NC STATE UNIVERSITY

Spring 2021 First Term Transfer Survey

Previous Institution and Admissions Process

This section of the survey gathers information on your previous experiences at an institution of higher education and your transfer to NC State.

How many schools (community college, technical school, college or university) have you attended prior to NC State?

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- <mark>0</mark> 2
- **O** 3
- $\bigcirc 4$
- <mark>O</mark> 5
- <mark>O</mark> 6+

What type of institution(s) have you attended prior to NC State? (Select all that apply.)

- 2-year community college in North Carolina
- 2-year out-of-state community college
- 2-year technical college in North Carolina
- 2-year out-of-state technical college
- 4-year public college/university in North Carolina
- 4-year out-of-state public college/university
- 4-year private college/university in North Carolina
- 4-year out-of-state private college/university
- Other 🗌

Which of the following best represents your **<u>primary</u>** reason for transferring out of your previous school?

- My intended major/program was not available at my previous institution
- Wanted to go to NC State initially, but went to another institution to start with
- It was too far away from home
- Did not feel connected to my previous institution
- O Other

What was the most influential factor in your decision to enroll at NC State?

- Academic reputation
- Availability of major/program
- Knew someone already enrolled at NC State (e.g., friend, family member)
- C Location
- O Size
- 🔿 Cost
- Availability of scholarships/financial aid
- Number of hours transferred/credited
- Contact with a faculty or staff member
- Involvement/Extracurricular activities
- O Other

Was the number of your courses that actually transferred the number you were led to believe should transfer by your <u>previous institution</u>?

- O More than I expected
- About what I expected
- Less than I expected
- Not applicable

Did the courses that transferred apply to your plan of study as you think they should have?

- All were applied as expected
- Some were applied as expected

- None were applied as expected
- O Not sure
- O Not applicable

How certain are you of your choice of college/major?

- O Very certain
- O Certain
- 🔘 Uncertain
- Very uncertain

From the time you enter NC State, how long do you intend to take to complete your bachelor's degree?

- 🔘 1 year
- 🔘 2 years
- 🔘 3 years
- 🔿 4 years
- More than 4 years
- O Do not intend to complete a bachelor's degree at NC State

How did you find information about NC State when you first considered applying? (Select all that apply.)

- NC State-run websites
- NC State-run social media accounts (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- Emails from NC State
- NC State Guides App

	Personal communication with NC State administrators (e.g. admissions counselor, new student
pro	ograms office, financial aid office)

Personal communication with administrators at my previous institution (e.g. transfer coordinator, academic advisor)

Personal communication with family and friends at NC State

Personal communication with family and friends not at NC State

Other (Please explain)

How did you find information about NC State <u>before</u> your first semester? (Select all that apply.)
NC State-run websites
NC State-run social media accounts (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
Emails from NC State
NC State Guides App
Personal communication with NC State administrators (e.g. admissions counselor, new student programs office, financial aid office)
Personal communication with administrators at my previous institution (e.g. transfer coordinator, academic advisor)
Personal communication with family and friends at NC State
Personal communication with family and friends not at NC State
Other (Please explain)
How did you find information about NC State <u>during your first semester</u> (spring 2021)? (Select all that apply.)
NC State-run websites
NC State-run social media accounts (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
Emails from NC State
NC State Guides App Decencel communication with NC State administrators (o.g. administrators counceler, new student)
Personal communication with NC State administrators (e.g. admissions counselor, new student programs office, financial aid office)
Personal communication with administrators at my previous institution (e.g. transfer coordinator, academic advisor)
Personal communication with family and friends at NC State
Personal communication with family and friends not at NC State
Other (Please explain)

What else, if anything, would you like us to know about your admissions experience as a transfer student at NC State?

Spring Transfer Orientation

This question asks about your experiences at Spring Transfer Student Orientation.

What experiences or information could have been provided during Spring Transfer Student Orientation that would have helped ease your transition to NC State?

Winter Welcome Week

The following section of the survey asks you to think back on activities in which you might have participated during Winter Welcome Week at the start of the semester.

Did you participate in any activities during Winter Welcome Week?

- 🔿 Yes
- 🔿 No

Please describe any barriers that may have prevented you from participating in activities during Winter Welcome Week.

In which type of events did you participate during Winter Welcome Week?

- Only in-person
- Only virtual
- Combination of in-person and virtual

Overall, how would you rate Winter Welcome Week in assisting you in your transition to NC State?

- Excellent
- 🔿 Good
- 🔿 Fair
- O Poor

What did you gain from Winter Welcome Week? (Select all that apply)

- Fun/Entertainment
- Made new friends
- Identified student organizations and activities I plan to explore
- Developed a greater sense of community with NC State
- Developed a greater sense of community with smaller social groups
- Understood more about college life
- Identified the skills needed to thrive in the classroom
- Learned my way around campus
- Met University faculty and staff
- Interacted with others who are different from me
- Gained an understanding of university expectations
- 🔲 Other *(please describe)* 🦳

Please describe how the events you attended provided you with an opportunity to form a sense of community with fellow students.

What about your Winter Welcome Week experience was most impactful to you and why?

Based upon your Winter Welcome Week participation, what was missing from your Winter Welcome Week experience?

Transition Programming

What resources/information would you have liked to see available in the first few weeks/month of classes? (Select your top 3)

- Opportunities to connect with peers socially
- Opportunities to connect with faculty
- More interaction with an academic advisor
- Career/major exploration
- Personal success opportunities (e.g., leadership, professional development, service, etc.)
- Academic success skills (e.g., time management, stress management, note taking, test taking, etc.)
- Academic support services (e.g., tutoring, supplemental instruction, etc.)
- Finding a job at NC State
- Finding an internship or co-op
- Getting involved at NC State
- Maintaining a healthy lifestyle as a student
- Opportunities to attend cultural events
- Opportunities to dialogue about current events
- Other (please describe)

How would you be most receptive to finding out about resources and engagement opportunities for students? (Select all that apply)

Emails from your instructor	TikTok
Emails from your college/major	Snapchat
Other university email communications (e.g., the HOWL)	Facebook
Word of mouth from other students	Discord
Word of mouth from mentors/upperclassmen	Reddit
Word of mouth from professors, advisors, or staff	University calendar
University websites	Get Involved at NC State (NC State student organization portal)
Instagram	Signage around campus (e.g., banners, campus screens)
Twitter	Tabling (e.g., in Talley Student Union)

Academic Support Services

The next few questions are about your preferences for delivery of virtual academic support services.

What time of day would you likely seek virtual academic support? (Select all that apply)

🔲 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	🔲 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
🔲 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	🔲 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	🔲 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	

When would you use virtual academic support if it was offered on the weekend? (Select all that apply)

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	None
Friday				
Saturday				
Sunday				

Please select all types of virtual academic support formats that are appealing to you. (Select all that apply)

	Course-Based Support	Writing Support
Academic Peer Mentoring (time management and study skills)		
Drop In Tutoring		
Tutoring by appointment - one-on-one		
Weekly tutoring appointments in a small group		
Supplemental Instruction (SI)		

Campus Experiences

NC State provides many virtual support services to help students be successful. In the following section, you will be asked about your experiences at NC State thus far, and about how well you are adapting to college life.

Based on your responses to some of the questions in this section only, **your answers and contact information may be shared on a limited basis with other NC State offices and a staff member may contact you to offer support.** Other than that contact, your responses will remain confidential and will only be released in summary format. You do not have to answer any questions that you do not feel comfortable answering.

If you would like to be contacted by a NC State staff member regardless of your responses, you will have the option of requesting that contact at the end of the survey.

Were you aware that NC State offers the following **virtual** services and programs? (*Virtual services may be by appointment or drop-in*)

	Yes	No
Club/organization meetings	Ο	0
Group fitness	0	0
Virtual office hours with faculty and staff	0	0
Academic advising	0	0

	Yes	No
Counseling/telehealth	0	0
Informational events (e.g., guest speakers, workshops)	0	0
Social events (e.g., trivia nights, watch parties, crafts events)	0	0

How confident are you in your ability to:

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident
Find your way around campus	0	0	0	0
Use online course management systems (e.g., Moodle, WebAssign)	Ο	0	0	0
Contact an instructor (e.g. to ask for help or clarification of course concepts after class, attending office hours, etc.)	Ο	0	0	Ο
Cope with stress by identifying and implementing healthy stress relief strategies	0	0	0	Ο
Relieve or reduce homesickness	0	0	0	0
Effectively manage your time (i.e., balance work, class, social life)	Ο	0	0	Ο
Identify virtual tutoring support	0	0	0	0
	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident
Find information and resources required for your academic work (e.g., textbooks, journal articles, books, etc.)	Ο	0	0	Ο
Properly cite sources to avoid plagiarism	0	0	0	0
Secure personal information and data on devices and online accounts	0	0	0	0
Protect your online reputation on social media	0	0	0	0
Identify virtual academic advising support	0	0	0	0
Identify at least one virtual NC State resource for personal/ psychological/ health support	Ο	0	0	Ο

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	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident
Identify at least one virtual activity or group at NC State in which you might like to get involved	0	0	0	Ο
	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident
Identify a group at NC State that supports an identity important to you (e.g., ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation)	Ο	0	0	0
Connect with other individuals at NC State	Ο	0	0	0
Participate in leadership opportunities	0	0	0	0
Choose the right major	0	0	0	0
Graduate on time	0	0	0	0

How confident are you in your ability to use the following technology to complete your academic work?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident	Not applicable
Virtual Computing Lab (VCL)	0	0	0	0	0
Website building tools (e.g., WordPress or Google Sites)	0	0	0	0	0
Video and audio creation/editing	0	0	0	0	0
Data analysis tools (e.g., Excel, Python, Tableau)	0	0	0	0	0

To what extent have the following disrupted your ability to complete your academic work this semester (e.g., participate in class, complete assignments)?

	A great deal	Some	A little	Not at all
Difficulty navigating technology platforms (e.g., Zoom, Moodle)	Ο	0	Ο	Ο
Insufficient internet connectivity	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο

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	A great deal	Some	A little	Not at all	
Technical issues with hardware/electronic devices	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο	
Lack of access to hardware/electronic devices	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	

To what extent have you done each of the following during your time thus far at NC State?

	A great deal	Some	A little	Not at all
Connected with other new spring students	0	0	0	0
Connected with upper-level students to learn about NC State and activities (e.g., RA, village mentor, student organization members, etc.)	0	0	Ο	0
Used the university calendar to find engagement activities	0	0	0	0
Gotten involved in NC State activities (e.g., joined an organization, participated in virtual fitness classes, etc.)	0	0	Ο	0
Developed a relationship with a faculty member	0	0	0	0
Developed a relationship with a staff member (e.g., student organization advisor, career counselor, residence hall staff, etc.)	0	0	Ο	0
	A great deal	Some	A little	Not at all
Considered what you have been learning in your classes valuable	0	0	Ο	0
Connected with your academic advisor	0	0	0	0
Thought about or planned for your fall course schedule	0	0	0	0
Participated in virtual career planning activities (e.g., utilized career center services, explored career-related majors, explored internships or co-ops, created a resume, attended a career fair, etc.)	0	0	Ο	0
Sought out academic assistance if it was needed with your school work	0	0	0	0

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	A great deal	Some	A little	Not at all	
Used virtual services offered by the Counseling Center (e.g. counseling, groups, presentations/workshops)	0	0	0	0	
	A great deal	Some	A little	Not at all	
Used Student Health Services	0	0	0	0	
Used virtual tutorial services at NC State	0	0	0	0	
Used the Libraries' resources and services (e.g., spaces, websites, books, articles, online help/workshops, etc.)	0	0	0	0	
Used Wellness and Recreation facilities, programs and services (e.g., group fitness classes, wellness coaching, intramural sports trivia and games, group fitness classes, outdoor adventures tips and resources)	Ο	0	Ο	Ο	

Would you like to receive an email with links to NC State resources that may be helpful for new students?

O Yes

O No

As a result of participating in virtual services and programs outside of class:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I have a greater sense of community	0	0	0	0
I made connections with other students	0	0	0	0
I made connections with faculty/staff	0	0	0	0
I am more excited about being at NC State	0	0	0	0
I am able to more effectively manage stress	0	0	0	0
I am more aware of resources at NC State	0	0	0	0

What do you want NC State to know about your experience with virtual services and programs outside of class?

Think about a virtual experience at NC State this semester that made you feel connected or engaged. What was it about that experience that made you feel connected or engaged?

You noted that you have connected with other new spring students during your time thus far at NC State. What is the primary way you have connected with other students?

- Residence hall
- NC State events
- Classes
- Student organizations
- O Other (please describe)

Since arriving at NC State how often have you felt:

	Constantly	Often	Sometimes	Once in a while	Never
Lonely/Isolated	0	0	0	0	Ο
Depressed	0	0	0	0	0
Overwhelmed	0	0	0	0	0
Highly anxious	0	0	0	0	Ο
	Constantly	Often	Sometimes	Once in a while	Never
Very distressed	0	Ο	0	0	Ο
Bored	0	0	0	0	0
Concerned about financial issues	0	0	Ο	0	0
Academically underprepared	0	0	0	0	Ο
	Constantly	Often	Sometimes	Once in a while	Never

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	Constantly	Often	Sometimes	Once in a while	Never
Concerned about family issues	0	0	Ο	0	0
That your major is not right for you	0	0	Ο	0	0
That NC State is not a good fit for you	0	0	Ο	0	0

What is the primary source of stress for you this semester?

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- Finances
- Interpersonal relationship issues with family, friends, or partner
- Mental health concerns
- Physical health concerns
- O Racial trauma the cumulative effects of racism on a person's physical and mental health
- 🔘 Other (*please describe*)
- I do not currently have a primary source of stress

In which of these areas has your stress increased as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic? (Select all that apply)

Finances

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- Interpersonal relationship issues with family, friends, or partner
- Mental health concerns
- Physical health concerns
- Racial trauma the cumulative effects of racism on a person's physical and mental health
- Other (please describe)
- My stress levels have not increased as a result of COVID-19

About how many scheduled class meeting times have you missed this semester (total for all classes combined)?

- <mark>O</mark> 1-2
- <mark>()</mark> 3-5
- <mark>O</mark> 6+

For which of the following reasons have you missed scheduled class meeting times? (Select all that apply.)

- Personal physical health reasons
- Personal mental/psychological health reasons
- Internet access or connectivity issues
- Issues with hardware/electronic devices
- Needed to move off campus or to a quarantine/isolation location
- Personal or family issue
- Transportation/parking problems
- Travel
- Confusion about day or time
- Required event for your college/class
- Career-related event (career fair, job interview, info session)
- To participate in a student club/organization
- Work on or off campus
- Just didn't feel like going
- Overslept/lack of sleep
- Don't understand the professor/don't like the class
- I don't need the class for my major/minor
- To finish other academic work
- Attendance is not taken or does not influence my grade
- Other (please describe)

Thank you for your responses to those questions! For the remainder of the survey, your contact information will <u>not</u> be shared with other NC State offices.

What have been your biggest struggles at NC State so far?

What support do you think you need from NC State faculty and staff to be successful during your first year at NC State?

Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements.

Leadership development is very important to me while enrolled at NC State.

- O Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- O Strongly disagree

I am aware of the leadership development opportunities that are available to me while I am at NC State.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- O Strongly disagree

I am aware of the leadership activities I can become involved in within my academic college.

- O Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

O I am in an exploratory program and not yet affiliated with an academic college (e.g. Exploratory Studies, Life Science First Year Program, etc.)

I am aware of my academic advisor's <u>expectation of me</u>, their advisee, as outlined in the University Academic Advising Guidelines and Expectations (Advising Syllabus)?

- Strongly agree
- O Somewhat agree
- O Somewhat disagree
- O Strongly Disagree

I am aware of my academic advisor's <u>responsibilities to me</u>, their advisee, as outlined in the University Academic Advising Guidelines and Expectations (Advising Syllabus)?

- Strongly agree
- O Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- O Strongly Disagree

Are you registered to vote in the United States?

- 🔿 Yes
- No No
- O Not sure
- I'm not eligible to vote in the United States

Do you feel like you have the information you need to participate in the election process in future elections?

	Yes	No
How to register to vote	0	0
How to update your voter registration to your new address	0	0
How to request an absentee ballot	0	0
How to find your polling place	0	0
Information about candidates	0	0

Sense of Community

In this section, we'd like to know a little more about your sense of community with NC State. Think of the entire university as your community (virtual and physical). Consider not just your group of friends, but all students, faculty, and staff.

How important it is to you that you experience a sense of belonging or community in each of the following settings at NC State ?

	Very important	Moderately important	Slightly important	Not at all important
With NC State overall	0	0	0	0
In formal organizations (e.g., student organizations, athletic groups)	0	0	0	Ο
In your academic college or major	0	0	0	0
In your residence hall	0	0	0	0
In your village	0	0	0	0
In small groups (e.g., with friends)	0	0	0	0

To what extent do you <u>actually experience</u> a sense of belonging or community in each of the following settings at NC State ?

	A great extent	Some	A little	Not at all
With NC State overall	0	0	0	0
In formal organizations (e.g., student organizations, athletic groups)	0	0	0	0
In your academic college or major	0	0	0	0
In your residence hall	0	0	0	0
In your village	0	0	0	0
In small groups (e.g., with friends)	0	0	0	0

How well does each of the following statements represent how you feel about the NC State community?

Not at all Somewhat

Mostly

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	Not at all	Somewhat	Mostly	Completely
I get important needs of mine met because I am part of this community	0	0	Ο	0
Community members and I value the same things	0	0	Ο	0
This community has been successful in getting the needs of its members met	0	0	0	0
Being a member of this community makes me feel good	0	0	Ο	0
When I have a problem, I can talk about it with members of this community	0	0	0	0
People in this community have similar needs, priorities, and goals	0	0	Ο	0

How well does each of the following statements represent how you feel about the NC State community?

	Not at all	Somewhat	Mostly	Completely
I can trust people in this community	0	Ο	0	0
I can recognize most members of this community	0	Ο	0	0
Most community members know me	0	Ο	0	0
This community has symbols and expressions of membership such as clothes, signs, art, architecture, logos, landmarks, and flags that people can recognize	Ο	Ο	0	0
I put a lot of time and effort into being part of this community	0	Ο	0	0
Being a member of this community is part of my identity	Ο	Ο	0	0

How well does each of the following statements represent how you feel about the NC State community?

	Not at all	Somewhat	Mostly	Completely
Fitting into this community is important to me	0	Ο	0	0
This community can influence other communities	0	0	0	0
I care about what other community members think of me	0	Ο	0	0
I have influence over what this community is like	0	Ο	0	0
If there is a problem in this community, members can get it solved	0	Ο	0	0
This community has good leaders	0	Ο	0	0
This community cares about civic engagement	0	Ο	0	0
This community will help me develop my leadership skills	0	Ο	0	0

How well does each of the following statements represent how you feel about the NC

State community?

	Not at all	Somewhat	Mostly	Completely
It is very important to me to be a part of this community	0	0	0	0
I am with other community members a lot and enjoy being with them	0	0	0	Ο
I expect to be a part of this community for a long time	0	0	0	Ο
Members of this community have shared important events together, such as holidays, celebrations, or disasters	0	0	0	0
I feel hopeful about the future of this community	0	0	0	Ο

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	Not at all	Somewhat	Mostly	Completely	
Members of this community care about each other	0	0	Ο	0	

Personal Information

This final section asks you to provide some background information about yourself.

On average, about how many hours per week are you currently working?

At an NC State job for pay At a non-NC State job for pay As an unpaid intern or volunteer, or in another unpaid job/position

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The following demographic questions are optional. The results of these questions help us better understand the experiences of our diverse campus community. Your individual responses to these questions are confidential and results are only reported in aggregate.

What is your gender?

- 🔿 Male
- Female
- O Transgender Female to male
- Transgender Male to female
- O Nonbinary

I identify using a different term (please specify)

Do you consider yourself to be:

- O Straight
- 🔿 Gay
- 🔘 Lesbian
- 🔘 Bisexual
- Questioning
- I identify using a different term (please specify)

O Prefer not to answer

What is your race/ethnicity? (Select all that apply.)

- African American/Black
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- 🗌 Asian
- Hispanic/Latino
- White/Caucasian
- Other

Please click below to submit your survey responses. *Note:* When you click Next, you will <u>not</u> have the option to go back and change any earlier answers.

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