WSAC Updates
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WSAC’s Mission

We advance educational opportunities and attainment in Washington. In pursuit of our mission, the Washington Student Achievement Council:

• Leads statewide strategic planning to improve educational coordination and transitions.

• Supports Washingtonians through the administration of financial aid, a college savings plan, and support services.

• Advocates for the economic, social, and civic benefits of postsecondary education.
By 2023:

100% of adults ages 25 to 44 in Washington will have a high school diploma or equivalent.

At least 70% of Washington adults ages 25 to 44 will have a postsecondary credential.
System-wide strategies to support all students

Make higher education more affordable
- Expand state financial aid programs, including fully funding the State Need Grant program.
- Maintain full funding for the College Bound Scholarship.
- Provide ample funding for higher education.
- Maintain a stable and predictable tuition policy.

Improve college and career readiness
- Increase dual-credit opportunities.
- Invest in guidance, and proven high school completion efforts.

Increase college completion
- Fund successful student support programs.
- Provide opportunity gap innovation grants.
- Create a plan to recruit and retain adult students.

Ensure graduates can meet workforce demands
- Expand investments in fields with anticipated workforce shortages.
- Expand work-based learning through State Work Study.

Bold: 2017-19 WSAC prioritizes
## WSAC’s primary duties

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WSAC and student transition

RCW 28B.77.210: “The council shall adopt statewide transfer and articulation policies that ensure efficient transfer of credits and courses across public two and four-year institutions of higher education”

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Transfer Degree Highlights

11% increase in total degrees awarded over 2013-14

>90% DTAs

AS-T had biggest increase

Running Start: 16% of total DTAs

Most popular MRPs: Business, Pre-Nursing, Biology, Engineering
## 2017 Legislative Transfer Report

### Other Transfer Highlights

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<td>Washington leads country in CTC transfers who earn bachelor’s degrees</td>
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Transfer Updates

**2017 MRP Reviews**
- Business
- Computer Science
- Pre-Nursing?

**Resource Updates**
- ICRC handbook
- Transfer policies
- Transfer brochure
- Transfer websites

**Future transfer reports**
- Re-examine metrics
- “Deeper dive” research

**AS-T Track 2**
- ICRC version incorrect
Transfer Policy Update

Updating for the 21st Century

Looking into combining transfer policies into one

Where does ACPL fit in?

Will need feedback from you!!