Possibility of Transfering without "C" or **AA** Degree

Transfer without "C" average and the associates degree evaluated by reporting the responses of a questionnaire mailed to 200 colleges and universities throughout the South

By D.H. Nicholson Registrar Because of changes in our society resulting from the almost phenomenal, but massive, growth of post-secondary educational institutions and, in particular, because of those changes resulting directly from the growth in numbers of twoyear institutions of higher education, many senior initutions are re-examining their ositions concerning the accentance and non-accentance of iunior and community college transfer students. And this reexamination or, perhaps, reevaluation, is in the main centered around admissions requirements developed for the two-year college transfers. As has already been brought out in previous articles in this column many senior institutions are now accepting "D" credit for transfer from the two-year schools. Many senior institutions are also not penalizing for repeat hours. In other words, senior institutions are "liberalizing" their admissions policies and the transfer students from the two-year institutions are in a better position than they have ever been for admission to the four-year schools.

When one considers that approximately 8,200,000 students were enrolled at colleges and universities for this Fall semester and that of the preceding total approximately 40 per cent, according to a recent article in "Fortune" magazine, is enrolled in the two year colleges or institutions, one can see that higher education is indeed big business. And one can also see that there is increased competition among the senior colleges and universities for the qualified undergraduate transfer students from the two-year institutions institutions which. again, are accounting for an ever-increasing number of the undergraduate enrollments. Another trend is pointing up the important role of the community or junior college. Increasingly, taxpayers are demanding from those administrators and faculty of public senior institutions an academic accounting" of what they are doing to deserve continued high tax support. In other words, senior institutions can no longer afford the luxury of neglecting their responsibilities to undergraduate education in efforts to build up sophisticated graduate schools with their. perhaps, more narrow perspectives. If senior institutions appear to continue to neglect the lower level undergraduate curricula on their campuses, the taxpayers of many states will give even greater support to the idea of the community or junior college. (Of course, our discussion right here is directed more to the public junior or community college.) Therefore, and these following comments private institutions, admissions policies at senior institutions are going to have to become more flexible because of the growth in academic stature of and public support for the two-year institutions. Some flexibility is already becoming somewhat apparent in the more liberal attitude concerning the transfer students from the two-year schools. Because of this greater flexibility of "liberalization" of the admissions policies, we have seen the wider acceptance of the "D" credit and the increased non-penalization of students who take a course two or three times before they master the course work. Another manifestation of this increased flexibility is clearly seen in the institutional responses to the following inquiry which was a part of a questionnaire mailed to 200 colleges and universities this past summer. This inquiry, number 4 on the questionnaire, is as follows: 4. Would you be willing to grant ditional admissions" to any indent without the associates degree or at least a 'C' average on all work attempted if that student, in your estimation, might show some potential for completion at your institution? Of the 200 institutions of higher education fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, 148 institutions (or 74 per cent of the total mailings) actually responded to the questionnaire in some way or another. And of the 148 in stitutions, 4 returned the questionnaire without approval for publication or they returned the questionnaire with incomplete answers which did not address themselves to the Therefore, 144 inquiries. responses are being reported in this series of articles. Of the 144 responses used, 62 institutions

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> clearly indicated that they would not grant "conditional admissions" to any student without the associates degree or at least a 'C' average on all work attempted if that student, in their estimation, still might show some potential for completion at their institution. Hence, 45 per cent of the respondents used in this report indicated that they would not grant "conditional admissions" under the circumstances as described above. These institutions will be listed in Group I

On the other hand, of the 144 responses used, 82 institutions (or over 56 per cent of the responses) indicated that they would clearly grant some form of "conditional admissions" to any student without the associates degree or at least a 'C' average on all work attempted if that student, in their estimation, might show some potential for completion at their institution. In the main, therefore, over half of the institutions which responded to this inquiry would grant conditional admission to a prospective transfer student from Chowan College, of course, with the preceding qualifications which have been spelled out. This preceding group of institutions will be listed in Group II below. In general, it should be remembered by the student who reads this column that because an institution indicates that it will or will not accept a student under the circumstances described in the inquiry, that institution may use other criteria which the qualifications of the inquiry cannot assume or even begin to anticipate. However, the responses as they are presented below may help to guide the reader to some options which he would not have had if he had not read this column...perhaps! If nothing else, the reader can have a better understanding of the increased flexibility now evident in the admissions standards or policies directly affect the prospective transfer student from a two-year college.

Group I Those schools which indicated that they would not grant "conditional admissions" to any student without the associates degree or at least a 'C' average' on all work attempted if that student, in their estimation, might show some potential for completion at their institution. In the instances below where the school answered with a simple "no" answer, only tha name of school will be cited. However, if there were some qualification added to the "no" answer, this qualification will be presented Sweet Briar College (Va.) Tuskegee Institute (Ala.)

Emory & Henry College (Va.) 'generally not' Carolina State North University (Raleigh) Generally not but "all students are welcome to attend summer sessions here

University of North Carolina at Wilmington Emory University (Ga.)

University of Florida at Gainesville ("No! State law prohibits accepting less than a 'C' average at each institution previously attended.")

Louisiana State University Main Campus at Baton Rouge) University of North Carolina at Greensboro "Generally" University of Tampa (Fla.)

Southwestern at Memphis (Tenn.) Southern University (La.)

Old Dominion University (Va.) Fisk University (Tenn.) Samford University (Ala.) Newberry College (S.C.) Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Greensboro College (N.C.) Virginia Commonwealth University "VCU does not offer any type of conditional admissions.'

Texas Tech University "We do not have conditional admission. A student either meets our admission requirements or he is not admissible.'

Duke University (N.C.) Radford College (Va.) East Carolina University Atlantic Christian College (N.C.) "not for continuous enrollment"

Catawba College (N.C.) Maryville College (Tenn.) Madison College (Va.) Admission granted if "ave. is 2.5 (4.0 scale) or if the applicant has

earned the associate degree." St. Leo College (Fla.) Admission granted if "student has the associate degree or a 2.0 average on the 4.0 scale." Henderson State College

(Arkansas) "Out of state needs a 'C' average for admissions.''

Hampton Institute (Va.) Longwood College (Va.) "We do not offer conditional admission to students in attendance at the regular session. Conditional admissions has been offered to some students for the Summer Session."

University of Louisville (Ky.) Wake Forest University (N.C.) Only "very rarely" is someone admitted conditionally.'

Wesleyan College (Ga.) Only "rarely" is an exception made, allowing a person to be admitted conditionally.

Group II Those schools which indicated that they "would clearly grant" some form of "conditional admissions" to any student "without" the associates degree or at least a 'C' average on all work attempted if the student, in their estimation, might show some potential for completion at

their institution. In the instances below where

the school answered with a simple "yes" answer, only the name of school will be cited. if there were ver some qualification added to the "yes" answer, that qualification will be presented with the name of the school. Virginia Wesleyan College "We do grant admission to students who fall slightly below a 'C' average if they show potential for completing a program with Mars Hill College (N.C.) -"We would consider each applicant in this category on his own merit." Arkansas State University (State University, Ark) - This institution uses a type of "probationary" admissions scale which allows it to admit students below the "C" average. The Citadel (S.C.) "Academic placement for transfer students depends upon the number of transferable credits accepted. Without any prior ROTC, minimum time at The Citadel should be expected to be 3 vears." Sul Rose State College (Texas) Clemson University (S.C.) "A student is not required to have an associate degree or exactly a 'C' average to be eligible for enrollment at Clemson. A minimum of 750 on the SAT is required, though, of all transfer students. The student's transcript is evaluated on an individual basis. Most accepted transfer students have a 'C' average or better." Tulane University (La.) "Each applicant is considered individually and admission is offered to those who in the judgment of the Admissions Committee show reasonable potential for completion at Tulane.'

Pfeiffer College (N.C.) Union College (Tenn.) "We have done this at times, and are open to the possibility.

Texas Women's University (Denton, Texas) Georgia State College at

Milledgeville Mississippi State University (State College, Miss.) "Yes, we grant admission to transfers if they have earned 12 or more

semester hours of credit.' Coker College (S.C.) Transylvania University (Ky.) University of Southern Mississippi "Yes, we have an Admissions Appeal Committee that's very rigid. The student if admitted would "have" to maintain a 2.50 QPA on the 4.0 system the first quarter at U.S.M. Then at least a 'C' average after first quarter." Bridgewater College (Va.) 'Each case is considered on an individual basis; however, we

would normally expect a 'C' average." Louisiana Polytechnic Institute Arkansas Polytechnic College

Hampden-Sidney College (Va.) "We do not grant "conditional admission" unless it is an exceptional case." Tusculum College (Tenn.)

Campbellsville College (Ky.) Also uses a kind of graduated "probationary admissions scale" for the acceptance of students with below a 'C' average. Similar to Arkansas State University's scale

North Carolina Wesleyan College University of Mississippi (University, Miss.) Yes, except

in the Schools of Engineering and Pharmacy Methodist College (N.C.)

King College (Tenn.) possibly Memphis Academy of Arts (Tenn.)

Meredith College (N.C.) High Point College (N.C.) Baptist College of Charleston (S.C.)

Ouachita Baptist University (Ark.) "absolutely" University of North Carolina at

Charlotte Tarleton State College (Texas) Southeastern La. College "Only if the student is eligible to reenter the last college or university attended. (In the case college.)"

with G.P.A.'s below 2.0. usually attaching such conditions as limited load or probationary standing.'

Florida Institute of Technology 'Transfer students would be required to have an associate degree in order to be considered for admission. Most transfer students whose academic records indicate probability of success in Jay Collins

(Tenn.) "Yes, definitely." Western Carolina University

(N.C.)Randolph-Macon College (Men) (Ashland, Va.) Roanoke College (Va.)

Hollins College (Va.) "Yes, but in general we do not use "conditional admissions." Brenau College (Ga.) Stetson University (Fla.) Austin Peay State University (Tenn.)

Johnson C. S.mith University (N.C.) Tennessee Wesleyan College Jacksonville University (Fla.) Benedict College (S.C.) Delta State College (Miss.)

Grambling College (La.) Scarritt College (Tenn.) "We accept students who have not earned the degree of Associate in Arts. However, since we offer the junior and senior years of unmust satisfactorily complete 51- made.

(Women)

clusive of physical education." Louisians If the student entered

(Texas)

Blue Mountain College (Miss.) "Yes, we will consider such a student."

Lander College (S.C.) St. Mary's University (Texas) "St. Mary's is willing to grant "conditional admissions" to any student without the associate degree or if he at least has an over-all grade point average, that is if he is not on Scholastic Probation or Enforced Scholastic Withdrawal from another school.

Tennessee State East University

Oglethorpe College (Ga.) "Yes, if we think the student can do our work if he does not have an A.A., but generally the applicatn must

have at least a 1.8 out of a 4.0." Tennessee Technological Inst. "We would have to receive the transcript and application before dergraduate work, a student any committment could be

60 aemester hours of work, ex-University of Southwestern

University of Corpus Christi without the "C" average from the somewhat irrelevant in a previous school, he would be placed academic probation for the first semester.

Union University (Tenn.) "Yes, so long as he is eligible to return to the college from which he is transferring.

David Liscomb College (Tenn.) Yes, with the possible exception of Fall otr.' Berry College (Ga.) "We would

consider as a candidate." Stratford College (Va.) Bennett College (N.C.) In the next issue of the Smoke

Signals, there will be reported the last in this series of reports on college transfer. This last report will evolve from responses to the following inquiry of the questionnaire previously

described: 5. Approximately how many on-campus and off-campus living spaces do you have available for transfers into your junior class next Fall?

Although the above inquiry may seem, on first reading, to be

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questionnaire which is primarily concerned with academics it is important to consider for many reasons. One of the most important of these reasons pertains to something we might consider 'admissions potential," for lack of a better term! If a college or university has expansive housing facilities for transfer students. admissions policies can be altered, if only in not wholly observable degrees, to fill those empty beds. Hence, we might see in instances where there are few on-campus and off-campus facilities for transfer boarding students, perhaps, tighter admissions policies governing prospective transfer students are in force. Of course, the preceding is a generalization, but it is

worthy of consideration. This column in the next issue of Smoke Signals should lend more insight into some options for the prespective transfer student who has completed his first two years here at Chowan College

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Date of Departure	Destination
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of a 2-yr college, we would assume him to be eligible if he graduates from the 2-yr Students Appointed to Centenary College (La.) "The admissions committee has of-fered admission to applicants with G.P.A.'s below 2.0. usually

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manager to improve conduct, atmosphere, and appearance of

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but only the faculty committee on admissions can make exceptions.' Elon College (N.C.) "Transfer

students with less than a 'C' average have little chance of acceptance unless they are commuters." University of Texas at Austen "most likely not" University of Virginia

(Charlottesville) Texas Christian University University of Houston (Texas)

University of Richmond (Va.) Randolph-Macon Woman's College (Lynchburg, Va.) University of Miami (Fla.) Vanderbilt University (Tenn.) University of Dallas (Texas) Gilford College (N.C.) Norfolk State College (Va.) Trinity College (Texas) would require a 2.5 on 4.0 scale Morehead State University (Ky.)

Newcomb College of Tulane University (New Orleans) "A 'B' average is required of students seeking transfer." University of North Carolina at

Chapel Hill Furman University (S.C.) Salem College (N.C.) George Mason College (Va.) Lynchburg College (Va.) Middle Tennessee State University (Murfreesboro, Tenn.)

Virginia Military Institute Loyola University (New Orleans) "Day School - No" "Evening Division - yes" University of Alabama Southern Methodist University (Texas)

Eastern Kenturcky University College of William and Mary (Va.) Belmont College (Tenn.)

our curricula are accepted." Georgia Southern College "The College does not provide a policy which will grant 'conditional admissions' to a transfer student. A student must be eligible to return to his former institution and maintain a minimum grade point average over all college

work previously attempted." Centre College (Ky.) Tift College (Ga.) **Texas A&M University** Wofford College (S.C.) Columbia College (S.C.) Would be willing to grant admission if student showed promise of completion." College of the Ozarks (Ark.) "Yes, under certain conditions." Southwestern University (Texas)

Texas Lutheran College Florida Southern College George Peabody College for Teachers (Tenn.) Campbell College (N.C.) Averett College (Va.)

Presbyterian College (S.C.) University of South Alabama "Yes. The grad point average required for admission as a transfer student is as follows: CLEAR (not conditional), Freshman-1.50, Sophomore-1.50, Junior-1.70, Senior-2.00. PROBATIONARY AC-CEPTANCE; Freshman-1.30, Sophomore-1.40, Junior-1.50, Karen Nix Senior-1.90.

individual basis" Mary Boldwin College (Va.) "Certainly!" Carson-Newman College

(Tenn.) "Our committee sometimes permits this." Lenoir Rhyne College (N.C.) Carl Cunningham Lincoln Memorial University Willie Davis

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tivities, including supervisea the cafeteria of the Student Center. This committee shall plan for activities connected with

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