



April/May 2013

President's Corner

Happy Spring.....well almost if the weather would only cooperate! There are many exciting things transpiring on the MACRAO home front so I would like to keep everyone up-to-date with the latest information:

- Due to boilerplate language in the FY2012 higher education appropriations legislation, the State of Michigan formed a Committee on the Transferability of Core College Courses that was focused on revising the existing MACRAO agreement. Representatives were selected from the legislature, as well as institutional members from the Michigan Association of Community Colleges and the Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan. Initial testimony with the State took place in March 2013 and now the document is under final revision to begin sharing with the public. The new document will be called the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA), and MACRAO will be playing a critical role in rolling out this new agreement. MACRAO will be creating an Ad Hoc Committee- selected by the Executive Committee-that will include community college representatives, public university representatives and members that served on the original transferability committee. This Ad Hoc Committee has been charged with creating a MTA Articulation Handbook, communication with all Michigan institutions for signatures to the MTA and a process for evaluation and review. There will be more information to follow once the Ad-Hoc Committee is formed.
- Katherine McMullen has agreed to continue to serve as Past President for the 2014 year. This will extend Katherine's term to 5 years. The Executive Committee is excited that Katherine will continue in this roll and thank her for her continued leadership in MACRAO.
- I encourage individuals to attend the Summer Summit as there will be critical information shared in regards to the many upcoming changes with the MACRAO Agreement, soon to be the Michigan Transfer Agreement, uniform Veteran Transcripts, Reverse Transfer Agreements and Legislative updates. For those of you that typically attend the Spring Drive-In, much of the material covered at that workshop will be discussed so I encourage you to attend! It is in beautiful Mackinaw City so you could even make a long weekend out of the conference!
- Our Professional Development Workshop planning is underway so watch for upcoming announcements. What a great opportunity to send your staff or attend yourself to this workshop. We all could learn new tips and tricks to make our office environment the best it can be – so please plan to attend!

There is a lot activity transpiring as we head into the Spring and Summer months with MACRAO. I encourage you to attend any and all upcoming workshops as well as getting more involved with MACRAO! Several committees still need membership and we would love to have you serve with your many talents! Thanks so much for all being apart of this wonderful organization.

~Carrie

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Bridge Vista Beach Hotel
& Convention Center
Mackinaw City MI

Thank you for your work in making the upcoming conference a success. The following survey form will allow the Great Lakes Program Committee to collect information about sessions from each state organization.

Save the Date!! Build Bridges for Michigan Students

The College Articulation Committee is hosting the 2013 Transfer Summer Summit on June 20-21 at the Bridge Vista Beach Hotel & Conference Center in Mackinaw City, Michigan. Learn more about the location by going to [Bridge Vista](#).

This event, "*Building Bridges for the Michigan Transfer Student*", provides articulation and transfer practitioners with a variety of college transfer student related hot topics presented and discussed in a relaxed, comfortable setting. We anticipate there will be 75 or more Michigan higher education professionals in attendance.

Participants at the Transfer Summit represent public and private universities, as well as community colleges. All are strong advocates for students and dedicated to creating structures that promote true educational opportunities for the transfer student.

The College Articulation Committee welcomes your suggestions regarding session topics, as well as presenters for this workshop. Because there will not be a Registrar's Drive-In this Spring, we hope to include transfer-related topics of interest to those who work in the Registrar's Office. Your ideas will help the committee to make this a timely and productive program.

Registration for the Transfer Summit opened in early March with an early bird registration fee of \$75.00. After May 20th, the regular rate of \$90.00 will be in effect. Hotel reservations must be made by May 15, 2013, for the reduced hotel rate of \$79.79 (plus taxes) per night for court-side rooms and \$99.79 (plus taxes) per night for lakeside rooms.

For more information contact Cary Vajda, 989-832-7296, cvajda@nmu.edu or Lee Cruppenink, 810-762-3301, leecrupp@umflint.edu.

Please join us on June 20-21 for "*Building Bridges for the Michigan Transfer Student*".

2013 Great Lakes Conference Session Proposals

The Great Lakes Conference (Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana) will take place in Indianapolis from November 6-8, 2013. Committees in all three states have been hard at work submitting session proposals, but at-large members are most welcome to submit a proposal(s) as well.

Please submit your proposal(s) as soon as possible utilizing the Survey Monkey submission tool:

http://www.ohioacrao.org/conference_home/gl2013_sessions.html

The Local Arrangements Committee looks forward to receiving any session proposals from you. Do not hesitate to contact John Meldrum (meldrum.john@shms.edu) should you have any questions.

MACRAO Movers and Shakers



Congrats go out **Christopher W. Tremblay**, who will begin a new appointment as Associate Provost for Enrollment Management at Western Michigan University, beginning May 6. Chris was formally the Assistant Vice Chancellor for enrollment at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Read the article about Chris here: <http://wmich.edu/news/2013/03/5734>

Attention – Seeking Nominations for MACRAO Leadership



Each year, the MACRAO Nomination Committee solicits leaders to fill upcoming Executive Committee and Nomination Committee vacancies. This year, we are seeking nominations for:

MACRAO Executive Committee Vice-President (2013-2014)

MACRAO General Description of Position:

The vice-president shall be officially responsible for MACRAO committee membership. The vice-president may also be given special assignments by the president or president-elect including ex officio membership on the local arrangements committee. The vice-president shall become president-elect at the end of his/her term.

Duties:

- Serves on the MACRAO Executive Committee and regularly attends Executive Committee meetings.
- Works with the Executive Committee in determining site for future conference.
- Serves as the main liaison with the committee chairs and get them regular updates.
- Plans leadership summit (along with the president).
- Makes sure all committees have chairs and co-chairs.
- Updates leadership manual and publishes on the web.
- Makes sure there are an adequate number of members on each committee.
- Welcomes new members as they join a committee.
- Maintains MACRAO's on-line committee membership list.
- Coordinates with all the chairs their annual reports for the annual conference.
- Works with LAC for gifts for committee chairs, Local Arrangements Committee and Executive Committee.
- Prepares the certificate list for committee members and Executive Committee.
- Sends thank you notes or emails to outgoing committee members.
- Facilitates the committee meeting/session at the annual conference.
- Gives report at the annual conference.

MACRAO Nomination Committee Member from a 4-Year Public University (2013-2014; 1-Year Term)

MACRAO Nomination Committee Member from a 4-Year Private College/University (2013-2014; 1-Year Term)

MACRAO Nomination Committee Member from a 2-Year College (2013-2014; 1-Year Term)

General Description of Position:

To bring forward a slate of nominees for Executive Committee vacancies and the Nomination Committee positions at-large.

The Nomination Committee is looking for individuals who have held MACRAO leadership positions in the past, are interested in taking on more responsibility, and are committed to leading. You can nominate yourself or someone you think would provide leadership for MACRAO. **Please submit name(s), contact details and the position(s) being nominated for by Friday, May 24, 2013 to Katherine McMullen (kmmcmull@oaklandcc.edu).**

We truly appreciate your assistance and participation.

The 2012-2013 MACRAO Nomination Committee

Katherine McMullen, Past President and Committee Chair

Debbie Harju, Past President

Karen Hutslar, Past President

Stephanie Jordan, 4-Year Public University Member

Donna Dunford, 4-Year Private University Member

Emily Clement, 2-Year College Member

Save the Date!!

Mark your calendars now for an exciting Summer work- shop hosted by a MACRAO committee

New Professionals Workshop August 14-15, 2013

Radisson – Lansing, MI



Sponsored by Secondary Schools Relations Committee

Nominate that Special Team

Do you have a special team that goes above and beyond what is expected?

Tell us in 500 words or less what made them special during the past year.

Friday, May 10, 2013 is the deadline so hurry and get those nominations in (available here: <https://www.macrao.org/Newsletter/News.asp>

)Send to: Doris Davis, Wayne State University, 5057 Woodward Suite 5000 Detroit, MI 48202 or email: dorisdavis@wayne.edu

Stay on Top of It... Save this date

Professional Development Workshop

When: FRIDAY, JUNE 7TH, 2013

Where: Walsh College – Novi Campus

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

THEME: “Staying On Top Of It All”

Mark Your Calendars



The 2013 Great Lakes Conference is scheduled for **Wednesday – Friday, November 6-8, 2013** at the Sheraton Indianapolis Hotel at Keystone Crossing in Indianapolis, Indiana. The theme is “Racing to the Future”.

Some key items about this conference are as follows:

The keynote speaker will be Mike Reilly, Executive Director of AACRAO

The Wednesday night dinner will be a dinner theatre presentation of Les Miserables

Friday, November 8th will be a spirit day and we hope you will proudly wear items from your institution.

The cost will be \$240 for the early bird rate and \$265 for the late rate.

We hope to have the registration site up by June for people who would like to register and pay out of this fiscal year. Look for more details to come. We hope to see you there!

Outstanding Transfer Award Nominations

The MACRAO Articulation Committee is pleased to accept nominations for the 2013 Outstanding Transfer Award Program. In an effort to celebrate the many initiatives across our accomplished state that serve to support and assist transfer students in meeting their educational objectives, we are calling for nominations to formally recognize these premier programs. The winner will be invited to conduct a session and receive their award at this year’s Tri-State conference with Ohio and Indiana, which will be held at the Sheraton at Keystone Crossing in Indianapolis, Indiana November 6-8, 2013. The deadline date for all nominations is August 1, 2013. We realize that it's a busy time of year but don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to recognize a deserving program. The [2013 Outstanding Transfer Program Award nomination form](#) can be found as a PDF on the MACRAO website under the [member information link](#). Please forward nomination forms and supporting materials (if applicable) about your program to:

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Questions about the program may be directed to Sylvia Stancil at [\(313\) 577-4902](tel:(313)577-4902), or Susan Cushnier, [\(313\) 593-5659](tel:(313)593-5659).