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Upcoming Activities

Data
Submission
Target Dates:

CC Annual File
1/30

CC Course File
2/13

*Optional CC Spring
Registration File*
3/31

*UV Fall End-of-
Semester Files*
2/13

*UV Spring 21-Day
Files*
3/13

ASSIST 2009
Spring Meeting:
April 2
at Rio
followed by AZAIR
on April 3

ASSIST Updates

Tentative ASSIST/AZAIR Spring Meeting Plans

Join us on **Thursday, April 2** at the **Rio Salado Conference Center in Tempe** for the annual ASSIST users meeting. The ASSIST Steering Committee will also convene, possibly for a working luncheon before the general users meeting depending on the time slots available in the AZAIR Thursday program schedule. Look for further information on times and general AZAIR registration information in the coming weeks.

ASSIST Special Training and Consultation Offered on April 1

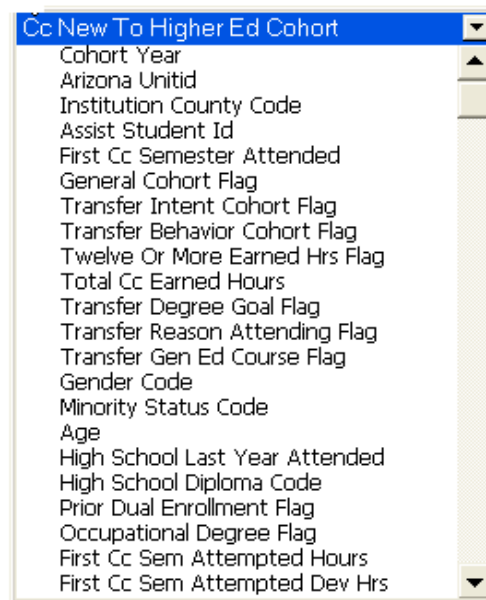
We would like to extend an invitation to ASSIST users who will be attending the annual ASSIST meetings to arrange a time to visit the ASSIST staff at our location near **University and Rural in Tempe** to get further training on a topic of your own interest! The ASSIST staff will be available the **Wednesday prior to the annual meeting** and would love to work with you in small groups or one-on-one to develop new queries, extend old ones, or learn techniques you have seen but haven't learned yet. To take advantage of this opportunity, please send a note to assist-q@asu.edu describing what you would like to learn. We will get in touch with you to arrange a time to visit us during our open office hours. It may be possible to schedule times other than Wednesday also. Note... this training is in addition to our annual users group meeting where we demo new queries and techniques. These individualized sessions are intended to provide a more hands-on experience.

New-to-Higher Education Community College Cohort Table

This new table identifies new students enrolled at a community college for the **first-time in any Arizona public higher education institution**. First semester enrollment may be **full-** or **part-time** in either the **fall** or **spring** semester.

This table allows you to more easily define a cohort of new students who exhibit various transfer intent behaviors in order to examine their community college outcomes and measure transfer activity to the universities.

Data have been loaded and are available for at least four cohort years beginning with academic year 2001-2002 for 18 of the 19 community colleges.



As seen in the data elements above, new-to-higher education cohorts can be identified by various levels.

- The **General Cohort**, those who earned 12 or more hours during the first three years of attendance at any Arizona community college, is the broadest level of inclusion for the calculation of community college transfer rates.
- The **Transfer Intent Cohort** is in the intermediate range.
- The **Transfer Behavior Cohort** is the narrowest level. The Transfer Behavior Cohort is the most commonly used cohort for external reporting.

Detailed explanations of each cohort are listed in the table's data elements recently posted on the ASSIST website.

http://www.asu.edu/assist/publications/CC_NEW_TO_HIGHER_ED_COHORT_Table_Description_v2.doc

http://www.asu.edu/assist/publications/CC_NEW_TO_HIGHER_ED_COHORT_Data_Elements_November2008.doc

Recent Developments

CC GENDER and MINORITY STATUS CODE Tables Updated

During the transition from using numerical values to the more intuitive use of representative alpha characters, these two code tables have been updated to include the newer alpha characters used in the CC SEMESTER REGISTRATION table. Therefore your pivots and reports for concurrent enrollment with gender or ethnicity breakouts may be easily labeled.

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The older and newer values are listed below:

Gender Codes	Older numerical	Newer alpha
Unknown	0	U
Male	1	M
Female	2	F
Minority Status		
Unknown	0	U
American Indian	1	N
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	A
Black	3	B
Hispanic	4	H
White (non-Hispanic)	5	W
International	6	X

CC DUAL COURSE PREFIX CROSSWALK Documentation Posted

The CC DUAL COURSE PREFIX CROSSWALK table has been updated with the CIP code descriptions for all those courses reported in the initial dual enrollment reporting cycle. The documentation was recently posted on the web.

http://www.asu.edu/assist/publications/CC_DUAL_COURSE_PREFIX_CROSSWALK_Table_Description_September2008.doc

http://www.asu.edu/assist/publications/CC_DUAL_COURSE_PREFIX_CROSSWALK_Data_Elements_September2008.doc

Fall 08 Semester Registration Data is Available Now

Fall 08 registration data are available for 15 community colleges in six districts. These fall registration records, along with the universities' fall enrollment data, allow for concurrent enrollment queries to be run among 18 of our 22 participating ASSIST colleges and universities.

Fall registration data are available for: *Arizona Western College, Central Arizona College, Cochise College, Maricopa Community Colleges* (GCC, GWCC, MCC, PC, RSCC, SCC, SMCC, PVCC, CGCC, and EMC), *Pima Community College, Yavapai College, Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University, and the University of Arizona.*

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