Florida Automated System for Transferring Educational Records

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FASTER Overview

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In accordance with State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C., *Articulation Between and Among Universities, Florida Colleges, and School Districts*, the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) established a standard format for the electronic exchange of student transcripts and educational records, as referenced in the following policy statement adopted at their February 28, 2018 meeting.

"It is the policy of the Articulation Coordinating Committee that all student transcripts exchanged between Florida public schools, state colleges, and state universities, and the Florida Department of Education be accomplished via FASTER using the FASTER formats and the FASTER transmission system. This policy is not intended to prohibit or restrict school districts or state colleges and universities from using other methods to provided hard-copy versions or PDF versions of student transcripts for students to use when applying for employment or as needed for postsecondary institutions that do not participate in FASTER."



Statewide Reverse Transfer



FASTER/SPEEDE Cutover Changes 2021-2022

Cutover <u>changes</u> made on October 4, 2021, associated with the reverse transfer process:

• <u>P01 – Demographic Record Format</u>:

- Item 8: General Education Met. Item is now a required field.
- Item 11c: New item Reverse Transfer Award Code.
- Item 11d: New item Reverse Transfer Option.
- <u>P07 Degrees Record Format, Item 5, Degree Level</u>:
 - Added a new code "6" for Apprenticeship.
 - Added a new code "7" for Certificate of Professional Preparation.
 - Note: The verbiage for these two new codes will display on the Postsecondary printed transcript in the 'AWARDED THE STUDENT THE DEGREE' section.



P01 Demographic Record Format



FASTER/SPEEDE and Reverse Transfer

The following fields on the P01 Demographic Record Format can assist institutions with determining student eligibility for participation in the statewide reverse transfer process.

- Foreign Language Requirement
- Gordon Rule Requirement
- General Education Met
- Civic Literacy Competency Indicator
- Reverse Transfer Option
- Academic Credit Hours Earned



Foreign Language Requirement

Field Characteristics: A = Alphabetic only A/N = Alphameric N = Numeric only Z = Zoned numeric P = Packed decimal R = Right justified with leading zeros L = Left justified			 Format Characteristics: Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript Number: P01 Record Size: 1020
6 24-24	1	A	 Foreign Language Requirement* This element denotes whether the student has demonstrated competency in a foreign language as required by the Florida College System and Board of Governors and s. 1007.25, F.S. <u>Code Definition</u> Y Student has demonstrated competency in a foreign language. N Student has not demonstrated competency in a foreign language. X Student is exempt from the foreign language competency requirement. Z Information not recorded.



Gordon Rule Requirement

Field Characteristics: A = Alphabetic only A/N = Alphameric N = Numeric only Z = Zoned numeric P = Packed decimal R = Right justified with leading zeros L = Left justified			nly / ic nal d with	Format Characteristics: Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript Number: P01 Record Size: 1020
7	25-25	1	A	Gordon Rule Requirement*This element denotes whether or not the student has demonstrated the writing and computational skills required by State Rule 6A-10.30.Code Definition YYRequirement has been met NNRequirement has not been met ZInformation not recorded.



General Education Met

Field Characteristics:	Format Characteristics:
A = Alphabetic only A/N = Alphameric N = Numeric only Z = Zoned numeric P = Packed decimal R = Right justified with leading zeros	Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript Number: P01 Record Size: 1020
L = Left justified	
8 26-26 1 A	General Education Met* This element denotes whether or not the student has met the institution's general education and/or AA degree requirements. <u>Code Definition</u> A All requirements have been met for the AA degree except for CLAST. This value is not valid for AA degrees earned after June 30, 2011. Y AA General education requirements met. N General education requirements not met. (Neither AA or AS.) S AS General education requirements met. X Information is not available. Note that a value of 'A' applies only to an AA degree. Eligibility to graduate is not necessarily equivalent to a value of 'A'.



Civic Literacy Competency Indicator

Field Character A = Alphabet A/N Alphame N = Numeric Z = Zoned nu P = Packed d R = Right jus leading z L = Left justi	ic only ric only umeric ecimal tified with eros	Format Characteristics: Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript Number: P01 Record Size: 1020
11b 30-30	1 A	 Civic Literacy Competency Indicator* In accordance with s. 1007.25 F.S.(4), this item denotes whether the student has met the Civic Literacy Competency Graduation Requirement or the requirement is not applicable to the student. Code Definition Y The student has met the graduation requirement. N The student has not met the graduation requirement. Z The requirement is not applicable to this student.



Reverse Transfer Award Code

Field Characteris	tics:	Format Characteristics:
A = Alphabetic A/N $= Alphameric$	•	Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript Number: P01
N = Numeric or Z = Zoned num P = Packed dec R = Right justific leading zero L = Left justific	eric imal ied with os	Record Size: 1020
11c 31-31 1	A	 Reverse Transfer Award Code Identifies whether or not the Florida College System institution awarded the student an associate in arts (AA) degree under the statewide reverse transfer articulation agreement established in section s.1007.23, Florida Statutes. <u>Code Definition</u> A The AA was earned through standard means. The AA was not earned through the Statewide Reverse Transfer Articulation Agreement. B The AA was earned under the Statewide Reverse Transfer Articulation Agreement. Z The degree earned was not an AA. blank Not applicable.



Reverse Transfer Option

Field Characteristics: A = Alphabetic only A/N _Alphameric	Format Characteristics: Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript
 N = Numeric only Z = Zoned numeric P = Packed decimal R = Right justified with leading zeros 	Number: P01 Record Size: 1020
L = Left justified	
11d 32-32 1 A	Reverse Transfer Option This element denotes whether or not the student has opted into the statewide reverse transfer process, based on local documentation.
	Code DefinitionYStudent has opted in to participate.NStudent has opted out of participation.blank Information is not applicable to this student.



Academic Credit Hours Earned

Field Characteristics: A = Alphabetic only A/N = Alphameric N = Numeric only			Format Characteristics: Name: Fixed Length Information for Postsecondary Transcript
			Number: P01
Z = Zoned numeric P = Packed decimal R = Right justified with leading zeros L = Left justified			Record Size: 1020
47 899- 906	8	N	Academic Credit Hours Earned This is the total number of credits (credit hours) attempted and earned and included. Format: 9(6)V99





P07 Degrees Record Format



FASTER/SPEEDE and Reverse Transfer

The following field on the P07 Degrees Record Format can assist institutions with determining student eligibility for participation in the statewide reverse transfer process.

• Degree Level





Degree Level

Field Character	ristic	s:	Format Characteristics:
A = Alphabetic only		nly	Name: Degree Format for Postsecondary Transcript
A/N = Alphameric N = Numeric only Z = Zoned numeric P = Packed decimal R = Right justified with leading zeros L = Left justified			Number: P07
		ic nal	Record Size: 1020
5 21-21	1	A/N	Degree Level*
			 This indicates the level of the degree or certificate awarded to the student by the sendii institution. <u>Code Definition</u> G GED H High School Diploma U College Ready Diploma 6 Apprenticeship A Associate in Arts, AA B Baccalaureate C Associate in Science, AS J Associate Degree, AA/AS unknown Y Associate in Applied Science I Advanced Technical Certificate K Certificate, AS 1 Associate in Science, Statewide Articulated AS 2 Applied Technology Diploma 3 Postsecondary certificate or diploma (less than one year) 4 Postsecondary certificate or diploma (one year or more but less than two years) 5 Educator Preparation Institute



Degree Level continued

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s indicates the level of the degree or certificate awarded to the student by the sendinitution. de Definition Other Doctorate Advanced Master's Dentistry, DDS or DMD Law, LLB or JD Master's Other First Professional (other than F, L, V, W or X) Engineer Specialist Certificate Veterinary Medicine, DVM Pharmacy (Pharmd) Medicine, MD Certificate of Professional Preparation No Degree Not Reported
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SPEEDE Changes

For SPEEDE EDI participants, there are two new data elements: postsecondary Reverse Transfer Award Code and postsecondary Reverse Transfer Option.

These indicators will be conveyed as a RAP (Requirement, Attribute and Proficiency) segment.



Reverse Transfer Award Code

RAP segment at position 1/067

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If not blank, generate RAP segment with RAP01 = 9FL - Florida State Adopted Test or Requirement RAP02 = REVERSE TRANSFER AWARD CODE RAP04 = A - Attribute and

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RAP03 = AA EARNED THROUGH
STANDARD MEANS
RAP05 = Y
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RAP03 = AA EARNED THROUGH
REVERSE TRANSFER
RAP05 = Y
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RAP03 = DEGREE EARNED WAS NOT AN AA RAP05 = N

Example to show the student has met the requirement:

 RAP|9FL|REVERSE TRANSFER AWARD CODE|AA EARNED THROUGH REVERSE TRANSFER|A|Y[^]

Example to show the student has not met the requirement:

 RAP|9FL|REVERSE TRANSFER AWARD CODE|DEGREE EARNED WAS NOT AN AA|A|N^



Reverse Transfer Option

RAP segment at position 1/067

If not blank, generate RAP segment with RAP01 = 9FL - Florida State Adopted Test or Requirement RAP02 = REVERSE TRANSFER OPTION RAP04 = A - Attribute and

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RAP03 = STUDENT OPTED TO
PARTICIPATE
RAP05 = Y
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RAP03 = STUDENT OPTED OUT OF PARTICIPATION RAP05 = N Example to show the student has met the requirement:

 RAP|9FL|REVERSE TRANSFER OPTION|STUDENT OPTED TO PARTICIPATE|A|Y[^]

Example to show the student has not met the requirement:

 RAP|9FL|REVERSE TRANSFER OPTION|STUDENT OPTED OUT OF PARTICIPATION|A|N^



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Resources



Resources

- <u>Statewide Reverse Transfer Articulation Agreement</u> <u>between the Florida College System and the State</u> <u>University System of Florida</u>
- <u>Reverse Transfer Website</u>
- FASTER User Manual



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