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Starting Over

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Junior transfer students comprise what may be the most neglected and least visible minority at the University of North Carolina.

No organized coalition works to improve the lots of junior transfers, nor does any specific office cater to their academic or personal needs. But transfer students, who number approximately 1,600-1,700 in any given semester, encounter problems and frustrations unlike those of other students at the University.

"I feel like I've come in during the middle of a movie," said Lisa Simmons, who transferred last fall from Lees McRae, a junior college in Banner Elk. "It's like I've missed something strategic."

Approximately 884 transfer students entered Carolina during the summer and fall terms of 1979, said Timothy Sanford, assistant director of institutional research at UNC. The number of transfers enrolled, however, fluctuated during the five-year period since fall

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