

CSU CHANNEL ISLANDS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES | NON-FUNDED WORK

4-Year and 2-Year Roadmaps

Strategic Initiatives and Actions

Student Success

2.1 Increase academic support for students in the first year (e.g., proactive advising, embedded tutors, peer mentors, block scheduling).

2.6 Ensure that students have the opportunity and structured support (including four-year degree maps for all programs) to complete 30 credits every year.

Project Summary

The College of Arts and Sciences is working on creating 4-year roadmaps to graduation, complete with non-course-based milestones, for first-time full-time freshman, for each of the 22 majors offered in the college. Similarly, 2-year roadmaps to graduation for transfer students, with milestones, are in the process of being created for each major.

Some years ago, each program was asked to create 4-year, 5-year, and 6-year roadmaps to graduation for each major. The majority of these have not been updated in years; many are not available via program websites. This leaves current and prospective students lacking a resource that can help them visualize their path to timely graduation.

As part of our efforts to support the Student Success Initiative, the College of Arts and Sciences is working with the chair and faculty of each degree program to develop a 4-year roadmap to graduation for first-time full-time freshmen, and a 2-year roadmap to graduation for new transfer students. These roadmaps will include a new feature: desired milestones for students to aim to achieve each semester or each year. (For instance, sample milestones include “investigate study abroad possibilities,” “seek an internship,” and “achieve at least a 3.0 GPA.”) These milestones are intended to assure that students graduate having explored their desired next steps and well prepared for such. The roadmaps also provide a mechanism to envision 4-year, and 2-year transfer, graduation, thus providing students structure support in line with the Student Success initiative.

We have partnered with Information Technology Services to create a mechanism to receive information on ideal course scheduling and milestones from department chairs and faculty. This information will then be turned into an aesthetically pleasing, ADA compliant presentation for each department to display on its webpage.

Baseline Data

Six programs have completed the work necessary to hand off their 4-year roadmaps to the next stage. Faculty and chairs will reengage when they return in F'19.

Goals

By the end of Fall 2019 we expect to have all 22 4-year roadmaps complete and displayed on department webpages. By the end of Spring 2020 all 2-year transfer roadmaps should likewise be complete.

Project Status

Implementing phase

Key Leaders and Divisions

Lead Division	Academic Affairs
Collaborating Division	Business and Financial Affairs
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