

Transfer Bears

2025-2026



What is a Living-Learning Community?

A living-learning community (LLC) is a group of students who share a common academic or theme interest and live together in a residence hall. Residence Life partners with faculty and staff across campus to implement special programming related to the LLC focus. Students living in the LLC also have the opportunity to get to know these partners outside of the classroom.

What should I expect as part of the LLC?

Your Resident Assistant (RA) will have information about a variety of activities and resources related to the topic of your LLC and academic support. Plan on being involved in various events and share your ideas for future programming! The more involved you are with the community, the more benefits you'll gain.



MEET YOUR RA!

Luke Battagler

Major: Biology

Hey everyone! My name is Luke and I'll be the new Resident Assistant for the Transfer Bears LLC in Kentwood! This is my second year as an RA but my first year at Missouri State, so I'm also a transfer just like some of you! I'm currently a junior and I'm majoring in biology and hoping to go to medical school! In my free time I like to thrift, read, and go on runs. I'm very excited to meet each and every one of you! Go Bears!!

Take this survey
to tell Luke what
events you want!

*you could win a \$50 gift
card!



MEET YOUR PARTNERS!



Bart Tibbs

Assistant Director Admissions: Transfer Outreach and Recruitment

Welcome to Missouri State! My name is Bart Tibbs, and I work in the Office of Admissions helping students transfer to MSU. I am very glad you chose MSU to complete your bachelor's degree as I know you had many college options. I also know it was a great choice to live on campus on the Transfer Bears LLC floor in Kentwood Hall, which is my favorite residence hall. There is no better way to immerse yourself in the campus culture than by living on campus. Look for ways to connect with the students on your floor, in your classes, and in line for Starbucks at the PSU. I look forward to meeting you when the academic year begins and being one of many resources to help you be successful at Missouri State.

Campbell Keele

Coordinator: Transfer Initiatives

Welcome to the Transfer Bears LLC! My name is Campbell Keele, and I serve as a partner for this community. As a fun fact, I was a member of this Community for three years as a student. The years I spent in the Transitions LLC were amazing; I met some of my best friends through this Community. I hope your experience is just as great as mine was, and I look forward to meeting you all!



Stay up to date with Transfer student events [HERE](#)

GET INVOLVED!

THERE ARE OVER 300+ STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AT MSU



Student Government Association (SGA) is an organization that represents the larger student body and that works on a variety of different initiatives to better campus. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 5:30 pm in PSU 313. Find more information about SGA initiatives and how you can be an SGA senator [HERE](#).



student activities council

The Student Activities Council (SAC) meetings are held every Tuesday at 4 pm in PSU 313. SAC plans and implements free events for the MSU student body, including educational, social, cultural, and entertaining events. You can find more information about SAC [HERE](#).



RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

Residence Hall Association (RHA) meetings are held every Monday at 4 pm in PSU 313. Find more information about RHA [HERE](#). RHA plans and implements programming for all of the residence halls, and serves as the voice of residence hall students to administration.



The Office of Student Engagement (OSE) oversees all of these organizations and more. There are over 300+ organizations on MSU's campus! (Check out the OSE [HERE](#))

2-3pm

SAT 8/15

TRANSFER STUDENT POPCORN SOCIAL

WELCOME
CENTER

“Pop-In” for a popcorn bar, trivia, and games with your fellow Transfer Bears! Win prizes, learn about opportunities for transfer students at Missouri State, and get your questions answered in an informal setting!

National Transfer Student Week



Each year MSU participates in National Transfer Student Week and hosts events for our transfer students. This year NTSW will be **October 19-23**.

Be on the lookout for more information this semester from your RA!



Want to learn more about Kentwood Hall? Check out this video!

Your LLC Social will be on:

**Friday, August 21, at
5:00 pm in Kentwood
Bear Lounge**

You won't want to miss this
chance to meet your floor and
your LLC partners!

**Enjoy Picklemans' subs,
and the chance to win
prizes!**



Our campus **Bear Line** service can help you get around once you get to campus! Check out the routes offered by our shuttles so you can figure out the best ways to class and to get around town. There is even an app you can download to track each Bear Line and see current wait times! To learn more, click

[HERE.](#)



Want to check out where your classes are and where to park on campus? Visit the campus map

[HERE.](#)

WEEK OF WELCOME 2026!

It's time to celebrate a new year! Move in, meet new friends and enjoy a week full of events. Events include:



Thursday, August 13

Room Decor Bingo 7-9pm
PSU Theater

Sponsored by:



Friday, August 14

Snow Glad to See You
11-2pm (rain or shine)
Plaster Student Union Patio

417 Street Fest 6-8pm
Elm Street



Saturday, August 15

Transfer Student Popcorn Social
2-3p

Office of Student Engagement
Plaster Student Union 127

Bear Bash 7-10pm
North Mall and PSU



Sunday, August 16

New Student Convocation 2pm
Great Southern Bank Arena

Campus Fest CMA 6:30-9pm
North Mall

And more! For the full list of events,
click [HERE!](#)