



## CWID Messenger: December 2015

The CWID team at the [Office of Community College Research and Leadership \(OCCRL\)](#) is pleased to share the newest installment of the *CWID Messenger* newsletter. The *CWID Messenger* updates subscribers on the latest publications, meetings, data, and other information related to reverse transfer. Visit the [CWID Resources](#) page to view previous editions of the messenger.

### New Grant Funds Studies on Helping Community College Students Earn Baccalaureate Degrees

A \$700,000 grant awarded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to OCCRL at the University of Illinois will fund new studies focused on helping community college transfer students earn baccalaureate degrees.

Researchers at OCCRL and the University of Utah, which will receive a sub-award under the project, will study the student- and institutional-level factors that promote or hinder transfer students' completion of bachelor's degrees.

Among the issues the researchers will examine are the impact of lost credits and "transfer shock," a term that refers to the decline in grade point average that many community college students experience after matriculating to four-year institutions.

Read the full [press release](#).

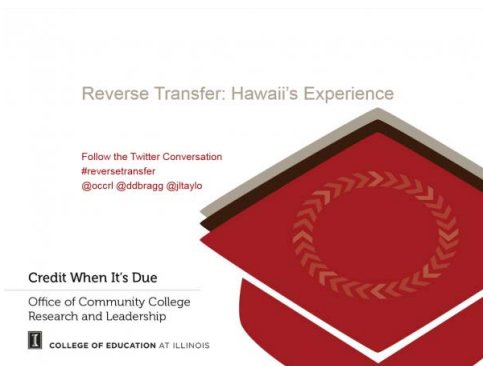
### [Reverse Transfer Featured in Community College Week](#)

[Moving Forward in Reverse: Reverse Transfer Policies Show Promising Results](#)

published on November 17, 2015 in Community College Week, illustrates the growing conversation around the value of reverse transfer. The article draws on OCCRL's research of reverse transfer to highlight early successes associated with reverse transfer, as well as, the potential for the movement to grow. Reader are encouraged to read the the



full [article](#) for insights into the impact of reverse transfer.



## **[Reverse Transfer Webinar Recording: Hawaii's Experience](#)**

This recording is the second webinar in a series of webinars that profile Credit When It's Due (CWID) state experiences with reverse transfer. This webinar featured Hawaii's reverse transfer program. The University of Hawaii system developed its own cloud-based, integrated,

online advising and degree attainment support system called STAR Academic Pathway, which has been enhanced to accommodate reverse transfer.

### Presenters

- Gary Rodwell, Office of Undergraduate Education, University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Debra Bragg, Gutgsell Endowed Professor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Jason Taylor, Assistant Professor, University of Utah

Download the [Webinar Slides](#).

Watch the [Webinar](#).

## CWID in the News

### **[UA, NWACC ink agreement](#)**

Northwest Arkansas Democrat Gazette | December 17, 2015

### **[A New Approach to Reverse Transfer](#)**

AACC 21st Century Center | December 15, 2015

### **[Transfer protocol to regent schools questioned](#)**

Iowa City Press-Citizen | November 23, 2015

### **[Regents committee to weigh options for streamlining transfer from community college to four-year school](#)**

The Gazette | November 23, 2015

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