Graduation Initiative
Monthly Reporting Form
February 21, 2011

Campus: Channel Islands

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1. What did your team commit to completing during this month? (What did you promise?)
   - Continue planning spring 2010 new student orientations.
   - Continue the evaluation of new advising forms and procedures.
   - Include report on Graduation Initiative to Faculty Senate.
   - Continue planning and evaluation of summer “bridge” and other programs.
   - Finalize the spreadsheet of initiatives and programs on campus that enhance graduation rates and/or time to graduation. Disseminate the spreadsheet and arrange meeting with constituents with programs that are related or that address the same groups.
   - Finalize the planning for the first year and transfer year experience courses.

2. What did you do and how will it help?
   - In December, eight people representing both Student Affairs and Academic Affairs, attended the “High Impact Practices” webinar offered by the CO.
   - In January, Marie Francois, Jacquelyn Kilpatrick, and Janet Rizzoli, along with Shannon Davis and Chris Mainzer from Oxnard College, attended the CSU “Making GE Relevant” conference. The team created four proposals for CSUCI/Oxnard partnerships to enhance student success at both institutions. We are currently drafting proposals in response to the RFP generated by the CO.
   - In February, Jacque Kilpatrick, Kaia Tollefson, and Damien Peña attended the WASC Retreat on Student Success. They came back with many new ideas as well as an increased enthusiasm for cross-divisional work.
   - We created a spreadsheet of initiatives and programs on campus that enhance graduation rates and/or time to graduation. We think it will stimulate conversations and cross-pollination between initiatives.
   - We completed planning for the 2011 new student orientations. We are continuing discussions on ways to include the workshops that are part of our Early Start proposal.
   - The advising team is continuing the assessment of our new advising forms and procedures. Reports to date have been very positive.
   - We are continuing gathering information on the programs from across the university that impact graduation rates.

3. What will you accomplish next month?
   - We are restructuring the CAG/Graduation Initiative Committee organization. We have created a co-divisional partnership that works as a steering committee to locate problems and opportunities that affect student success. The partnership will then devise short-term taskforces from across the university to define and assess the problem or opportunity, after which we can take appropriate action—or offer congratulations and make public the benefits.

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