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Loss & Momentum Framework

CONNECTION

Interest to Application

ENTRY

Enrollment to Completion of Gatekeeper Courses



PROGRESS

Entry into Course of Study to 75% Requirements Completed



of Study to
Credential with
Labor Market
Value

STUDENT DATA SYSTEM (From Day 1 to Completion)

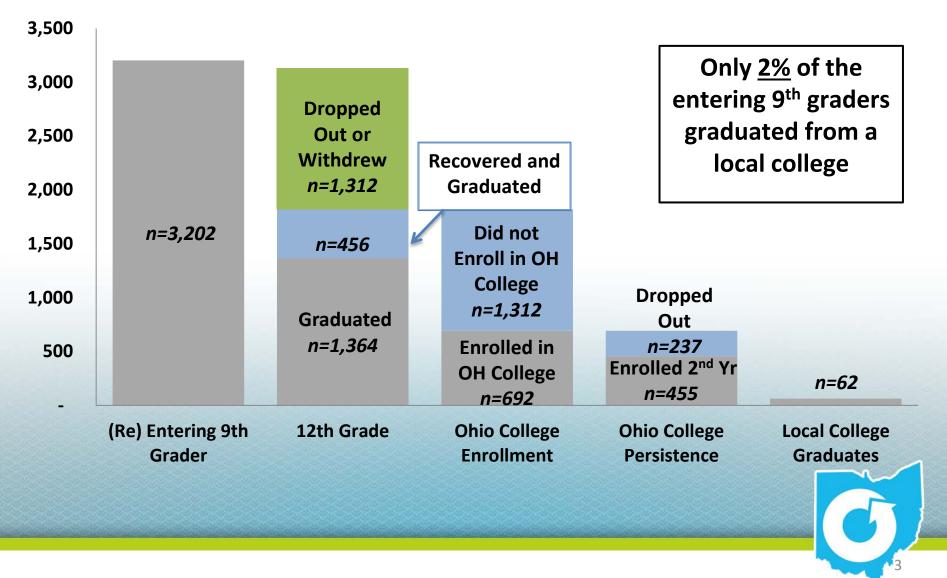
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

LEADERSHIP FOCUSED ON COMPLETION

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Low-Income High School Graduating Class Outcomes



Discussion Question

How can we safeguard quality at the same time we try to increase the number of students completing their goals?



Focus on Data



Ohio Cadre Goal

- Increase graduation rate by 40% for the 2015 cohort.
 - Currently at 11% graduation rate, want to get to 15% for Ohio cadre (IPEDs, based on fall 2007 cohort)
 - There are 94 Associate Degree programs at Sinclair.
 - Increase 1 student per program per year, and we increase graduation rate by roughly 1.5% per year at Sinclair

Key Findings from Data and Faculty, Staff and Student Input



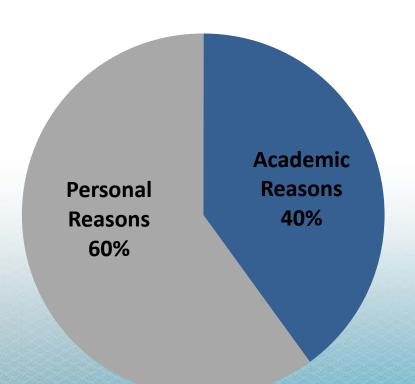
Examples of Key Findings from Data

- Quantitative: Students who enter a program of study (take three classes within the major) within one or two years are more likely to graduate
- Qualitative: Students need more structure, advising, and orientation and that it should be mandatory.

Factors for Course Withdrawal

Self-Reported Reasons for Course Withdrawal

(Fall 2011)



Academic Reasons (examples):

- Lack of Time Management
- Poor Concentration
- Test Anxiety
- Instructor Issues
- Missed Too Many Classes
- Not Doing Well
- Not Required for Major

Personal Reasons (examples):

- Financial Issues
- Medical Problem
- Personal Issues
- Work Conflict



Factors within College's Control

- Cost of tuition some colleges offer free tuition after 12 credit hours to encourage students to take more classes
- Course offerings and scheduling
- Clear and consistent academic pathways
- Articulation and transfer agreements

Factors Not within College's Control?

- Personal and family issues
- Medical issues
- But time is the enemy



Strategic Priorities for Ohio Cadre



Strategic Priorities for Ohio Cadre

- 1. Accelerating students through Dev Ed and programs more quickly
- 2. Clear pathway toward transfer/career (take guess work out)
- 3. Integrated Student Support
- 4. Institutional and State Policy



Accelerating Students through the Pathway

 Early placement testing and interventions in high school

 Accelerate students through developmental education (i.e. boot camps, math modules)

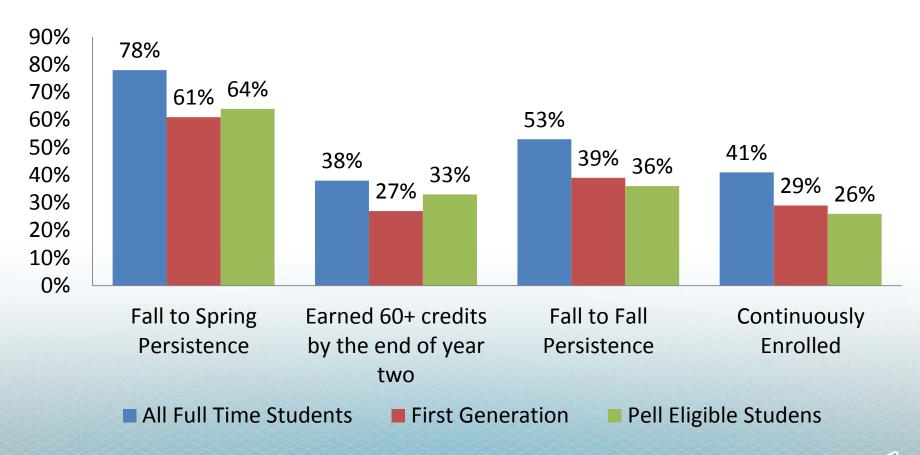
Related KPIs and Goals:

- Increase the % of students who completed developmental education in 1 year
- Increase the % of students who pass college-level math and English in
 1-2 years

Why Accelerating

- Time is the enemy
- Sequencing is the enemy College #1
 - 100 students start Basic Arithmetic, 55 pass
 - -45 continue to Intro to Algebra, 25 pass
 - 20 continue to Intermediate Algebra I, 12 pass
 - 10 continue to Int. Algebra II, 6 pass
 - -4 continue to Intermediate Algebra III, 3 pass
 - -2 continue to college level math, 1 passes

First Time, Full Time Degree Seeking Students at College #2 Fall 2010 Cohort





College #2 data

	% of students passing		% of students passing*
Dev MATH #1	43%	Dev Eng #1	43%
Dev MATH #2	42%	Dev Eng #2	71%
Dev MATH #3	51%	College Eng 1	60%
College MATH	56%	Coll. Eng/Alt	72%

• Math 1650: .43 x .8 x .42 x .8 x .51 x .8 x .56 = 3%

• English: .43 x .8 x .71 x .8 x .6 = 12%

*with a "C" or better, taken from College #2 data



Academic Pathway Redesign and Contextualization

- Examine excess credits
- Quantway, boot camps, co-requisite Dev Ed
- Build MAPs to get students through developmental education and into a program of study as soon as possible

Related KPIs and Goals:

- Increase the % of students who take 9 hours in their major within their 1st and 2nd year
- Decrease the average number of excess credits



Why Pathway Redesign

7% of the fall 2006 cohort
 (219 students) have more than 90 quarter hour credits but no credential

 Student feedback: Too many choices leave them confused



The Student Experience



Successful Completion



Integrated Student Support

- Mandatory orientation and advising
- Holistic development of students
- Career advising integrated with faculty support

Related KPIs and Goals:

- Increase the % of students persisting fall-to-fall
- Reduce the number of excess credits



Why Integrated Support

- Only 40% of non-completers "concentrated" within first two years; these "delayed entry" students are often undecided majors and need more guidance.
- Students don't do optional
- Employer input on skills gap
- Student feedback: Need a "go-to" person

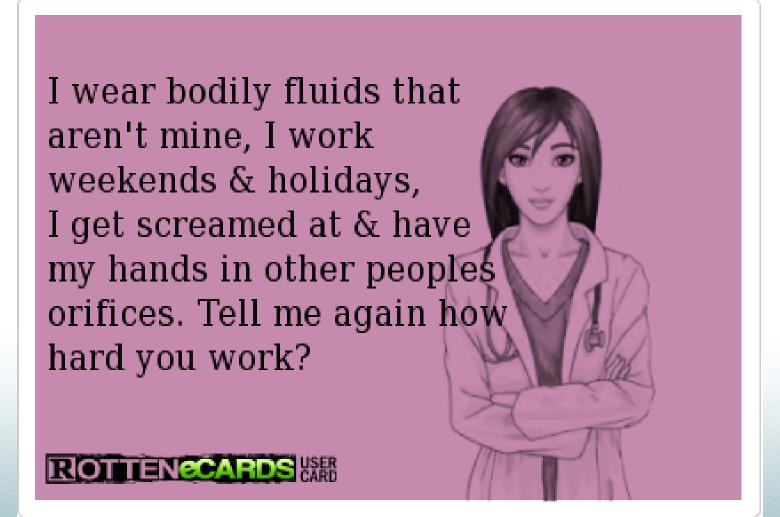


Providing Critical Program Context Example: Nursing

- Admission requirements
- Wait lists
- Basics about the profession









Institutional and State Policy

Conduct institutional policy review

 Work with state policy leaders to create a state plan for increasing completion

Related KPIs and Goals:

 Increase the % of students who earn a credential (especially prior to transfer)



Policies to Consider

- Faculty
 - classroom policies, attendance policies, grading policies
- Academic departments
 - admissions policies, advising policies, prerequisite policies, placement policies
- Student services
 - advising policies, student success courses and orientation requirements, financial aid policies
- Business office
 - billing and payment policies, drop policies



The Role of Institutional Policy in Scaling Reform

- Structures, policies and practices need to be revised to support new systems
- New structures prevent the institution from falling back into 'old' way of doing things
- Opportunity to reconsider long-standing practices
- Communication key in helping students get accurate information to navigate the college

How Could Your College Move Forward with this Work?



Build: The Team



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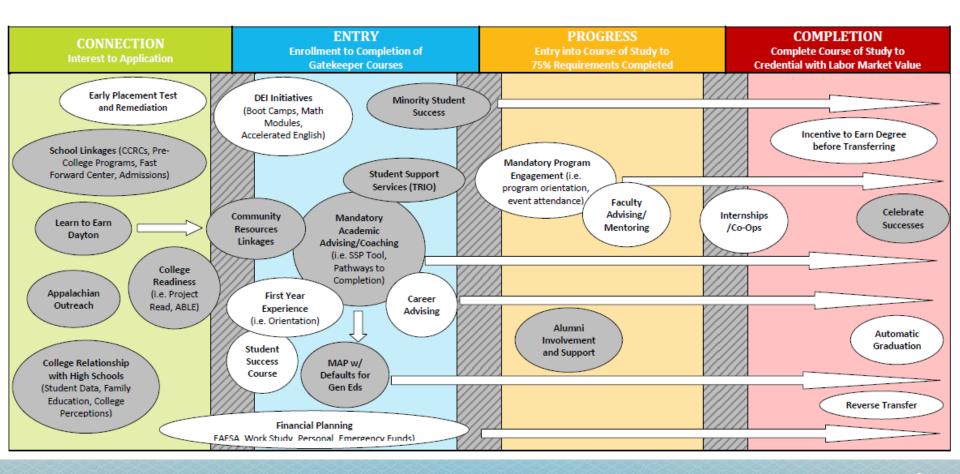


Build: On Existing Work



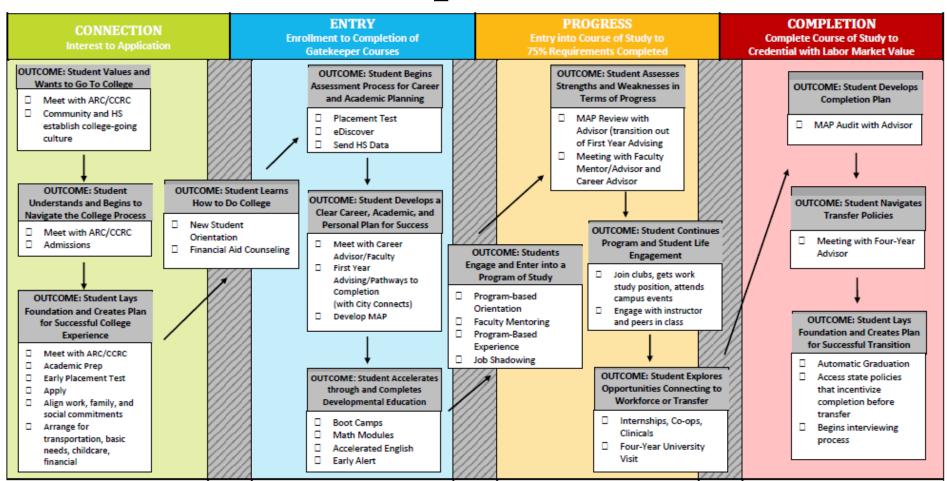


See where the gaps are....



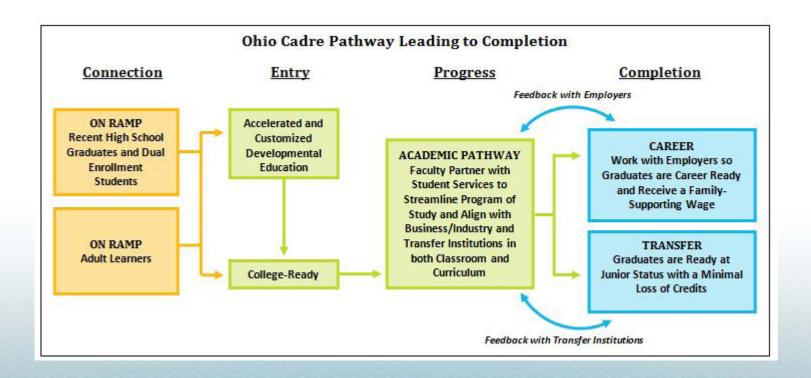


...Develop Outcomes





Implement with the End in Mind



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Preparing to Make the Jump





Discussion Question

How will the college maintain access while improving completion?



Three Things

- 1. Pick Team for April 21st
- 2. Identify Data Points
- 3. Map what you are already doing/gaps

