Welcome and congratulations on choosing to be a transfer student! Being a transfer student requires you to take on additional responsibilities for a successful transfer journey. The following tips are recommendations to ensure a smooth journey to transfer from NVC to a four-year campus.

GETTING STARTED:
Check out NVC's Student Affairs site for a comprehensive list of resources. We also recommend that you choose your first year classes carefully after meeting with a counselor. Consider all of the important personal factors when choosing classes, such as:

- Are you working more than 20 hours/week?
- Are you commuting longer than 15 minutes?
- Have limited transportation options?
- Family obligations.

Consider taking Counseling 100 (College Success), Counseling 101 (College Discovery), or Counseling 105 (Transfer Success).
If Undecided about a major consider taking Counseling 110 (Career and Life Planning) or Counseling 111 (Career Decision Making).

Attend all classes regularly and utilize office hours.
Join programs and use campus resources available to you (for example):
- PUENTE and UMOJA Learning Communities
- SSS TRIO, EOPS, MESA, BME (Black Male Excellence) support programs (among others)
- Writing Success Center, Math Success Center, and Library Services
- Disability Support Programs and Services (DSPS)

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF:

- Stay healthy by eating balanced meals, staying hydrated and being physically active.
- Get enough sleep (7-9 hours/night if you are under 25).
- Designate a distraction free workspace.
- Get Active! Take mini breaks when tackling a major task.
- Take it one day at a time. We are living in unprecedented times. Be kind to yourself.

RESEARCH, EXPLORE AND PLAN YOUR TRANSFER PATH:

Explore universities and their systems (for example: CSU, UC, HBCU, & AICCU) Many have virtual tours available.
Research majors, location, campus size, services, costs, teaching methods, etc. to make a well-informed choice.
Learn about the transfer process and the requirements related to general education, major preparation, grade point average (GPA) requirements, Program Impaction and Application Deadlines.
Meet with a Counselor to develop a comprehensive educational plan by the end of your first semester, or as soon as possible, and update it often to ensure it reflects the intended major(s) and university requirements.
Meet with College/University Representatives early and often (see Transfer Center website for appointment details) to ensure you will be able to transfer successfully.
Are you planning to apply to a University of CA campus? Start your Transfer Admission Planner online early:
https://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/students/