Campus: Channel Islands

Team Leader: Dawn Neuman

1. What did your team commit to completing during this month? (What did you promise?)
   - We committed to restructuring the CAG/Graduation Initiative Committee organization.

2. What did you do and how will it help?
   - We have dissolved the Committee for Access, Retention and Student Success (CARS) and the large Graduation Initiative committees. There are two reasons for this action:
     - In collecting information for a spreadsheet of initiatives and programs on campus that enhance graduation rates and/or time to graduation, we discovered that many initiatives and programs were underway that were not well known across the campus. It became clear that Academic Affairs and Student Affairs needed to communicate more closely to avoid duplication.
     - The members of the two committees included many of the same people, who were spending a great deal of time in meetings.
   - We created a co-divisional partnership, titled the Student Success Partnership.
     - The partnership has co-leads—Jacquelyn Kilpatrick acting for the Provost’s Office and Academic Affairs, and Jane Sweetland acting for the Vice President for Student Affairs Office and Student Affairs. The co-leads chose two additional members from their respective divisions to form a Steering Committee. Those members are: Kaia Tollefson and Marie Francois for Academic Affairs, and Damien Peña and Ginger Reyes for Student Affairs.
     - The Student Success Partnership is charged with responsibility for leading campus efforts in planning, implementing, and measuring the effectiveness of strategies designed to lead to student success.
     - The co-leads will use relevant data from intelligent metrics to delineate areas where the campus needs more information or where qualitative or quantitative indicators suggest action should be taken to facilitate student success.
- The Steering Committee will discuss issues related to authentic student access and success and convene task forces to address problems or to take advantage of opportunities.

- Task-forces will be short-term, lasting no longer than one semester at the most, and will be comprised of people from across the campus who have an interest or expertise in the area being addressed. The task forces will report back to the steering committee with suggestions, recommendations, and/or proposals.

- The co-leads will then report findings and suggestions back to the Provost and the Vice President for Student Affairs.

3. What will you accomplish next month?
   - We will have our first Steering Committee meeting. Items on the agenda include:
     - Inventory: What are the programs & initiatives that are impacting student success?
     - SB 1440: How will it impact CI?
     - Islas/Vista (two very large grants). Is there duplication of effort? Can assets and efforts be combined in some areas?
     - Schedule—is there a task that can be accomplished before semester’s end? What can we do over the summer? What do we want to accomplish when the fall semester begins?

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