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## Phi Theta Kappa Recognizes 208 Colleges for Exemplary Transfer Pathways

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Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society (PTK) has named 208 colleges and universities to its 2023 Transfer Honor Roll in recognition of the dynamic pathways they have created to support community college transfer students.

The <u>Transfer Honor Roll</u> is determined by 40 key metrics related to the support and success of transfer students, including college cost and financial aid, campus life for transfer, admission practices, and bachelor's degree completion. The Transfer Honor Roll was based on analysis from the National Student Clearinghouse, and on data submitted through the four-year institution's profile on <u>PTK Connect</u>, Phi Theta Kappa's online tool designed to help students find their best-fit colleges and career pathways.

Colleges completing the PTK Connect profile are given a Transfer Friendliness Rating. The Honor Roll is chosen from among the top 25 percent highest-rated colleges.

Spotlighted at the 2022 American Council on Education (ACE) conference, the Transfer Honor Roll recognizes the importance of creating strong transfer pathways that lead to excellence and success among community college transfer students, and this year's winners had exceptional outcomes, and several of these included:

- Average percent of transfer in undergraduate population 43%
- Average bachelor's degree completion rate among transfers **66%**
- Average credit transferred toward a degree major and/or plan 85%
- Average percent of transfer students receiving merit-based financial aid 73%

"The goal of most students attending community college is a bachelor's degree, but few do because of financial barriers and the complexities of the transfer process," says Dr. Lynn Tincher-Ladner, President and CEO of Phi Theta Kappa. "We are proud to recognize the exceptional colleges and universities that go above and beyond to create accessible pathways to bachelor's degree completion for community college transfer students."

Adelphi University Albion College Alma College Anna Maria College Antioch University - Santa Antioch University - Seattle Barbara **Appalachian State** Arcadia University Arizona State University University Athens State University Augsburg University Baldwin Wallace University **Barton College** Bay Path University Belhaven University Bellevue University **Beloit College Bentley University** Binghamton University Blackburn College Blue Mountain Christian University **Bluffton University Bradley University** Bryant University Buena Vista University Carroll College Carson-Newman University Carthage College Chatham University **Clarke University** College for Creative Columbia College (SC) Concordia University St. **Studies** Paul Cornell College Cumberland University Dallas Baptist University Delaware Valley University **DePaul University** Drake University Duquesne University East Texas Baptist Eastern Illinois University University Eastern Kentucky Eckerd College Eastern Oregon University University Elizabethtown College Elmhurst University Elmira College Freed-Hardeman Florida International Florida Southern College University University Friends University Georgetown University Georgian Court University School of Continuing

Members of the 2023 Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Honor Roll are:

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| Gonzaga University                    | Grand View University            | Greenville University               |
| Hamline University                    | Hiram College                    | Holy Family University              |
| Hood College                          | Illinois College                 | Illinois Institute of<br>Technology |
| Illinois State University             | Immaculata University            | Iowa State University               |
| Kansas State University               | Kean University                  | King's College                      |
| Kutztown University                   | La Salle University              | Lake Forest College                 |
| Lawrence University                   | Lebanon Valley College           | Lees-McRae College                  |
| LIM College                           | Lindenwood University            | Lipscomb University                 |
| Long Island University Post           | Loyola Marymount<br>University   | Loyola University Chicago           |
| Loyola University Maryland            | Loyola University New<br>Orleans | Marian University                   |
| Marquette University                  | Maryville College                | McMurry University                  |
| Merrimack College                     | Millikin University              | Millsaps College                    |
| Mississippi State University          | Monmouth College                 | Mount Mercy University              |
| Mount St. Joseph<br>University        | Mount St. Mary's<br>University   | Nebraska Wesleyan<br>University     |
| Neumann University                    | New College of Florida           | New York Institute of<br>Technology |
| Newberry College                      | Newman University                | Niagara University                  |
| North Carolina Wesleyan<br>University | North Central College            | Northeastern State<br>University    |
| Northern Arizona<br>University        | Northern Michigan<br>University  | Northland College                   |
| Notre Dame of Maryland<br>University  | Oakland University               | Oglethorpe University               |
| Ohio Dominican University             | Ohio University                  | Ohio University - OHIO<br>Online    |

| Pacific University                         | Palo Alto University                      | Peru State College                                      |
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| Prescott College                           | Radford University                        | Randolph-Macon College                                  |
| Rensselaer Polytechnic<br>Institute        | Rider University                          | Roanoke College   |
| Robert Morris University                   | Rockhurst University                      | Roger Williams University                               |
| Rollins College                            | Rowan University                          | Russell Sage College                                    |
| Rutgers University Newark                  | Saint Joseph's University                 | Saint Peter's University                                |
| Saint Xavier University                    | School of the Art Institute<br>of Chicago | Seattle University                                      |
| Shepherd University                        | Simmons University                        | Simpson College   |
| Southern Illinois University<br>Carbondale | Southern Wesleyan<br>University           | Spring Hill College Mobile                              |
| Springfield College                        | St. Cloud State University                | St. Edward's University                                 |
| St. John Fisher University                 | St. Mary's College of<br>California       | Stephens College  |
| Stevenson University                       | Stockton University                       | Suffolk University                                      |
| SUNY Cortland                              | SUNY Geneseo                              | SUNY Polytech Institute                                 |
| Tabor College                              | Texas A&M University-<br>Corpus Christi   | Texas Lutheran University                               |
| Texas Tech University                      | Texas Wesleyan University                 | The College of Saint Rose                               |
| The University of Texas at<br>Arlington    | Thiel College                             | Trevecca Nazarene<br>University                         |
| Trinity Christian College                  | Trocaire College                          | Tulane University School of<br>Professional Advancement |
| Union Institute & University               | University of Arizona<br>Global Campus    | University of Baltimore                                 |
| University of Colorado<br>Boulder          | University of Colorado<br>Denver          | University of Evansville                                |
| University of Illinois<br>Urbana-Champaign | University of Iowa                        | University of Kansas                                    |

| University of Louisville                     | University of Maine In<br>Orono     | University of<br>Massachusetts Lowell |
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| University of Mississippi                    | University of Missouri-<br>Columbia | University of Mount Union             |
| University of New Haven                      | University of North Texas           | University of Northern<br>Iowa        |
| University of Pittsburgh at<br>Bradford      | University of San Francisco         | University of Southern<br>Mississippi |
| University of Tampa                          | University of the Incarnate<br>Word | University of Tulsa                   |
| Ursinus College                              | Ursuline College                    | Utica University                      |
| Valparaiso University                        | Wagner College                      | Walsh College                         |
| Washington State<br>University Global Campus | Wayne State University              | Webster University                    |
| Wells College                                | Western Governors<br>University     | Western Kentucky<br>University        |
| Whitworth University                         | Wichita State University            | Wilkes University                     |
| Wilmington College                           | Wilmington University               | Wisconsin Lutheran<br>College         |
| York College of<br>Pennsylvania              |                                     |                                       |

## About Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa is the premier honor society recognizing the academic achievement of students at associate degree-granting colleges and helping them to grow as scholars and leaders. The Society is made up of more than 3.8 million members and nearly 1,300 chapters in 10 countries, with approximately 240,000 active members in the nation's colleges. Learn more at <u>ptk.org</u>.

