# University of Maryland University College



The extended Transcript Pilot



#### **Extended Transcript Pilot Framework**

**Supports UMUC's New Learning Model** that focuses on what the learner can do, and how they can take this learning and apply it in the work place





## **Pilot Purpose & Parameters**

#### Purpose

Gather student feedback on the extended Transcript (eT) document, content and usage

#### **Parameters**

- Approximately 2,000 Graduate Students enrolled in the New Learning Model Format
- Students have access to the eT from December 13, 2016 to March 31, 2017 (Fall 2016, and Winter 2017)
- Students access their eT through their classroom



# **The extended Transcript**







Progress

Classroom View





Class List

Transcript





Workspace













Competencies

Overview

Writing Center

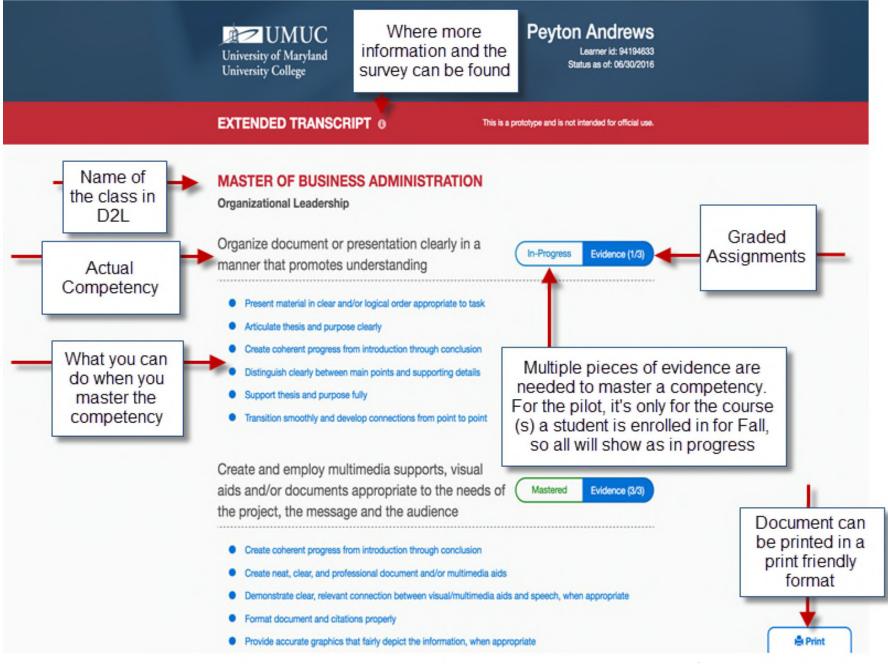


Help



Evaluation



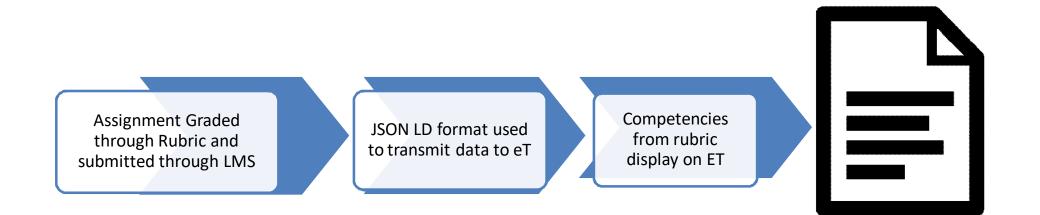


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- Malleable
- Many areas are easily changed and configurable
- Flexible to fit multiple models
- Color and "feel" is up to institution



## Data display on the eT





## About the Extended Transcript

Learn about our pilot program for a more comprehensive student record.

## **COMMUNICATION PLAN**

#### MARKETING

- Students notified about the eT through a marketing email that covered how they can access it, that it is a pilot, the purpose and how to provide feedback
- Webpages updated with brief information and FAQ's

#### STUDENT FACING TEAMS

- All student facing departments were notified in case questions were generated

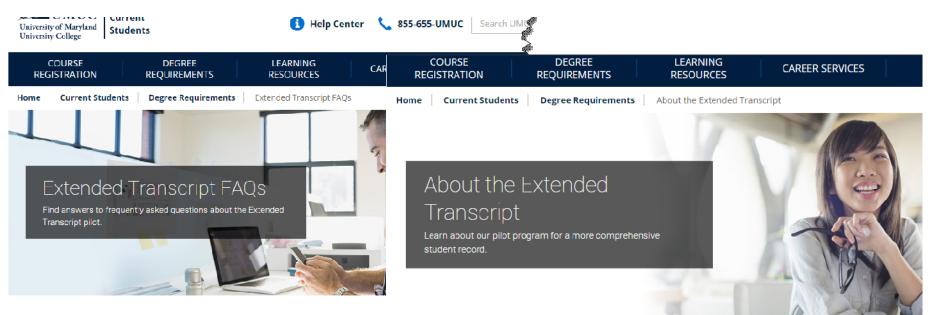
#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

- IT was notified in case technical issues arose when the student is trying to access the eT

#### THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

- The Graduate School was part of the conversation to determine when to best deploy the eT





You've come to the right place to get your questions answered about the Extended Transcrip

FAQs: The Extended Transcript
What is the Extended Transcript (eT)? +
For which programs is the eT available? +
Why is UMUC piloting the eT? +
Will the eT be replacing my official university transcript? +
Who can see the eT? +
Where can Laccess the eT? +
Why am I receiving an error message that says "We were unable to fetch your transcript"?
What do I do with the eT? +
Is this available in other courses? +
Is it based on my program or just this course? +
On the eT, what does "in progress" mean? +
On the eT, what does evidence mean? +
Can I send this to an employer or third party? +

Can this document be printed? +

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Earning a degree means more than just satisfying course requirements. It's about acquiring knowledge and mastering marketable skills. While a traditional transcript is the official record that conveys the time you spent studying a subject an the grade you received for it, it doesn't tell the whole story when it comes to demonstrating your qualifications and competencies.

That's why University of Maryland University College is participating in a pilot program to test a new type of transcript record: the Extended Transcript (eT). The eT will complement your official transcripts by documenting evidence of learnin and achievement beyond the traditional listing of courses, credits, and grades. What you learn will be captured digitally to create a comprehensive student profile that displays not just what you've studied but also what you know and what you'r qualified to do.\*

The eT is not intended for official use. It is a prototype for a student record that prospective employers could use to get a more complete picture of the skills and abilities that a student has acquired.

**Tell us what you think!** Once you've examined the Extended Transcript, we invite you to give us your feedback by completing this brief **survey** <sup>C</sup> to help us better understand how the eT can benefit you in furthering your education or seeking employment.

EXTENDED TRANSCRIPT FAQS

Find answers to frequently asked questions about the Extended Transcript pilot.

How many students accessed the eT?

The eT has been available to approximately 2,000 students for 16 weeks

The eT has been accessed 1,487 times in those 16 weeks

> 57% of unique students accessed the eT







#### **Overall Presentation of the Document**

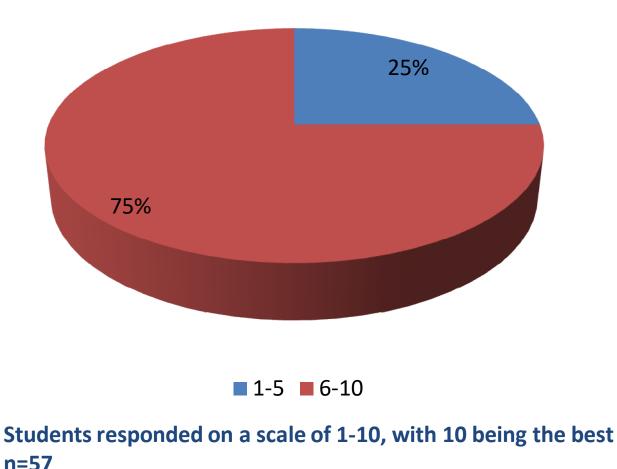
#### **Positive Feedback:**

"Very detailed. Describes students achievements better than "A" "B" grades

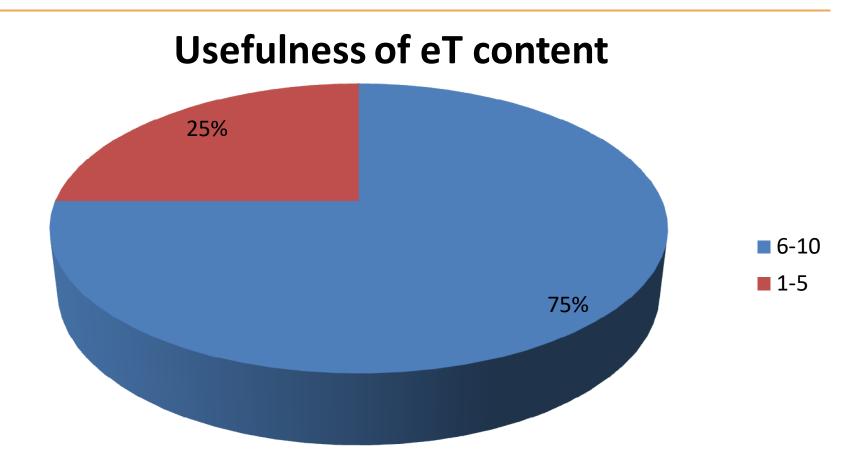
"Pretty simple layout and easy to understand."

#### **Opportunity:**

"Large font and multiple colors make it look juvenile. It should look more professional, maybe in a table or list format considering that students may have several classes."



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## Students responded on a scale of 1-10, with 10 being the best n=57



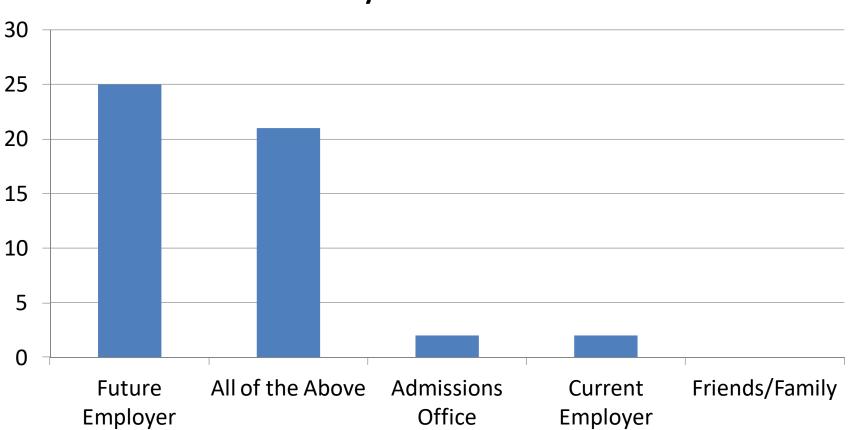
# Does the name extended Transcript make sense?

"It should be called "program objectives"

It should be called "detailed transcript."

"It makes me think of electronic transcripts."









## **Student Comments**

"I like it and think it's an amazing idea coming from someone making a career change without experience"

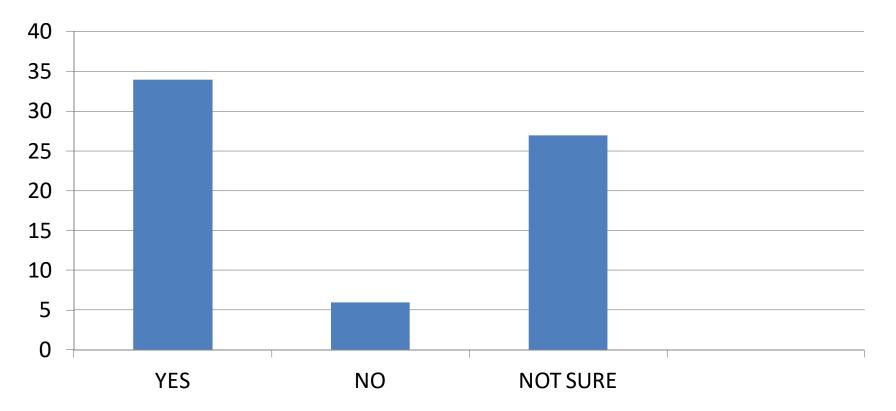
"Great tool, frequently difficult to properly explain skills and education to potential employers"

"It's so great that there's finally a way to be able to tell employers "This is what I did!" because from all the projects and assignments we do, it's hard to remember . I've also never seen something like this at my undergrad or first grad school."

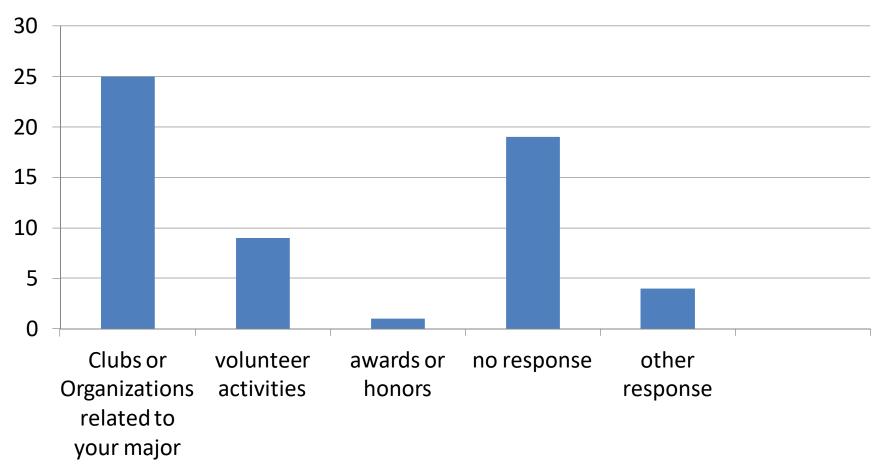
"I am a hiring official. Way too much information is printed on this page. Having the name of each assignment under each learning concept is ridiculous."



# Would the eT give you more confidence when searching for future opportunities?







#### What else would you like to see on the eT?



"The eT is very lengthy. Not sure how this will perceived by potential employers? Will they gloss over it or read the detail provided?"

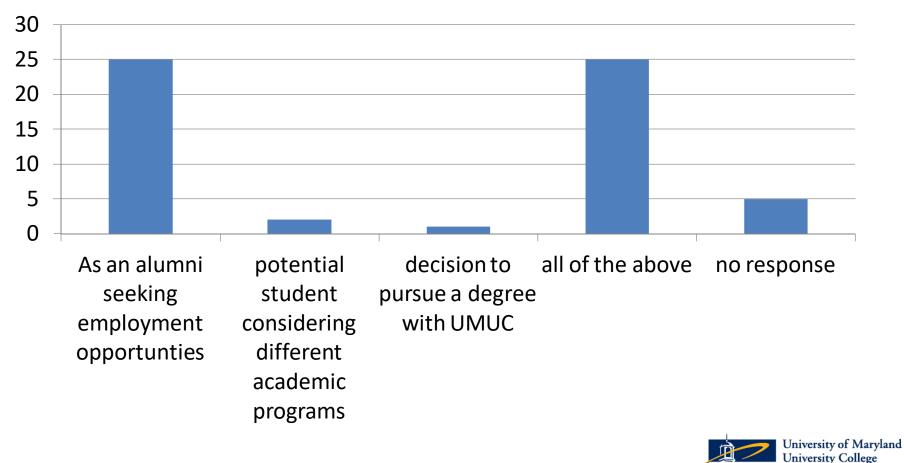
"Consider providing students the ability to upload or link to completed classwork or projects that were completed."

"It simply adds value to a sterile transcript of grades and course names."

"I appreciate the information on the eT, however I would be more inclined to utilize the information personally to strengthen my resume, or be more aware of my strengths."



# In which scenarios do you feel the eT brings value to you as a student?



# Why?

"I think it makes the bigger picture of what the student is accomplishing clearer, and describes how each project and course build on each other."

"Instead of a graduate saying I walked away from college with an X GPA, I can take this and say this is what I am capable of doing."

"It puts things into perspective."

Of survey respondents recommend that UMUC provide the eT to all students

Student Response: "Why wouldn't you?"



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# **Next Steps**

- UMUC is developing a rudimentary database alongside IMS GLOBAL to develop a searchable database for student competencies
- Pilot with Register to support the credential registry
- Working with our UMUC career services department to see how eT data can connect to our career services and alumni portal (manual process currently)

