got in – What now?** In this workshop you will get helpful tips about navigating through the confusion of being a transfer student. Learn from the experts and don't get caught in the usual roadblocks before you get to your four-year campus and during your first semester.

March 22nd **Trip to the Future-** Would you like to take a trip to the future? Come on the university trip to imagine yourself as a student! You will get the opportunity to tour different universities, meet with tour guides, and see if which university is a good fit for you!



April



April 8th **4 Year Fundamentals-** I'm accepted! Now what do I do? If you have questions about what you should do between receiving your acceptance letter and attending your first day of classes, don't worry, we have you covered. Come learn about the important steps you will need to take prior to enrolling in classes at the University.

April 16th **Cultural Connection-** When you are a student at a college or university, you will meet many people that are different from you. Learn how to appreciate other cultures as well as letting others know about your own culture. Remember that college is a time to learn and grow!



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TRANSFER AWARENESS TENT – FEBRUARY 2019

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LOCATION: AMPHITHEATER

TIME: 10:00am-1:30pm



February 19, 2019

Participants:

CSU San Bernardino

National University

FIDM

Trident University

February 27, 2019

Participants:

Azusa Pacific University

University of La Verne

Grand Canyon University

CSU Bakersfield



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TRANSFER CENTER EVENTS CALENDAR— FEBRUARY 2019

University representatives scheduled to visit the Barstow Community College campus may require an appointment. Please call 760-252-2411 ext. 7321 or email Transfer@barstow.edu to schedule an appointment.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 TCC UNIV. TRIP CSU-Dominguez Hills 7:30am-5pm
4 SPS Transfer Series: Financial Fitness @12:30pm & 4pm Location: Transfer Center	5 STEP MTG. 12:30pm-1:30pm Transfer Center	6	7 University Preview Day PAC 11:30am- 2:00pm	8 TCC UNIV. TRIP UC-Riverside 8:30pm-5pm
11	12 FAFSA WORKSHOP 12:30pm- 1:30pm	13 FAFSA WORKSHOP 12:30pm- 1:30pm	14	15 
18 	19 Transfer Awareness Tent Amphitheater 10am-1:30pm	20	21 *SPS Transfer Series: Beyond BCC @12:30pm & 4pm Location: Transfer Center	22
25	26 FAFSA WORKSHOP 12:30pm- 1:30pm	27 Transfer Awareness Tent Amphitheater 10am-1:30pm FAFSA WORKSHOP 12:30pm- 1:30pm	28 Transfer Thursday @ Ft. Irwin 9am-12pm & 1:30- 4pm	