

Title III SIP Grant: Year 4, Quarter 1 Report

Review/Revise Advising Plan

- Monica Wilson, Vice President of Academics and Student Services, reviewed the advising plan based on new knowledge and best practices.
- Four faculty members attended NACADA in Pittsburgh, PA, October 27-30, 2024, including Morgan Armentrout, Nikki Chandler, Seyed Mirkhani, and Nathan VanVraken for improving advising practices.

Implement Strategies from Advising Redesign

- Strategies from the advising redesign were implemented based on prior feedback, the review of the plan, and professional development learnings.
- New strategies aimed to enhance advising as an effective tool for retention.

Provide Advising Based on Updated Plan

- Advising sessions were held each term.
- Student participation in comprehensive advising, aligned with annual objectives, increased. (Do we have any data to support this claim?)

Develop Resources, Workshops, and Classes for At-Risk Students

- Feedback from members of the Title III Steering Committee and professional development informed the creation of resources for students struggling academically. Resources include workshops, tutor.com, and bettermynd.com.
- Continued use of CRM Advise software to support timely advising.

New Resources for At-Risk Students:

- Online information and resource referrals were made available through Ellucian CRM Advise. Referrals can be made by student, staff, faculty, and/or administrators.
- Workshops and classes were developed and offered to support student success.
- Updates to Ellucian CRM Advise were prioritized to provide improved results. Additional review of the “at-risk” classifiers in Ellucian CRM Advise need to be reviewed for continuous improvement of the selection criteria.

Career Services:

- Career Counselor held numerous individual sessions with students to develop resumes and complete job searches.
- Presentations at new student orientation events to introduce services and inform students about scheduling an appointment with career counselor to begin career work experience plan.

- Career Counselor provided a resume writing workshop for the LPN cohort at Mineral County Vocational Technical Center as an outreach opportunity on October 11, 2024.
- C.R.A.M. and Academic Success Strategy Workshops Conducted
 - **10/15/24:** Academic Success Strategy Workshop: Time Management (Presenter: Nathan VanVraken)
 - **10/29/24:** CRAM Workshop: Interviewing Skills
 - **11/18/24:** CRAM Workshop: LinkedIn

Title III Steering Committee Meetings

- **October 3, 2024**
- **November 7, 2024**
- **December 5, 2024 (Canceled)**

Course Redesigns

- Project Director completed service agreements and sent email to faculty completing course redesigns including:

Round 1 (2/7/25-5/2/25)

SOC 205 Hernandez
 ENG 101 Hakala
 PSY 230 Mirkhani
 GSC 109 VanVraken

Round 2 (5/30/25-8/22/25)

SOC 220 Hernandez
 ENL 102 Hakala
 PSY 226 Layton
 BIO 102 VanVraken
 MUS 170 Coleman

Contract with Ellucian for DegreeWorks Advanced Training for Advisers

- Self-paced training modules for DegreeWorks were contracted through Ellucian to assist advisers in supporting student progression toward degree completion.

Participants:

- Isaiah Smith, Debi Layton, Dixie Heavener, Monica Wilson, Alicia VanMeter, Shirley Murphy, Sherry Michael.

Progress Updates:

- Debi Layton completed her training on 7/30/24.
- Dixie Heavener completed one of three modules of the Student Learning Advising Plan on 11/8/24; the remaining two modules are under construction.

- Monica Wilson completed Module 1 on DegreeWorks and some free trainings by 11/8/24; Modules 2-4 remain under construction.

Ellucian Customer Service Response:

- Ellucian's design team anticipates the remaining training modules to be available by early December 2024. Interim training videos were provided to maintain engagement.
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Summary of Progress

- Advising plan reviewed and revised.
- Strategies from redesign implemented; advising sessions conducted.
- New resources and workshops created for at-risk students.
- DegreeWorks training initiated, with partial completion by participants.

Next Steps

- Complete DegreeWorks training for all participants as modules become available.
- Conduct scheduled workshops and monitor student feedback.