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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EIU TRANSFER STUDENTS INVITED TO GIVE FEEDBACK

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University students who have transferred to the university from other Illinois institutions will have the opportunity to speak out on the transfer process.

Counselors from various community colleges from throughout the state will make themselves available between 3 and 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22, in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Grand Ballroom to discuss the transfer process with their former students. Possible topics include what worked and what didn't work, what was helpful, what could be improved, etc.

Appointments are not required; refreshments will be provided.

Rita Pearson, Eastern's assistant director of admissions/transfer coordinator, said there are about 5,000 transfer students currently enrolled at the university. (This number includes students who have taken any class somewhere other than Eastern.) She said it was important to get feedback from students who have been through the transfer process in order to minimize problems for future students.

Fifty-one community colleges have been invited, but not all will be able to send representatives. Those students whose community colleges are not represented but who wish to comment about the transfer process will be able to speak with Pearson who, in turn, will convey comments on to the appropriate schools.

For information, contact the School of Adult and Continuing Education at the Office of Conferences and Non-Credit Programs at 581-5116.