Get Out of the Office!

Effective Advising practices outside of the Advising Office

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• Location
• Population
• Advising History
• Current Model
  – Counseling/Advising
  – NSO
SUCCEED @ CLC Program

• Prepare
  – Skillshops
  – Leadership Series
  – Succeed Conference

• Study
  – Study Zone

• Connect
  – Don’t Cancel that Class
  – Collaboration Events
Prepare: Skillshops

• 50 minute format
• Offered multiple times each week
• Variety of topics
  – Study Skills, Transfer Planning, Test Taking, Time Management, Working with Professors, etc.
• Carrot: Monthly Drawing
• Assessment: 100% thought the information will help them succeed in college. 100% would recommend the workshop to others. 60 participants.
Prepare: Leadership Series

- 90 minute format, interactive
- Workshops intended as series, but can be stand alone
- Topics: What is a Leader, Leadership Styles, Communication Skills, Diversity in Leadership, Leading with Purpose
- Carrot: Leadership Certificate, Invitation to End of Year Banquet, and Co-Curricular Transcript
- Assessment: 95.4% thought the information will help them succeed in college. 94.7% would recommend the workshop to others. Over 150 participants.
Prepare: Succeed Conference

- 5 hour format
- Saturday after classes begin
- TED Talk style Keynote, featuring CLC students
- Choice of Workshops, taught by Faculty/Staff
  - Academic, Personal, Career, etc.
- Faculty Panel
- Carrot: Breakfast and Lunch, Raffles, CLC swag
- Assessment: 94.9% thought the information will help them succeed in college. 95% would recommend the conference to others. 75 participants.
Study: Study Zone

- 5 days/week, 6 hours/day
- Quiet Space in Library
- Staffed with tutors
- Free printing
- Required of Student Athletes
- Free Coffee/Tea
- Carrot: Monthly Drawing
Connect: Don’t Cancel that Class

• 50 minute format
• Plug and Play
• Various Topics available
  – Academic Success, Personal, Transfer, etc.
• Not just for absences
• Carrot: No wasted class sessions
Connect: Collaboration Events

• Transfer Department
  – Transfer Fairs
  – College Visit Days
• Student Activities
• Library Seminars
• Career/Placement Services
  – Job Fairs
  – Workshops
Assessment

• 40% increase to retention/persistence, 2013-2014
• NSO completers 20% increase overall, 2012-2016
• IEPR Survey Results, 97% found advising session very helpful, 2016-2017
• Student Comments
  – “The Conference was very informative and the faculty/staff were welcoming and helpful”.
  – “Gave me the motivation to do better with my grades, and tips on how to do it”.
  – “They helped simplify what I thought was complicated”.
  – “I am terrible at saving money and this helped me to realize how dumb I’ve been”.
  – “I liked how I learned things to help in my personal life”.

New Projects

• Academic Completion Plan (ACP)
• Updated New Student Orientation (NSO)
• Mobile Advising
  – Booked over 50 appointments first two days
• Advising Video
• Promotional Items
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