

LEADING INDICATORS OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS



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CSU Graduation Rate Improvement Project (GRIP) GOALS

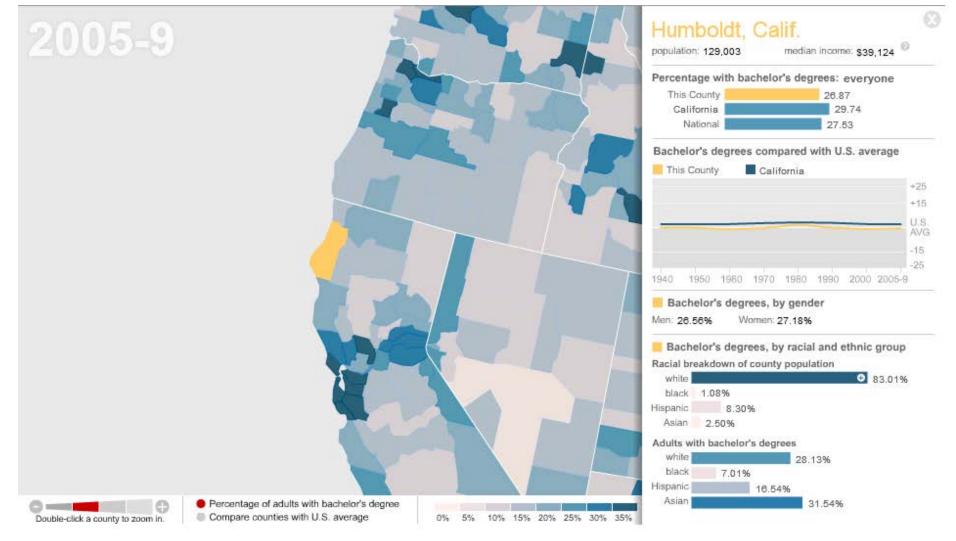
 Increase Graduation Rates for all students by 12% by 2015

 Increase Graduation Rates for URM students by 15% by 2015

Need an 80% FTF retention rate to stay on track



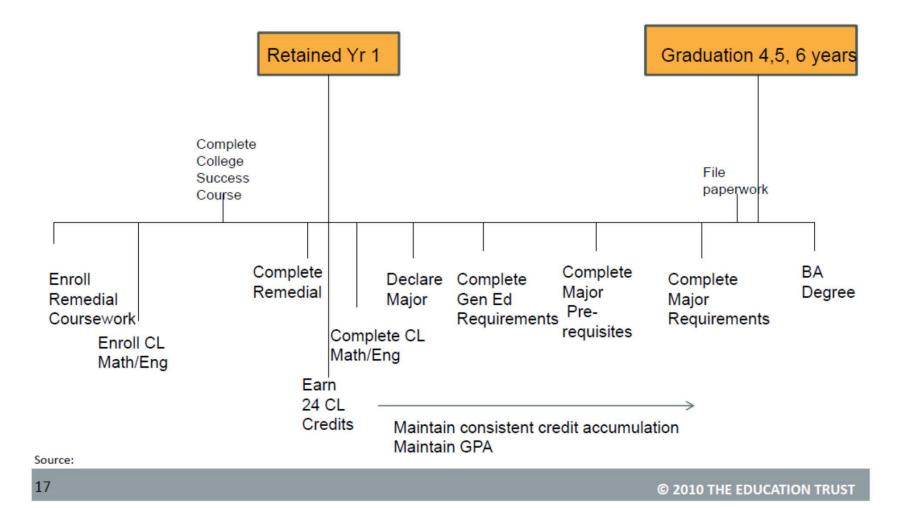
Humboldt County Degree Attainment



http://chronicle.com/article/Adults-With-College-Degrees-in/125995/



Milestone Events in Student Pathway to Completion



Data Analysis

- Ten Years of Longitudinal Data 2000-2010
- Benchmarks of Educational Success and Non Success
- Analyze Students from Freshman through Senior
- Measure Achievement Gaps Between Males and Females and URM and Non-URM Students



First-Time Freshmen

AVG 2000-2010

56% Female

30% URM

36% From Southern CA

37% Pell Grant

45% First Generation

82% Live on Campus

17% Undeclared

Average SAT: 1042

Average HGPA 3.18

Remedial Students 38%

Fall 2011

55% Female

38% URM

44% From Southern CA

46% Pell Grant

50% First Generation

84% Live on Campus

15% Undeclared

Average SAT: 1022

Average HGPA 3.15

Remedial Students 47%

First Year Benchmarks- Fall 2009 Cohort

| Benchmark | Status |
|---|---|
| Complete Remedial Work | 68% of Students Finished Remediation within One Year |
| Earn 24 College Level Units | 57% Earned 24 College Level units within their First Year |
| Complete a College Level Course Successfully | 90% had a cumulative GPA of >2.0 |
| Retain 80% to meet GRIP Goals | 74.0% retention rate (73.8% for Fall 2010) |



Second Year Benchmarks - Fall 2009 Cohort

| Benchmark | Status |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Complete 48 Units | 81% completed 48 units total |
| Complete 48 College Level Units | 68% completed 48 College Level units |
| Declare a Major | 92% Declared a Major |
| Retain 73% to meet GRIP Target | 60% were retained |



Two Key Retention Issues for First Time Freshman:

Remedial students (1/2 of FTF cohort)

Probationary students (20% of FTF cohort)



Interventions for Remedial Students

- Mandatory First Year Freshmen Experience (FYFE) for all single and dual remedial students
- Course transformations in Remedial Math and English Courses
- Use of the Learning center, Tutorial Services and Supplemental Instruction
- Early Start that identifies College Readiness



Interventions for Students on Academic Probation

- Identify FTF on Academic Probation after 1st semester
- Enroll in Intrusive Academic Probation Counseling
- Measure students who go off probation by end of 1st year and track students who remain on probation
- Measure retention the next fall



Characteristics of Students on Academic Probation

- 20% of Freshmen are on Academic Probation or Disqualification at the end of the First Year
- Half of all probationary/disqualified students drop out after their first year
- ▶ 18% of probationary students graduate within 6 years
- Probationary students are more likely to have a HSGPA <3.0</p>
 - Are more likely to be male and/or URM
 - Accumulate less units after their first semester



| One Year Retention Rates | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|------------|
| | Fall 06 | Fall 07 | Fall 08 | Fall 09 | Fall 10 | 5 yr avg | |
| % returned | 74% | 73% | 72% | 74% | 74% | 73% | |
| Female | 76% | 76% | 77% | 76% | 74% | 76% | |
| Male | 73% | 69% | 66% | 71% | 73% | 69% | |
| URM | 71% | 71% | 74% | 74% | 74% | 72% | |
| Non-URM | 75% | 76% | 75% | 74% | 75% | 74% | |
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| | Fall 06 | Fall 07 | Fall 08 | Fall 09 | Fall 10 | 5 yr avg | |
| % returned | 63% | 59% | 61% | 62% | 60% | 61% | \searrow |
| Female | 67% | 60% | 65% | 65% | 62% | 65% | \searrow |
| Male | 57% | 58% | 56% | 58% | 58% | 57% | \sim |
| URM | 66% | 54% | 56% | 64% | 60% | 61% | \searrow |
| Non-URM | 62% | 63% | 67% | 64% | 61% | 64% | |



Six Year Graduation Rates

| | Fall 2000 | Fall 2001 | Fall 2002 | Fall 2003 | Fall 2004 | Fall 2005 | |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| All Students | 44% | 41% | 42% | 42% | 37% | 41% | \langle |
| Female | 48% | 47% | 45% | 47% | 42% | 45% | \sim |
| Male | 38% | 34% | 38% | 34% | 29% | 36% | \checkmark |
| Non-URM | 50% | 47% | 49% | 48% | 43% | 45% | \checkmark |
| URM | 38% | 29% | 31% | 39% | 26% | 24% | |

- Declining Graduation Rates since Fall 2000
- Ongoing Gaps between URM and Non-URM students
- Ongoing Gaps between Males and Females



Senior Success Strategies

- Exit survey for seniors who graduate
- Refer seniors who applied for graduation but didn't graduate to advising for degree audit
- Survey seniors who did not apply for graduation and find out why
- Address financial and academic needs



Closing the Achievement Gap

- First Year Freshmen Experience for all students
- Department Diversity Plans to address
- Analyze Disproportionate Impact as part of Annual/Program Review
- Book Circles for Faculty and Staff
- Professional Development opportunities To Create Inclusive Classrooms



Students Who Leave

- 36% Attend a Community College
- 14% Transfer to Another CSU
- Leave Primarily for Financial or Academic Reasons
- Have a Hard Time Finding Jobs (especially first time freshmen)
- Compounding Effect of the Economy



Research-Identified Areas Necessary to Increase Retention

- Monitor student progress their first and second year for GPA and units completed, and implement appropriate interventions
- Track students who don't complete general education requirement and don't stay on their degree timeline
- Supply financial aid and work study to the students with highest need
- Increase Supplemental Instruction, especially for URM students
- All students should fill out the FAFSA regardless of perceived need (since circumstances change)



Additional Areas of Research

- Track seniors to make sure they are on schedule for timely degree completion
- Collect additional data on males and URM males to better understand their educational trajectory
- Track students who leave or are in danger of leaving HSU

