Division of **Student Affairs and Academic Support**
University of South Carolina

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### Gamecock Gateway at a glance
Gamecock Gateway is a one-year residential bridge program and partnership between the University of South Carolina and Midlands Technical College. The program allows first-time students to complete their first 30 credit hours at Midlands Tech while living at and engaging in opportunities at UofSC.

- **108%** enrollment growth since Fall 2012
- **328** students enrolled in Gamecock Gateway in fall 2014
- **47%** of the students were male
- **53%** of the students were female

### Gamecock Gateway diversity
Gamecock Gateway serves students from a variety of ethnicities, cultures and backgrounds.

- **60%** White
- **26.5%** African-American
- **4.5%** Hispanic/Latino
- **4%** Two or more races
- **4%** Asian
- **0.5%** Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- **0.5%** Other

### Student involvement
In fall 2014, 205 transfer students reported participating in a campus life activity, including Carolina Productions, the Minority Assistance Peer Program and intramural soccer.

- Of the 46 counties in South Carolina, 33 were represented in Gamecock Gateway in 2014-15. A total of 328 South Carolinians took part in the bridge program.
- **74%** of the 2013-14 cohort enrolled at UofSC after their Gateway year.

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Resources for transfer students

Once they enroll at the University of South Carolina, Gamecock Gateway students have access to UofSC’s resources for transfers.

One-on-one support
The Student Success Center provides transfer students support post-orientation with both general and transfer-specific advisers, as well as a success coach, academic skills coaching and financial literacy consultations.

Transfer students also receive personalized outreach via emails to share important dates, events and information about campus culture and history.

Through student focus groups, a transfer experience survey and the newly developed Transfer Dialogue Group, the Student Success Center is working to assess the transfer experience to inform future interventions and opportunities.

Transfer Advising
Transfer Cross College Advising at UofSC helps students navigate between major requirements, determine class credit transfers and compare various majors and college program requirements.

Tau Sigma
Tau Sigma National Honor Society allows transfer students to be recognized for academic excellence and promotes their involvement in the community and on campus. To be eligible for Tau Sigma, transfer students must have earned a GPA of a 3.5 or higher after their first semester at UofSC.

MORE

Faculty can do

Guide students to the Leadership and Service Center to become involved on campus. For more information, visit www.sa.sc.edu/leadershipandservice.

Submit a Success Connect Referral by visiting the Information for Faculty page on the Success Connect website: www.sa.sc.edu/ssc.

Encourage students to reach out to the Student Success Center by calling 803-777-1000 or visiting www.sa.sc.edu/ssc.

Connect students to Off Campus Student Services to improve their on- and off-campus experiences. More information can be found at www.sa.sc.edu/ocss.