

Emerging Themes

MassTransfer Steering Committee: February 2026

MASSACHUSETTS
Department of
Higher Education

Early College

- ***Transferability of Courses***
 - The Database
 - The GenEd Foundation
- ***Application to Baccalaureate Institutions***
 - Timing is tricky
 - Official final transcript required from each IHE
- ***Segmental Convening***
 - Secondary/Post-Secondary faculty partnerships
 - Mapping content for progress between segments

Student Resources

- ***Four Priorities***
 - 4-year pathways, inevitable transfer, joint admission, and affordability
 - One at a time, System-wide
- ***Revise the Commonwealth Commitment***
 - Simplify regulations—clarify and expand pathways
 - From “universal agreement” to “regional partnerships”
 - Joint Admission
- ***Non-Traditional Becoming Traditional***
 - Evolving demographics and expanding enrollment
 - Post-transfer progression and academic support

Collaboration

- ***Early College***
 - Secondary Education to Higher Education
 - Value of Credits
- ***ComCom and Transfer Pathway Maps***
 - Sending institution to receiving institution
 - Mapping course content and degree components between the dyad
- ***Common Course Numbering***
 - Inter-segmental convening
 - Mapping course content across all three