# Strategic Enrollment Management 

Achieving Excellence

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## Overview

- Achieving excellence
- What is Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) and why is it important to the College?
- TCC's SEM development process
- SENSE, CCSSE and student outcomes
- Outcomes and strategies
- Targets
- Next steps


## Achieving Excellence

- TCC is a center of excellence focused on student success, but we can always get better!
- Our aspiration - to be recognized as the best in the nation by:
- Improving student outcomes
- Enhancing our state reputation
- Expanding our national presence
- Competing internationally


## What is SEM?

- SEM is a comprehensive process designed to help an institution achieve and maintain the optimum recruitment, retention, and graduation rates of students where "optimal" is defined in the "academic context" of the institution.


## Why is SEM Planning Important to TCC?

- SEM integrates programs, practices, policies, procedures, and planning activities related to recruitment, retention, and graduation/ program completion.
- SEM allows institutions to have a rational, data-informed approach to sustained enrollment growth and institutional health.



## Characteristics of SEM

- Mission driven
- Linked to the strategic plan

Requires strong leadership

- Campus-wide responsibility
- Synonymous with student learning and success


## Characteristics of SEM

- Views retention as progress toward educational goals
- Recognizes the importance of external relationships
- Utilizes appropriate technologies to enhance service
- Data informed with a rich evaluation component


## Functions of SEM



## SEM Leadership



## SEM Planning

## - Requires knowledge of:

Institutional budgets
Funding
Communications and marketing
Academic programs
Admissions and records processes, practices, and standards Recruitment
Student services including
orientation, advising, learning
support
Financial assistance
Academic preparation
Institutional fit
External demographics
Institutional profile

Student transitions
Intervention and retention strategies
Alumni relations
Campus environment
Campus communication
Career development
Learning styles and methods
Teaching strategies and delivery
methods
Institutional research, assessment, and data collection
Constituency connections to
campus
Technology
Professional development

## Outcomes: General Themes

- Clear and consistent communication
- Clear, consistent, and transparent processes
- Accurate and timely data
- Effective marketing and communication
- Ongoing training and professional development
- Leverage technology, but remember that personal connections make the difference


# Survey of Entering Student Engagement (SENSE) Benchmarks 

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| SENSE benchmark score on Clear Academic Plan and Pathway | 48.3 |
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## Student Success Outcomes

| Performance Measures | TCC 3 Yr Avg | State Avg |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Student Retention Rate |  |  |
|  | AA | 64.5 |
| AS | 57.4 | 56.7 |
| Student Completion Rate (within 3 years) | 36.1 | 35.5 |
| Student Transfer Rate | 70.9 | 51.0 |
| Time to Degree |  |  |
| With Acceleration | 3.1 years | 2.7 years |
| Without Acceleration | 4.3 years | 4.4 years |
| Placement Rate |  |  |
|  | AS | 86.3 |
| PSAV | 81.6 | 80.5 |

## Ramp Up Existing Strategies

Effective Track to College Readiness

- Strengthen relationships with high school guidance counselors
- Regular communication and meeting schedule
- In-depth information and advisor training to assist with dual enrollment students
- Implement clearly communicated deadlines for all admissions and financial aid processes


## Ramp Up Existing Strategies Early Connections

- Implement programmatic and marketing strategies to attract special populations:
- Honors students
- Veterans
- Dual-enrolled HS students
- Online students
- International students
- Returning adult students


## Ramp Up Existing Strategies <br> Early Connections

- Tailor New Student Orientation to increase relevance and first semester success (new students, transfer, veterans, athletes, international, readmits)
- Utilize Student Ambassadors and other student leaders as Peer Advisors in the Advising Center and in New Student Orientation


# Ramp Up Existing Strategies 

Clear Academic Plan and Pathways/Support for Learners

- Strengthen career planning and assessment; early selection of meta-major
- Create a comprehensive advising plan with:
- Common messaging
- Branding
- Advising scripts
- Online Planning Tools
- MAPS and milestones for all TCC programs
- clear academic pathways


## Ramp Up Existing Strategies Support for Learners/Student-Faculty Interaction

- Clearly define and communicate advising roles for staff and faculty; create a series of professional development opportunities to focus on advising skills, philosophy, theory, and research


## Ramp Up Existing Strategies Support for Learners/Early Connections

- Implement Early Alert for students in all disciplines at all levels of courses, not just for FTIC students
- Interventions need to occur early in the term so students can receive timely assistance


## Ramp Up Existing Strategies Support for Learners/Early Connections

- Starfish EARLY ALERT is an early warning and student tracking system which:

Will allow us to efficiently identify at-risk students and then manage our efforts to provide support

- Is integrated with our existing learning management system and our Student Information system
- Is integrated with Outlook for easy scheduling and communication


## Starfish Early Alert and Connect

- Progress reports
- Ability to raise flags as needed
- Track attendance
- Pull data from Blackboard and other systems
- Make referrals


## Proactive (Intrusive) Advising

Major focus on academic/career planning and retention strategies from orientation through goal attainment tailored to different programs and pathways

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## First Semester



Second Semester
$\left.\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|}\hline \text { Student meets with } \\ \text { advisor during } \\ \text { weeks } 4 \text { to } 12 \text { to } \\ \text { clarify long term } \\ \text { goals, career plans, } \\ \text { develop an } \\ \text { academic plan, and } \\ \text { address any alerts } \\ \text { or issues with } \\ \text { standards of } \\ \text { academic progress }\end{array}\right)$

18 hours


# Ramp Up Existing Strategies 

Engaged Learning/ High Expectations and Aspirations

- Provide additional support and leadership for academic enrichment programs:

Honors<br>- STEM<br>- Forensics<br>- Model UN<br>- Global Gateway<br>- Brain Bowl<br>- The Arts<br>- Service Learning<br>- Study Abroad

# Ramp Up Existing Strategies 

Engaged Learning/Academic and Social Support Network

- Scale up and/or modify successful programs to increase impact and effectiveness:

College Success

- Statway (Statistics Pathway)
- Distance Learning Workshops
- Connect2Complete
- Service Learning and Civic Engagement
- Co-curricular programs


# Ramp Up Existing Strategies 

## Engaged Learning/Academic and Social Support Network

- Evaluate the Learning Commons and Library facilities for possible future expansion:

Out of class support for developmental education and gateway (math and English) courses

- Additional writing requirements in social sciences
- Changes to general education curriculum
- Advances in instructional technology Track usage through 2014-2015


# New Strategies in Progress 

Clear Academic Plan and Pathway/High Expectations and Aspirations

- Implement accelerated programs to decrease time to completion and improve completion rates
- Collaborate with transfer institutions to establish "Golden Guarantee" Programs
- TCC 2FSU
- TCC2FAMU
- TCC2UWF


## New Strategies

Effective Track to College Readiness/Clear Academic Plan and Pathway

- Acquire software that will:
- Align knowledge and skills of available job offerings to curriculum
- Provide reliable local, regional, and national job availability
- Promote educational pathways for AS degree and certificate programs - stackable credentials; create cohorts


## New Strategies in Progress

- Implement a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) System
- Create a comprehensive, data driven enrollment marketing and communications plan
- Conduct market research; develop, implement and assess


## New Strategies to Improve Service

- Partner with outside companies to:
- Manage calls and FAQs - seamless for students
- Process transcript requests - nominal fee to students, no cost to TCC
- Expand document imaging to Admissions and Student Records
- Reduce loan default rate


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## High Impact Practices Institute

- Invitation to participate by Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE)March 30th - April 1st, 2014
- Team of five refining strategies for:
- Placement Test, Preparation and Proper Placement
- Academic Goal Setting and Planning
- Accelerated Developmental Education
- Academic Alert and Intervention System
- Class Attendance
- Student Success Course


## Next Steps

- Refine strategies; finalize timelines, resources and responsibilities
- Refine assessment measures
- Conduct market research and develop college marketing plan
- Implement, monitor, assess and revise


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