

ACADEMYONE INC., SELECTED BY PENNSYLVANIA TO DELIVER COLLEGE TRANSFER SOLUTION

AcademyOne Inc. to deliver innovative solution for colleges and universities, addressing student transfer issues.

WEST CHESTER, PA January 16, 2007 -- AcademyOne Inc., providing a foundation for institutions to enable seamless student transfer, was awarded a contract to work with the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) to support PA House Bill 185. AcademyOne will support a statewide transfer articulation management process enabling fourteen PA State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) Universities and the fourteen PA Community Colleges to quickly align their course offerings to facilitate student transfer. PDE chose AcademyOne to harness and simplify the complexity of student transfer processes including the development and maintenance of course equivalencies. Activities are underway supporting an aggressive project timeline that will bring up a student view later this year.

The State's focus is on a well-established problem: enabling student transfer while maintaining the student's investment in their prior coursework. The lack of course alignment across institutional boundaries can prevent student mobility. Pennsylvania's legislation HB185 directs each of the fourteen state universities and the fourteen community colleges to establish thirty credits as transferable. Although all institutions have some articulation agreements, none have reciprocal agreements across all of the state's colleges and universities. AcademyOne's tools make it possible to create the necessary course equivalencies efficiently and effectively. AcademyOne also supports the voluntary participation of Pennsylvania's state-related and independent institutions. The tools enable the institutions to not only meet the legislation, but progress beyond the thirty credits.

"We are very excited to team with Pennsylvania to support their goals of enabling student transfer. Establishing course equivalency requirements will enable students to build a map to chart their educational progress and maintain their investment not only educationally, but financially as well. AcademyOne's primary interest is helping the institutions and state address transfer issues in a way that preserves the quality and integrity of instructional programs" said David Moldoff, CEO of AcademyOne.

The Pennsylvania institutions will be using AcademyOne's web-hosted Course Atlas and Course Equivalency Management Center applications which together provides institutions with a centralized repository of courses and course equivalencies. The Course Atlas database stores over 4 million courses nationwide. AcademyOne will also provide its Academic Navigator, a free student centric view of the courses and course equivalencies in the AcademyOne database.

About AcademyOne

AcademyOne is a team of professionals with a diverse array of academic, administrative and technology experiences focused on serving the enrollment and transfer-related needs of students, advisors and their institutions via a suite of applications hosted on the collegetransfer.org website. The company is based in West Chester, Pennsylvania, USA and can be reached at 610-436-5680.

Pennsylvania's Higher Education Landscape

Higher education in Pennsylvania is provided through 261 degree-granting institutions. There are 14 state universities in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, four state-related universities, 11 state-aided colleges and universities, 14 community colleges and nearly 200 independent colleges, universities and specialized degree-granting institutions.

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