Transfer Services Advising Guide

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Welcome!

We hope that you will find this transfer guide useful when considering transferring to a four-year college/university. Massasoit prides itself on assisting students who are looking to continue their educational plans beyond Massasoit.

You will find that when it comes to transferring to another college after Massasoit, many of the four-year colleges and universities will be excited to review qualified applicants such as yourself. You are already a successful college student who has completed college level courses; which is a great thing!

Massasoit Transfer Services are located at the Advisement & Counseling Center in the Student Center Building on the Brockton campus and the Administrative Wing of the Canton campus. You will find many great resources to help make informed choices regarding your academic future. It is our goal as a department to ensure that your questions and challenges are met with precise and informative answers.

We encourage you to review this guide and begin thinking about some of the questions you may have when considering transfer. Our Coordinator of Transfer Affairs and Academic Counselors at the Advisement & Counseling Center are here to assist you with your ticket to further education!

Sincerely,

Massasoit Transfer Services &
Advisement & Counseling Center
Transfer Resources at Massasoit

**College Transfer Fairs**

College Transfer Days at both the Massasoit Brockton and Canton campuses allow students to meet with four-year state and private college and university admissions representatives about transfer and articulation opportunities. Questions about transfer credit equivalencies, choices of majors and minors, student life and admissions are common. These fairs occur in the fall and spring academic semesters and students are strongly encouraged to attend.

**Transfer Presentations**

Transfer Presentations, held on both the Brockton and Canton campuses provide an opportunity for a four-year institution to talk in depth about the transfer process at their college/university. In this format, students are encouraged to ask questions while receiving an overview of the transfer and admission process. Throughout the year, Massasoit’s Advisement and Counseling Center schedules colleges and universities to come on campus to present. It is strongly suggested that students attend these presentations.

**Transfer Information Tables**

Throughout the academic semester, admissions and transfer representatives from 4-year colleges and universities will have information tables in highly populated student areas in both the Brockton and Canton campus. This is a great way for students to meet and greet potential schools throughout the semester.

Check out the Transfer Calendar on the Massasoit Transfer Website, for who’s coming to campus!

[www.massasoit.edu/transfer](http://www.massasoit.edu/transfer)
General Transfer Timeline by Credits

0-12 Credits

- Work closely with an academic counselor to plan your coursework and review your academic and transfer goals.
- Use your MyMassasoit Log-in, access “DegreeWorks” to understand your program requirements and map out your academic plan.
- Begin basic research on four-year institutions.
- Utilize the MyMassasoit Portal Advising Page and access Transfer Agreements or Transfer Advising Guides under the Advising Tips and Tools subfolder for specific transfer information.
- Visit the state-wide MassTransfer website at www.mass.edu/masstransfer for Associate to Bachelor (A2B) program maps that will lay out specific course work for your program of choice.
- If you plan on going to college full time and transfer to a state institution for your bachelor’s degree, attend a commonwealth commitment information session for potential participation and great financial savings on your academics

13-30 Credits

- Research colleges/universities that offer academic programs and activities that interest you.
- Request general admissions information from four-year institutions.
- Attend Massasoit transfer events and workshops during the academic year.
- Meet with an academic counselor at Massasoit to ensure transfer-friendly course selection and overall transfer goals.

31-45 Credits

- Attend transfer events and open houses at colleges/universities you wish to attend.
- Speak to an academic counselor and be sure you are on track with required coursework.
- Focus on the colleges where you plan to apply. Email or call the admissions office or transfer office with your questions. Contact your prospective major department to see if there are departmental admission requirements or open houses for your major.
- Begin general review of colleges/universities application materials and become familiar with transfer deadlines.
- Begin your college applications (remember transcripts, letters of recommendation).
- Research Financial Aid and apply for transfer scholarships if applicable.

46-61 Credits

- Review your DegreeWorks audit and make sure you are on track to graduate!
- Attend a Massasoit transfer event to finalize transfer plan with four-year colleges.
- If you are applying as a MassTransfer student, follow the MassTransfer application process on the Massasoit transfer website.
- Finalize and have your application in the mail and remember Financial Aid deadlines! Keep in mind that every school has its own admissions deadlines.
Finding the Right Fit

It is very important to do as much research as possible when choosing a new college or university. Research criteria should include both personal and academic reasons for the school of your choice. Here are some key factors to consider:

Location

- Where do you want to be?
- What region/climate are you most comfortable in?
- How far is it from home?
- Do you prefer small vs. large schools?
- Would you like an urban vs. rural (small town) setting?

Size

- Number of students on campus
- Faculty: Student Ratio
- Variety of facilities (labs, gyms, housing, student life activities, athletics & clubs)

Tip 1: The size of a school may have an effect on the amount of financial aid (grants, loans, scholarships, etc.) opportunities available to you.

Majors

- Do they offer the major you’re most interested in?
- What minors are available?
- How many of your credits will transfer in?

Cost/Financial Aid

- How much will it cost to attend?
- What percentage of students typically receive financial aid?
- What is the average amount of awards given?

Tip 2: Keep in mind, college is an investment in your future, but it does not have to be a burden of financial debt to you years after graduation.
Campus life

- What activities are available for students?
- Are there student support programs?
- Do they offer many internships?
- What dining services are available?

Tip 3: Getting a hands-on feel for the culture of college during a tour is a great way to answer the question, “Can I see myself here every day?”

*If you are a student who wants to get involved in student life activities, you will want to visit the student life office while visiting. Pick up a list of the student activities planned for the semester. If you have time, maybe attend an event if your guided tour allows.

Housing

- Do you want to live on campus or at home?
- What housing options are available for transfer students?
- What meal plans are available?
- What is the cost of campus housing vs. off-campus?

Tip 4: Living on-campus is a good way to include yourself in the everyday culture of the college; however, some students find it more beneficial to live off-campus (cost, better focus, & overall comfort).

Diversity

- How diverse is the student body?
- Do you prefer a single-sex setting?
- Does the college or university have a religious affiliation?
Comparison Charts

Below are a few charts to help you compare schools you might be interested in applying to. In each box, rank the schools from 1 to 5 (1= poor match, 5= perfect match) to see which schools best fit your requirements and expectations.

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Now that you have ranked your schools, it’s time to gather more information! Let’s get a better look at the schools which scored highest on your list. We’ve included important questions you may want to ask. Check out their website to gather what information you can. Then, give their Admissions Office a call to get your remaining questions answered. *Don’t forget to write down the contact information for the person you speak with!*

**General Questions:**
- Do you offer my major?
- Will my credits transfer? How/When will I know?
- What courses are recommended for transfer students to complete while in community college?
- Will a course with a C or D grade transfer?
- What are the math/science requirements for the program I am interested in?
- How will a withdrawal and/or repeats of a course impact my transfer opportunities?
- What is the maximum number of credits that can be transferred?
- Is this college/degree program accredited?

**Admissions Questions:**
- What are the requirements for transfer students?
- Do you require placement tests?
- Where and when can I get an application? Is there a fee? Are waivers available?
- Can I apply to more than one campus in your system? How? Can I transfer my application from one campus to another if I later change my mind?
- What materials do I need to submit with my application?
- When/how will I be notified if I have been accepted?
- Does my major require a separate application? Are there any additional application materials needed for this major? What are my options if I am not accepted into my desired major?
- What GPA is needed to get into the my major/program? Is that my cumulative GPA or program GPA?

**Academic Life Questions:**
- Is my major/program very competitive?
- What is the average class size?
- What resources do you offer students (free tutoring, Writing Center, etc.)?
- What services are available for students with disabilities? What documentation do I need to provide? Who do I need to meet with and when should I meet with them?
- Do you offer online courses?
- What programs do you offer which will support my major?
- How do I find my advisor’s name and contact information?
Cost & Financial Aid Questions:
- What is the cost of attendance (tuition and registration fees, books, housing, parking, etc.)? Are there any other fees? When do I pay them?
- Do I have to submit a deposit to confirm my intention to enroll? How much is it and when do I pay?
- What are the chances fees will increase, and when will I know if they do?
- Are there scholarships available? When is the priority deadline for scholarship applications?
- How can I increase my chances of getting a scholarship?
- Is financial aid available? What can I do to secure financial aid before arriving for the semester?
- How is the qualification for financial aid determined?
- When will I be notified if I will or will not be receiving aid?
- Are there special opportunities for low-income groups? If so, how do I apply?
- Are there scholarships or financial assistance for my desired major?
- Is there a career center on campus to help students find employment opportunities?
- Are there student-specific employment opportunities available on campus?

Campus Life Questions:
- What percent of students live on campus? Are there housing options for transfer students?
- What is the cafeteria food like? Are there meal plan options available?
- What is the average rent for apartments in the area? Do you offer assistance in finding off-campus housing? How can I find a roommate on/off-campus?
- Is there a housing office/center on campus?
- Is it difficult to find on-campus parking? Is there off-campus parking available?
- Do you have a parking escort service at night?
- What is the crime rate on campus and in the community?
- What clubs/organizations are available? What athletic and recreational opportunities are available?
- Are there campus activities on the weekends? Are most students on campus during the weekends?
The General Application Process

There are multiple application options for Massasoit students. The easiest way to know what application to fill out depends on the answer to the following questions.

When do you plan to Transfer?

- Before graduating from Massasoit?
- After graduating from Massasoit?
- Are you in a MassTransfer approved program?
- Does Massasoit have an existing Transfer Agreement with my selected institution?

If your answer is BEFORE graduating from Massasoit

Students will follow the Transfer Student application instructions on the college / university website of their choice. There are no exceptions to this. Most applications require students to do the following:

- Fill out a General Application
- Obtain Recommendations / Instructor Evaluations
- Write an application essay
- Provide College Official Report
- Provide Mid-Term report
- Provide Official Transcripts (from all colleges and high school)
- Resume (usually optional)
- Pay Application Fee

Many schools require the Common Application. More information on the Common App is provided in the next section. Please read institution websites carefully for detailed instructions on the transfer application.

If your answer is AFTER graduating from Massasoit

Please note that it is in your best interest to apply to your four-year college of choice early into your final semester at Massasoit. This will ensure a more smooth transition for you.

Does Massasoit have an existing Transfer Agreement with my selected institution?

Massasoit has numerous Transfer/Articulation Agreements with four-year schools in the area. Review these Transfer Agreements to see if you qualify for guaranteed admission and other benefits. Transfer Agreements can be found on the Massasoit Transfer Service website.
MassTransfer is a collaboration between the Commonwealth’s community colleges, state universities and the University of Massachusetts. System-wide resources and policies allow for students to transfer seamlessly, stay on track and minimize the time it takes to earn a bachelor’s degree. For in-depth information on MassTransfer: [www.mass.edu/masstransfer](http://www.mass.edu/masstransfer)

**MassTransfer consists of the following:**

### GENERAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

MassTransfer provides any student in the Massachusetts public higher education system who completes the General Education Foundation (the Block) with the benefit of satisfying the general education/distribution/core requirements at any other public higher education institution (with the receiving institution able to add no more than six additional credits or two courses).

- Complete 34 credits before transferring and save an average of 11% on your bachelor’s degree!
- Transfer with GPA 2.0+ and have guaranteed transfer of credits

### A2B DEGREE (ASSOCIATE TO BACHELOR’S) MAPPED & LINKED PROGRAMS

Beginning your college career at a community college is a smart choice. MassTransfer seeks to reward community college students who complete associate degrees at Massachusetts community colleges before they enroll in linked bachelor’s programs at Massachusetts state universities or University of Massachusetts campuses. Not only does MassTransfer guarantee full transfer of a minimum of 60 credits but, depending on their final GPA and/or prerequisite coursework, students who complete A2B Degrees (Associate to Bachelor’s) may also receive guaranteed admission and tuition discounts. Complete 60 credits before transferring and save an average of 28% on your bachelor’s degree!

- Transfer with GPA 2.0+ and have guaranteed transfer of credits, no application fee, no application essay
- Transfer with GPA 2.5+ and have guaranteed university admission (depending on program)
- Transfer with GPA 3.0+ and have the above benefits & MassTransfer 100% Tuition Credit
A2B Degree students who attend full-time and earn a 3.00 GPA or higher also have the opportunity to participate in the Commonwealth Commitment. The Commonwealth Commitment (available in “A2B Mapped”) further rewards students with a freeze on tuition & fees for all four years, and 10% end-of-semester rebates. Complete 60 credits before transferring and save an average of 40% on your bachelor’s degree. Must be under 15 completed college credits to apply.

- Freezing your tuition & fees upon entry into the Commonwealth Commitment program, until you successfully complete or leave the program
- A 10% rebate off tuition & mandatory fees, payable at the end of every successfully completed semester
- An additional MassTransfer tuition credit once you enroll in bachelor’s program
- Guaranteed Admission on a space-available basis to in the major and college
- Waiving your application fee and essay if your MassTransfer Application is submitted by the deadline

Four-Year Colleges/Universities Participating in MassTransfer

UMass Amherst    UMass Boston
UMass Dartmouth   UMass Lowell
Bridgewater State University    Fitchburg State University
Framingham State University    Mass. College of Liberal Arts
Salem State University    Westfield State University
Worcester State University

Contact Information:

While enrolled at Massasoit Community College
Advisement and Counseling Center
Brockton: 508.588.9100 ext. 1461  Canton: ext. 2117  Middleborough ext. 4002

Before Applying to Massasoit Community College
Admissions Office: 508.588.9100 ext. 1411  Canton: ext.2114  Middleborough ext. 4002
MassTransfer Application Process

Step 1) Complete and submit the MassTransfer Application on the admissions website of the individual University you are applying to or on the Department of Higher Education MassTransfer website. Keep in mind, you DO NOT have to write an essay and you DO NOT have to pay an application fee. In order to qualify for the MassTransfer benefits you must complete your Associate’s Degree before you begin classes at the four-year school. Non-grads qualify for the MassTransfer Block ONLY.

MassTransfer Application Suggested Deadlines

Fall Enrollment: March 1  Spring Enrollment: October 15

Please check with the individual University for their final MassTransfer application deadline.

Step 2) Send an official Massasoit college transcript to the University you are applying to. You can request an official college transcript at the Massasoit Registrar’s Office. You will also need to contact any other colleges/universities you have attended and arrange to have your transcripts sent accordingly.

Step 3) Send a Final Massasoit Transcript. After you have received your final grades, send a final Massasoit transcript to the University you have chosen to attend. Check with the Massasoit Registrar’s Office to ensure that your graduation status is recorded on your transcript before you request a final transcript.

Transfer Agreements (Articulation Agreements)

Massasoit Community College participates in many transfer agreements, listed below, also known as articulation agreements with four-year colleges and universities.

- Bay State College
- New England Culinary Institute
- Eastern Nazarene College
- Emmanuel College
- Laboure College
- Stonehill College
- Newbury College
- Bryant University
- Curry College
- New England College of Business (On-Line)
- Many More...

*For a detailed list visit [http://www.massasoit.edu/students-and-parents/student-services/transfer-services/transfer-agreements/index](http://www.massasoit.edu/students-and-parents/student-services/transfer-services/transfer-agreements/index)
The Common Application

The common application is an efficient way to apply to multiple schools. The great thing about the common application is that you only have to fill out the application once and send it to all the schools you are planning on applying. The Common Application is about twelve (12) pages long; below you will find a description for each of the sections in the common application.

The Common Application should be completed online. The instructor evaluations, college official reports, and mid-term reports should be mailed directly to each institution.

GENERAL APPLICATION (AP1-AP5)
This is the general part of the Common Application. Applicants are asked to fill out all detailed information clearly and answer all questions whenever possible. If a question does not pertain to you, or if you do not have an answer you can leave information blank or list N/A for “Not Available”. Applicants are asked to fill out all information and allow for adequate time to obtain information from appropriate parties.
There is also a Personal Essay, in which you are given the opportunity in 250 words or less to tell admissions representatives your reasons for transferring and what you hope to achieve. This essay should be the same for all schools that you send the common application. It should not be customized in any way. If you need an essay specific for a college, the college will notify you of the requirement. Be sure to sign the application, to indicate that you have included accurate information.

COLLEGE INSTRUCTION EVALUATION 1 & 2 (IE-1 and 2)
This portion of the application allows the student’s instructors to evaluate the applicant. You will complete the top portion of the evaluation with your personal identification information and then you will give this form to two different instructors who taught you in a full-credit college course. Be aware of the deadline for the common application, and give your instructors enough time to thoroughly complete the application form and submit it.
Most institutions will require two instructor evaluations, but if an institution only requires one, you will only need to submit one. Be sure to give your instructors self-addressed stamped envelopes for each school you are sending the Common Application so that they may send their evaluation.
COLLEGE OFFICIAL’S REPORT (OR-1 and OR-2)
You will need to give this form to a college official at your current/most recent institution who has access to your full academic and disciplinary record. At Massasoit, you should bring this form to the Dean of Students Office with the top portion of the form completed.
Be sure to provide the college official a self-addressed stamped envelope for each school you are applying to so that he/she is able to mail the completed form. For example, if you are applying to four institutions, you will need to give the college official four copies of the college official’s report form to complete. It is important, that you give the college official enough time to thoroughly complete the form.

MID-TERM REPORT (MT)
This is the final form that will need to be completed by someone other than you. As with the instructor evaluations and the college official report forms, as the applicant, you will complete the top portion of the Mid-Term Report form. Once that is completed, you are responsible for having each of your current instructors complete the information regarding the course they are teaching. For example, if you are currently enrolled in a Math Science course, you will need to take this form to your math science professor and have them complete the Course title/department, course number, number of credits, current grade, comments, and sign the form. You will need to do this for each of your current courses.

Visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GEU2eWNb7Rc for an in-depth video on the common application process.
# Deadlines & Requirements

By this point, you should have narrowed your search down to your top 5 schools. Use the space below to organize the deadlines and materials each school requires.

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**Account Information**

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*Note: Use your Massasoit email address to create your accounts.*
Now that you have your final list of schools and deadlines, make sure you submit your materials on time. Below is a checklist for the application process. Be sure to check off each step as you complete them for all schools you are applying to.

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Financial Aid & Scholarships

Every student is encouraged to fill out and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov

Don’t Forget!
Some institutions have an additional financial aid forms applicants must fill out. Be sure to check with each institution to see if that institution requires an Institutional Financial Aid Form.

CSS Profile
Some private colleges and universities require students to complete the CSS Profile. This 21 question survey is a tool that used by many colleges and universities to award non-federal financial aid funds. This application is available to both domestic and international students beginning October 1st of each year.
To complete the CSS Profile, go to: https://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile

Scholarships
Massasoit has many scholarship opportunities for students on our transfer service website!
Scholarships are a great way to apply for funds that you do not have to pay back after you finish school.
Most institutions have institutional scholarships that you can apply for. Check the websites of your schools of interests to see if they offer scholarships to transfer students.
You can also search for private scholarships from a variety of places and it is up to students to take the initiative to look for these opportunities. Review the Massasoit transfer website for Scholarship Information.

Tip 5: Remember to complete the FAFSA early every year (Applications available starting October 1st)!

Tip 6: Avoid Scams!
Students should NEVER pay an application fee when filling out financial aid forms or for scholarship applications. Websites that solicit money from students are scams!

CEE/B/FAFSA Codes
These are needed when you apply to other colleges and have financial aid information sent to them.
Go to the following websites to find the codes you need:
FAFSA Codes: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/FOTWWebApp/FSLookupServlet
CEEB Codes: http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/codelist.html
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<td>Money awarded to student based on FAFSA. First come, first served basis. Must maintain satisfactory academic progress.</td>
<td>Based on need. Students seeking first degree. Must maintain satisfactory academic progress.</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td>Amounts vary based on class load and need.</td>
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<td>SEOG (Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant)</td>
<td>Money awarded to students with greater need based on FAFSA. Amount vary according to need.</td>
<td>Students seeking first degree. Must maintain satisfactory academic progress.</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>There is a maximum.</td>
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<td>Perkins Loan</td>
<td>Loan with a fixed rate, low-interest. Awarded on the basis of financial need. Funds are limited.</td>
<td>Based on need. Additional requirements may apply.</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>Amounts vary.</td>
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<td>Subsidized and unsubsidized. 3% loan origination fee charged before the loan disburses. Interest rates for the both loans are variable, but capped at 8.25%</td>
<td>Based on need. Additional requirements may apply.</td>
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<td>Minimum amount.</td>
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<td>Work Study</td>
<td>For of assistance for which money must be earned by working 15-20 hours per week.</td>
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*See MASSASOIT website or FAO for more information.*
Helpful Sites

Here is a quick list of some online resources that are helpful throughout the transfer process:

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<td>MassTransfer</td>
<td>Information about the MassTransfer application process</td>
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<td>Common Application</td>
<td>Online Common Application</td>
<td>Commonapp.org</td>
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<td>MCC Transfer Services</td>
<td>Information about the MassTransfer process and MCC transfer agreements</td>
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<td>Information on the completion of the FAFSA, deadlines, and types of aid</td>
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<td>Fastweb</td>
<td>Information a number of scholarships and grants available to students</td>
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<td>College Score Card</td>
<td>Information on accreditation, average debt outcomes, and additional school information.</td>
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Congratulations! You Have Been Accepted! Now What?

Congratulations! Once you have been accepted to the four-year institution, there are still a few things you should be aware of, such as deposit deadlines, final transcripts and financial aid. Below are some questions to ask yourself after you receive your acceptance letter:

Did all or enough of my credits transfer to the four-year institution?
As part of your acceptance packet, you will receive a transfer credit audit that lays out in detail the courses and number of credits that were transferred to the four-year institution. Review this information thoroughly, and compare it to others schools that have accepted you. The amount of credit accepted may determine which institution you decide to attend.

Did you receive any financial aid? Is it enough to attend your four-year institution?
If you received aid, be sure to look over the award package thoroughly. Take time to differentiate between scholarships, grants and loans and total cost to you the student. You may want to take time to review the given aid with a parent, guardian or other trusted individual. If you do not think your financial aid package is enough to cover your college expenses, you can often appeal your award. Each school has a slightly different “appeals” process, so contact your school with any questions.

Have you been accepted to the School or Program you wanted?
Colleges are big places – you may have gotten into your top choice institution, but it is possible that you may not have been accepted into the program you wanted. Be sure to read your acceptance letter completely and make note of what you have been accepted into. For example, if you applied for the Nursing, you may be accepted into the College of Health Sciences Program but not directly into the Nursing program. Contact the admissions office if you have questions regarding your acceptance letter.

Are there deadlines mentioned?
Take careful note of these. The most important will be the deadline for accepting the offer. If you have multiple applications out, the timing can be tricky. You may get an acceptance notice from a college that is not your top choice, and then have to hope for word from your favorite before you hit the first responder’s deadline.
Do I need to submit any forms or more transcripts?
Your packet may include paperwork to help you get set up on campus, such as living on campus or completing paperwork for your particular program. You will also need to send another copy of your official transcript with your final grades from Massasoit to the four-year institution that you have been accepted into. The official transcripts need to be sent directly from Massasoit, and you will forfeit credit or worse, not be fully accepted, if these required materials are not sent/received on time.

Are there any important dates that I must remember?
Be sure to take note of dates for orientation, campus tours or other events you may want to make. These are good opportunities to get acquainted with the institution so that when you begin taking classes, you have a better idea of where buildings and resources are located.

By following this guide through to the end, you should be well on your way to the next, exciting chapter in your educational journey. Congratulations and best of luck!