UW-Madison New Transfer Students
When do they become eligible to register\(^1\) and how does that compare with registration appointment times for corresponding continuing students?

One issue under discussion by the Committee on the Transfer Student Experience is the timing of registration for new transfer students. Most transfer students do not become eligible to register until weeks after the registration appointment times for continuing students.

The table below provides a striking visualization of the mismatch between the registration appointment times and the new transfer student admission cycle.

- For about 72\% of new transfer students, the earliest time they could become eligible to register would be after the earliest registration appointment time for freshmen.
- It is mid-July before almost all new transfer student records are processed.

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\(^1\) New students become eligible to register after Admissions has completed processing the admissions records and passes off the student records to the Registrar’s Office. After that happens, the Registrar’s Office can “term active” the student and the student will become eligible to register for courses.