

Central Florida Regional Curriculum Alignment Conference Report

April 7, 2023

Daytona State College





CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT CONFERENCE APRIL 7, 2023

Each spring the Curriculum Alignment Initiative hosts a conference attended by academic leaders, faculty members and academic advisors from across the seven DirectConnect to UCF® institutions, and partners in the area public school systems. At this conference, participants share insights and information regarding the curriculum alignment efforts by attending presentations and informational or interactive sessions provided to enhance and promote the curriculum alignment efforts.

With the goals of Curriculum Alignment and transfer student success in mind, the tracks are:

Track 1 – Multiple Modalities of Instruction

Track 2 - Authentic Assessments

Track 3 – Using Data for Student Success

















Central Florida District Schools

Time	Sessions/Presenters
8:30-9 a.m.	Arrivals & Continental Breakfast
9-9:05 a.m.	Opening Remarks Dr. Teresa Doman, University of Central Florida
9:05-9:30 a.m.	Welcome Address Dr. Theodorea Regina Berry, University of Central Florida
9:30-10:15 a.m.	Transfer Student Data Dr. Pam Cavanaugh, University of Central Florida
10:15-10:30 a.m.	Announcements
10:30-11:15 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions: Select one Track 1: Multiple Modalities of Instruction Main Conference Room

Tick Tock, Tick Tock, Are You Reaching the Stimulus Saturated Millennials?

Ms. Sue Wheeler, Daytona State College Dr. Connie Hudspeth, Seminole State College

The TikTok mindset is rewiring student's brains and causing them to have shortened attention spans. How do we change our modalities to accommodate shortened attention spans? Join us as we help you navigate the "glazed over" look in students' eyes and consider online assignments that are shorter in length, the need for visual stimulus, interactive activities, and quick clicks to links with examples. How do we compete with the oversaturation of praise (think about Candy Crush wherein players receive gold stars, confetti, yayyys, and consider Facebook with "likes")? We will contrast these methods with old "tried and true" methods many of us are still utilizing. We will also look at current research about teaching modalities as we re-engineer ourselves to be more effective in the classroom. This session will be super interactive so please come prepared to have fun while discovering and sharing, and maybe earn a gold star!

Track 2: Authentic Assessments | Room: 221

The Impact of Multiple-Attempt Testing in Transfer Students Success Dr. Marino Nader, Dr. Hyoung Jin Cho, University of Central Florida

The three-attempts testing is a strategy that I have used in a gateway engineering class to mitigate transfer shock and help the overall success of all students. This has so far proven to be the right method of assessment because learning possibilities are also interwoven in the process. This method not only helps the students succeed, but it gives them hope each time they see their grades increase for each attempt they make, making it like scaffolding blocks the students can hinge their forward steps upon for higher success. This presentation will share and discuss aggregate student success data from a Spring 2021 engineering dynamics class at the university. Initial findings suggest that with the first attempts the First Time in College (FTIC) student always beat the Transfer Student, but by the third attempt, it was found out that both groups achieved the same percentage success of 51%-51% in the tests. This method also puts the students at ease, makes them comfortable when taking their tests and thus minimizes exams stress. It seems there is a lot of potential with this methodology.

Time

Sessions/Presenters

Track 3: Using Data for Student Success | Room: 225

Creation of Accounting Discipline Transfer Student Resource and Success Website

Dr. Jeff Reinking, University of Central Florida

We developed a website specific to accounting direct connect students that is used at the State College level to engage with pre-accounting students before they get to UCF. The faculty at the Direct Connect institutions embed the website URL in their syllabi and discuss with the website content with potential accounting students. The website, which is discipline specific, outlines what needs to be completed at State College, first steps once you get to UCF, outline of courses and prerequisites, CPA licensing requirements, career opportunities, and our pre-accounting Canvas resource they will have access to at UCF. We created this resource using faculty feedback from both UCF and State Colleges, archived minutes and emails, and anecdotal student feedback. The impact of this website will be creating more interest in the accounting profession as well as creating higher levels of success once students transfer to UCF and take ACG 3131, the required course to gain access to the accounting major. The data we gathered was critical in building the resource to help our students succeed in the accounting major at UCF.

11:15-11:30 a.m.

Break

11:30 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions: Select one

Track 1: Multiple Modalities of Instruction | Main Conference Room

Course Design to Maximize Learning

Mr. Adam LaMee, University of Central Florida

While findings pedagogy research can sometimes seem difficult to apply to one's particular situation, this session will lead participants through drafting a course plan using practical recommendations from leading professional organizations and widely-adopted studies.

Track 1: Authentic Assessments | Room: 225

Meeting Post-Pandemic Alignment Challenges with Innovation and Cooperation: The Fundamentals of Speech Repository

Dr. Adam Parrish & Ms. Shari Hodgson, University of Central Florida

Collaborative conversations with colleagues frequently produce exciting and effective instructional and student engagement strategies. However, the hectic world of higher education sometimes limits opportunities for scholars to interact and share ideas meaningfully. Significant changes in workplace engagement and communication caused by the COVID-19 pandemic could also hinder purposeful partnerships. Meeting these challenges requires cooperation and innovation. In this session, presenters will discuss the Fundamentals of Speech Repository (FSP). The FSP was created in 2022 as a collaborative effort between the University of Central Florida and its DirectConnect State College Partners. It provides free, ready-to-go instructional materials for fundamental speech courses, which can be accessed by any faculty member or teaching assistant in the UCF/DirectConnect system. Presenters will explore the creation, curation, and continued evolution of the FSP, as well as facilitate an interactive discussion about sharing academic materials and student engagement strategies within and among academic disciplines.

Sessions/Presenters Time Track 2: Using Data for Student Success | Room: 221 Course-Level Assessment for Degree Pathways Ms. Nichole Jackson, Ms. Kristin Abel, Dr. Lynn Sims, Dr. Lynta Thomas, & Dr. Veeramuthu Rajaravivarma, Valencia College A pathway is more than a route to an outcome or a recommended sequence of courses. Do students have expectations about what they will learn within a pathway? By aligning assessments to learning outcomes within pathways we can become more transparent about what students learn along each pathway. In this session a panel will guide participants in discussion of pathway assessments embedded at the course level and how the results lead to strategies for improving learning. Alternate Track | Room: 226 The Digital Dance: How Technology and Collaboration is Creating an Articulation Platform to Create Smoother Pathways for Transfer Students Mr. Scott Mauro, University of Central Florida Scott Mauro, Associate Director of strategy for the Florida Consortium of Metropolitan Research Universities, reviews results from a recent symposium of where three metropolitan institutions collaborated on a digital platform to assist students through technology to design self-guided degree plans prior to transfer so they have better information and a better transfer experience. 12:15-1 p.m. Lunch 1-1:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions: Select one Track 1: Multiple Modalities of Instruction | Main Conference Room Escaping to Reality: How Engaging Students in an Escape Room can Open their Minds to New Possibilities in Research Ms. Sue Wheeler & Ms. Anibal Delgado Gonzalez, Daytona State College Join us as we participate in an Escape Room designed to captivate students'

perceptions of libraries and electronic databases. With the goal of increasing information literacy, this activity was a collaborative effort to bring much needed components of identifying; finding; evaluating; applying and acknowledging sources of information to students while engaging them in a nontraditional format.

We will discuss current research regarding game-based learning or gamification and systematic reviews, specifically focusing on the trends of educational escape rooms; the main characteristics of an educational escape room; and the advantages and challenges of using escape rooms in educational settings. This session will be interactive and will allow participants to experience an Escape Room as well as to give insight into how the development of specific game-based learning can benefit students at each of our academic institutions.

Track 2: Authentic Assessments | Room: 221

UCF's Integrative General Education Program & the Co-Curricular Student Experience

Dr. Amy Darty, Dr. Annabelle Conroy & Dr. Wayne Bowen, University of Central Florida

UCF College of Undergraduate Studies (CUGS) has worked with faculty and student

stakeholders to create an integrative experience for General Education coursework across disciplines by emphasizing shared learning outcomes. In our presentation, we will share the 5 Integrative GEP Experience Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) and examples of their use by faculty in co-curricular assignments and assessment. Then, participants will have a hands-on opportunity to compare their GEP foundations and how UCF's Integrative GEP SLOs can connect their student advising and course administration. Creating a new co-curricular approach to assessment, which begins with the primary Communication, Historical & Cultural, Mathematical, Social and Science Foundations, has streamlined understanding of the comparative outcomes promoted by courses within the same Foundation area but also across them. The five SLO emphasized in our integrative approach, Communications, Cultural Interactions, Problem Solving, Interpretation & Evaluation, and Knowledge Application, reach across the core Foundation areas of GEP curriculum to better engage students' understanding of how the courses they complete work together to build an interconnected foundation for upper-level coursework. This embodies the Curriculum Alignment focus as it promotes the learning outcomes of an Integrative GEP as the gateway to degree and career development and student reflective practice. Track 2: Using Data for Student Success: Room 225
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Fostering College Readiness in Chemistry through Coordinated High School Manual Ms. Carey Krzeminski & Mr. Alexander Stubenbort, Orange County Public Schools
Teachers are frequently isolated in their classrooms with little time to collaborate with colleagues. This only increases as we move upward in K-12 education which leads to some high school subject area teachers working in a silo leading to varied interpretations of state standards and lack of guidance for beginning teachers.
This presentation will explain how Orange County Public Schools created a resource, The Chemistry Essential Labs Manual, to support high school Chemistry teachers in implementing lab activities that connect to state standards. The presentation will describe the process for creating this resource from the beginning to its current state, the professional development provided to teachers to create buy-in as well as the collaborations between high school and University faculty that resulted during its creation to provide further alignment from K-12 to post secondary.
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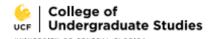
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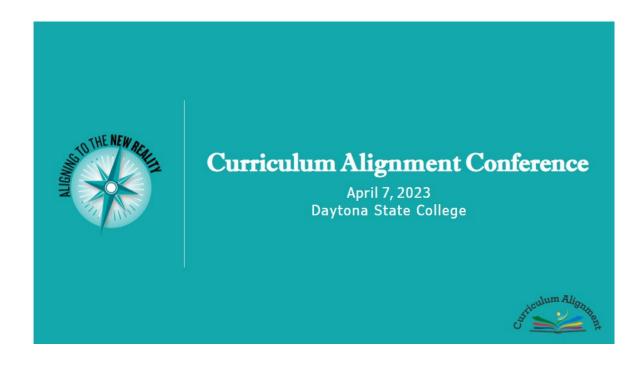
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Please enjoy the continental breakfast





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Opening Remarks

Dr. Teresa Dorman Associate Dean of the College of Sciences University of Central Florida





Keynote Presentation

Presented by: Dr. Theodorea Regina Berry
Vice Provost & Dean of the College of Undergraduate Studies
University of Central Florida







Understanding Curriculum and Curriculum Alignment

Theodorea Regina Berry, Ed.D. Vice Provost and Dean College of Undergraduate Studies



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My Curriculum History...



A Short Story

What is Curriculum?

- Subjects comprising a course of study in school, college, or university.
- All of the learning of students which is planned by and directed by the school to attain its educational goals. (Tyler)
- A continuous reconstruction, moving from the learner's present experience out into that represented by the organized bodies of truth that we call studies...(Dewey)
- · From the Latin "currere," meaning "to run the race/course."

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Curriculum and Higher Education

- An undergraduate curriculum is a formal academic plan for the learning experiences of students in pursuit of a college degree. (Dezure)
- During the 1980s, critiques of American higher education were increasing in frequency and stridence. How do we know what college students are learning and what they need to contribute to the workforce and society?

Curriculum Alignment Pre-January 2020



Pre-Supposition

Horizontal Curriculum Alignment provides all students (FTIC and Transfer) with the same foundational knowledge

Problems?

- Not all students receiving the same grades in a prerequisite/general education course were performing the same in the subsequent/core/required course
- Different programs had different understandings/requirements for transfer students to be major ready



Asset-Oriented Thinking

Vertical Curriculum Alignment

- Curriculum alignment meetings between prerequisite instructors and major professors
- Includes discussion about assessments, evaluations, and student learning outcomes
- Compliments Curricular Analytics Project

Defining and Articulating Major Readiness

- Creating clarity and transparency about what students need to successfully transition
- Transfer credit evaluation system improvement

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Key Ingredient: Partnership

Curriculum, Communication, Collaboration, Cohesion

Partnership and Curriculum Alignment

Context for the Work Ahead

- What knowledge (and experiences) are most worthwhile?
- Who/what determines the knowledge (and experiences) that are most worthwhile?

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Partnerships for Curriculum Alignment: Leaning on the Foundation

- State Colleges
- · Board of Governors and Legislature
- CFEED
- UCF
 - · Academic colleges/departments
 - Academic Policy
 - · Curriculum Alignment Team
 - UCF Connect, DirectConnect to UCF® Steering Committee, CACC

Transfer Student Data

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Dr. Pam Cavanaugh, Associate Vice Provost of UCF Connect Division of Student Success and Well-Being University of Central Florida



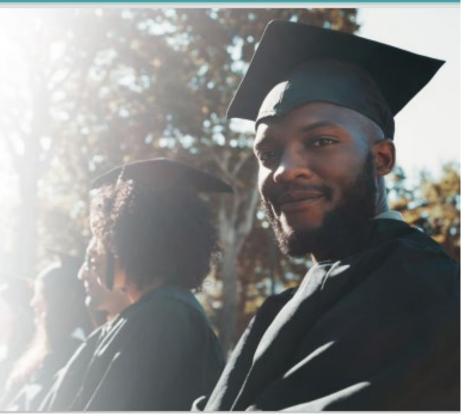




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TRANSFER STUDENT DATA

Dr. Pam Cavanaugh
Associate Vice Provost
UCF Connect & Transfer Student Success
Division of Student Success & Well-Being





"The reckoning is here"

More than a third of community college students have vanished

Among those who do enroll, red tape and a lack of support are crushing their ambitions

The Hechinger Report, April 3, 2023

STATE OF TRANSFERS

Higher education lost over 296,000 transfer students during the pandemic.

Transfer Student Enrollment from 2-year to 4-year down

14.5%



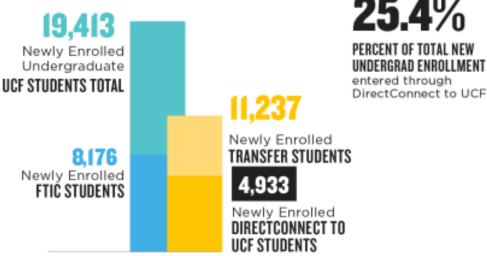
New trends in transfers

- 4-year to 4-year increasing
- · 2-year to 2-year increasing
- 4-year to 2-year increasing

Source: National Student Clearinghouse Research Center

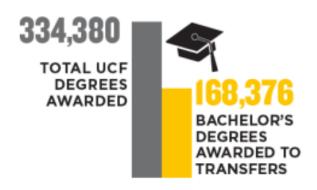
STATE OF TRANSFERS AT UCF 2022-2023 SNAPSHOT



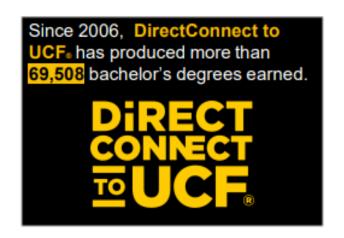


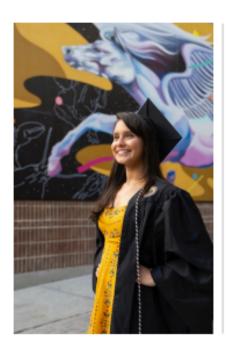
STATE OF TRANSFERS AT UCF

Degrees Conferred



As of 4/5/23 50.4% of all UCF undergraduate degrees were awarded to transfer students.





INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

DirectConnect to UCF transfer students strongly represent underserved populations.

Undergraduate Enrollment Fall 2021	DirectConnect	FTIC				
Total Minority	54.7% (8,675 of 15,562)	49.6% (14,811 of 29,858)				
Hispanic/Latinx	34.2% (5,325 of 15,562)	27.5% (8,204 of 29,858)				
African American	11.8% (1,843 of 15,562)	8.5% (2,551 of 29,858)				
Pell Eligible (first year)	50.3% (7,829 of 15,562)	28.2% (8,407 of 29,858)				
First Generation	26.6% (4,133 of 15,562)	16.9% (5,062 of 29,858)				

DIRECTCONNECT TO UCF® SHARED GOVERNANCE

Presidents from UCF and the Six State College Partners

UCF Connect

- The UCF unit that has oversight of DirectConnect for the
- Hires Success Coaches, and oversees the UCF staff assigned to and embedded with the state college advising units
- Facilitates the communication plans, centralized data collection/reporting, and marketing for DirectConnect

Consortium Academic Coordinating

- Committee (CACC)
- administrators appointed by the president and/or provost Reviews the regional academic program needs and plans, with a particular focus on additional baccalaureate degree offerings, in order to reduce inefficient duplication of programs among and
- Guide and oversee Curriculum Alignment efforts

DirectConnect to UCF Steering Committee

- Chief student and academic affairs officers of all partner institutions comprise the steering committee to meet twice a year and set priorities and high-level strategies for continued, successful operations for the consortium
- Senior level administrators, deans, chairs, enrollment services representatives, student services representatives, and academic advisors from respective institutions meet to discuss program updates, enrollment and graduation data, academic advisement initiatives, and student services programs. Guides and oversees the five working groups: Advising Alignment, Curriculum Alignment, Data Sharing, Enrollment Services, Resource Development, and

Daily Operations of DirectConnect to UCF and the Student Experience















- Overseen by the institutions themselves with joint-use space staffed by both state college advisors and UCF Success Coaches
- Students receive advising; student services; pre-transfer support; transition, admission, financial aid, and enrollment assistance to UCF;
- Partner together for various student success programs, to include classroom visits, tabling events, outreach initiatives, workshops, and the SEE UCF and STEP into UCF programs, which offer UCF campus tours and admission support to DirectConnect students



COLLEGE ACCESS SUMMIT

Administrators, faculty, advisors, coaches, and staff from partner institutions convene annually to develop new and improved opportunities to prepare major- and transfer-ready students for transition to UCF.

2022-2023 TEAMS Project

(Transfer Excellence, Achievement, Mindset & Success)

Team 1: Financial Literacy, Planning and Micro Grants

Team 2: Data and Metrics to Inform Transfer Success Strategies

Team 3: Major Readiness At or Before 30-Credit Hours

Team 4: Pre-requisite Completion for Successful Transition



THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Commitment to transfer student readiness and success

Intentional and defined touchpoints grounded in student development competencies, academic and career planning, and academic and social integration

Partnership Driven

- 2013: Committed to enhancing the student experience
- 2014: Conducted multiple student focus groups
- 2015: Piloted the "Pathway" in Webcourses
- 2015: International DirectConnect launched
- 2016: Sent partnership team to Institute for Project Based Learning
- 2016: Earned QEP award for "Enhanced High-Tech DC Pathway"
- 2017: Launched Success Coaching in Connect Centers
- · 2017: Began development on transfer ready mobile app
- 2018: DirectConnect awarded Institutional Excellence for Students in Transition by National Resource Center for Study of Transfer Students
- 2018: Hosted 2-Day Innovation Workshop for Transfer Student Success
- 2021: UCF Success Pathways Launched
- 2021: Curriculum Alignment awarded Institutional Excellence for Students in Transition by National Resource Center for Study of Transfer Students



DIRECTCONNECT STEERING COMMITTEE TASK FORCE GOALS

- Identify new and expanded, data-driven solutions for transfer student success through the DirectConnect to UCF student experience.
- Expand the pipeline of major-ready DC students so they can be junior-ready upon transfer to UCF.
- Expand the pool of transfer-ready DC students so they can have a smoother transition to UCF.

DEFINING MAJOR READINESS

Major Ready students have identified and selected an educational pathway that aligns with their personal interests, career goals, and aptitude and is following their educational plans.

Major Ready students know the academic and program admission requirements for their intended major and have completed the common program prerequisites for that major.

Upon transfer, **Major Ready** students are prepared to begin courses in the major at the junior level, along with native FTIC students.





DEFINING TRANSFER READINESS

Transfer Ready students have completed all components of major readiness, to include knowledge of requirements regarding math pathways, foreign language, certifications, and testing requirements.

Transfer Ready students utilize advisors, coaches, and student success team members to assist them with their pre-transfer and transfer-related issues and requirements, including financial aid, FAFSA, course sequencing, modalities, and course taking behaviors.

Transfer Ready students have identified internships, study abroad, research, and other high impact practices that enhance both their major readiness and transfer success.

Transfer Ready students have identified specific resources and tools to support their ongoing educational success.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The **DirectConnect Steering Committee** is considering recommendations from the **Task Force** that may focus on revisions of consortium agreements and refining partnership efforts to be strategically focused on transfer-and major-readiness issues that meet current and visionary needs.

Additional recommendations include:

- Enhance Curriculum Alignment efforts to identify major readiness at the program level
- Conjoin Curriculum Alignment initiatives with major readiness efforts of DirectConnect

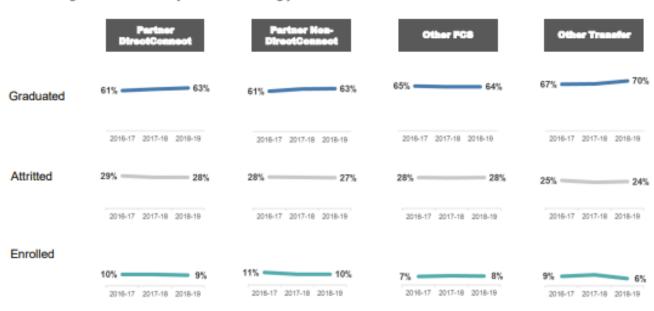


DirectConnect to UCF and FCS AA Transfer Performance Analysis

Analytics and Integrated Planning

TRANSFER GRADUATION, ATTRITION AND ENROLLMENT RATES

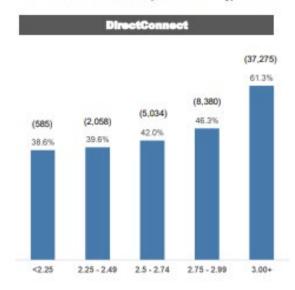
Progress of transfers 4 years after reaching junior status

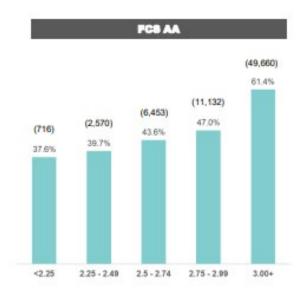


Partners include: College of Central Florida, Daytona State College, Eastern Florida State College, Lake-Sumter State College, Seminole State College, Valencia College

3-YEAR GRADUATION RATES BY TRANSFER COLLEGE GPA

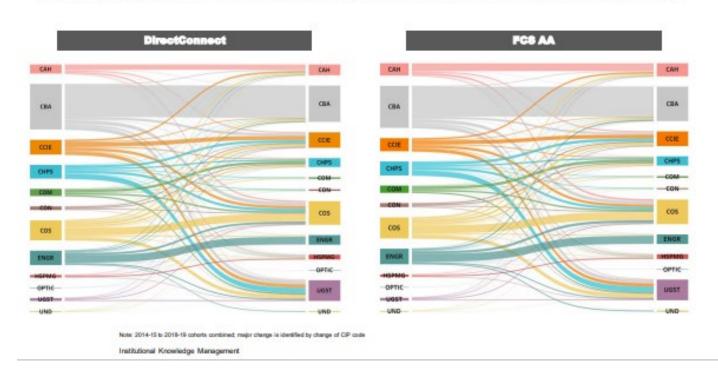
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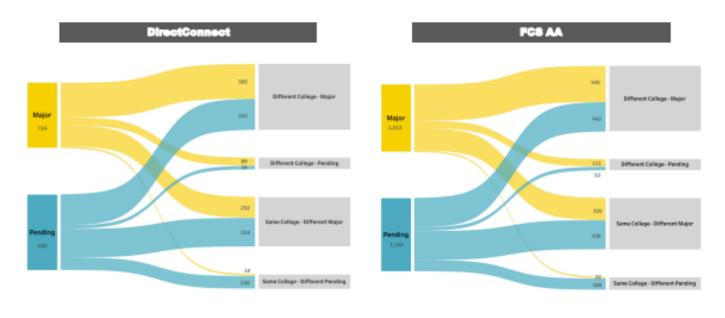


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TRANSFERS WHOSE LAST MAJOR CHANGE WAS IN YEAR 3 BY COLLEGE



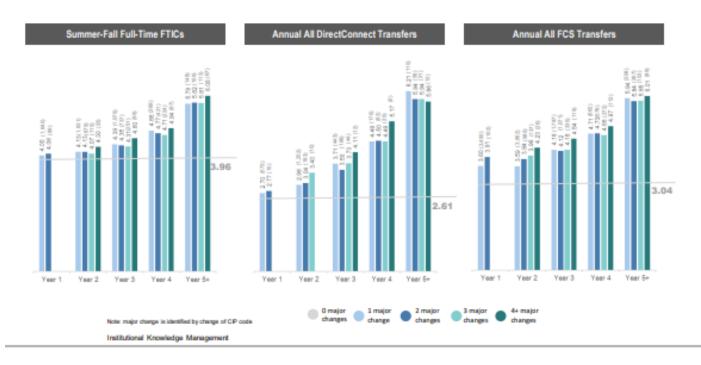
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Note: 2014-15 to 2018-19 cohorts combined; major change is identified by change of CIP code

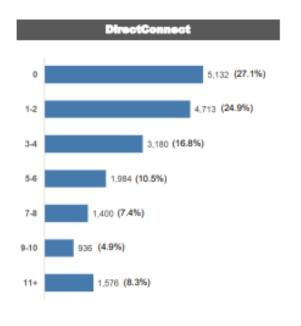
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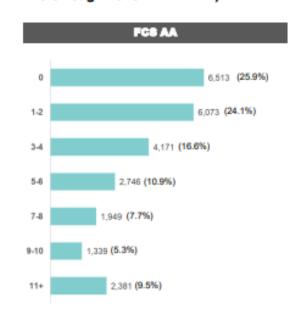
YEARS TO DEGREE BY YEAR ENROLLED AT TIME OF LAST MAJOR CHANGE Cohorts 2012-13 through 2016-17 combined



LOWER LEVEL COURSES TAKEN AT UCF BY TRANSFER COHORTS

Number of students taking lower level courses (2012-13 through 2016-17 cohorts)

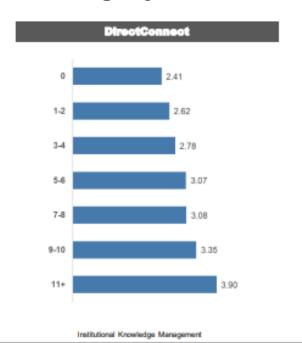




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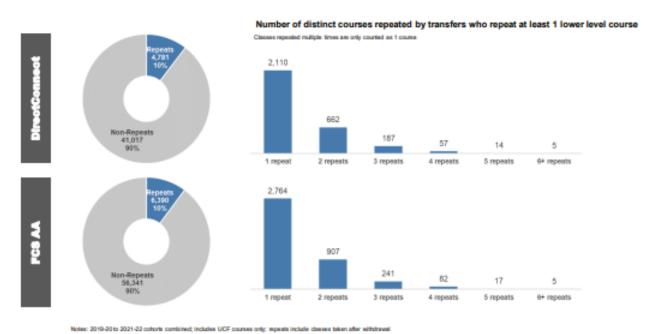
2021-22 FCS AA TRANSFER ENROLLMENT IN LOWER LEVEL COURSES BY STUDENT'S COLLEGE

	CAH	CBA	CCIC	CHPS	COM	0044	005	DYGR	HSPRING	OPTIC	WEST	UND	Grand Total
MIS-2002	4,022	2,125	2,941	5,004	1,799	304	20,179	5,254	1,980	24	636	102	
Chemistry, General	13	24	38	1,490	740	47	1,450	330	5	5	53	30	
Physics, General	47	90	33	1,210	445	3	852	1,454	1.0	5	25	39	
Mathematics, General	40	74	40	151	207		516	1,080	1.0	8	33	28	
Computer and Information Sciences, General	294	480	129	13	4	6	340	1,004	66	1	27	9	
Biology/Biological Sciences, General	4	4	25	566	196	68	629	358	2		14	35	-
Hespitality Administration/Management, General	16	35	35	1.			54	4	1,993		21.		1,74
Spanish Language and Literature	402	21.	60	33	5	9	1,123	14	6		43	1	1,70
Cinematography and Film/Video Production	9.2	27	25	5	4	7	1,175	20	17		20		1,19
Accounting	20	850	126	8	4	5	40	23	3		2	4	1,08
Intermedia/Multimedia	455	21.	1	1.			955	7			9	4	1,04
Malinito, General	13	28	34	149	36	1.1	418	330			31.	1	1,00
Anthropology	60	20	29	37	7	4	792	23	12	1	24	1	99
Business/fitanagerial Economics	19	559	99	32	1	3	46	91	71		27	2	95
Psychology, General	24	31.	49	162	34	28	518	69	4		34	1	96
Fine/Studio Arts, General	689	7	52	6	2	2	306		1		5		62
Education, General	39	6	799	1			33	1			25		85
Music Perfermance, General	429	35	64	39	3	6	98	21	42		35	3	72
Health Services/Allied Health/Wealth Sciences, General		1	9	654		6	18	2	2		9	1	71
Physical Education Treathing and Coathing	50	33	89	244	30	11	310	50	2	3	35	1	62
Art History, Criticism and Conservation	343	6	24	9	3	2	330	6	3		9	2	-
Drama and Dramatics/Theatre Arts, General	329	21	20		1	4	63		52	1			- 49
French Language and Uterature	147	6	21.	31.	1	3	250	5	3.	1	5		43
History, General	153		112	7		9	58	14	23		9		26
Sectology	36	T	81.	28			337	1.2			48	1	34
Mass Communication/Media Studies	25	32	37	30		6	373	13	1.9		22		36
Political Science and Government, General	3"	1	45	25		2	234	5			1	4	23
Ralian Language and Uterature	89	- 3	8	4	1		97	2			T	1	23
Biomedical Sciences, General	3		1	25	504	58	30	1			1		26
Philosophy	53	6	47	30	2	3	54	16	4			1	20
English Language and Literature, General	111	1	71.	1.			4		4		2		15
Japanese Language and Literature	62:		9	1.	1	1	97		1		2		1.0
Elementary Education and Teaching			150									1	1.9
Humanities/Wumanistic Studies	49	6	34	5	1	6	22	7	13		4	1	13
Councelor Education/School Counceling and Guidance Services	1		17	6	2		75				28	2	1.2
Finance, General	4	65	2	3	1		1.6	1.4			8		1.3
Geography	3	1	34				28	40	3		7		1.3

Note: Limited to course disciplines with 100+ total enrollment

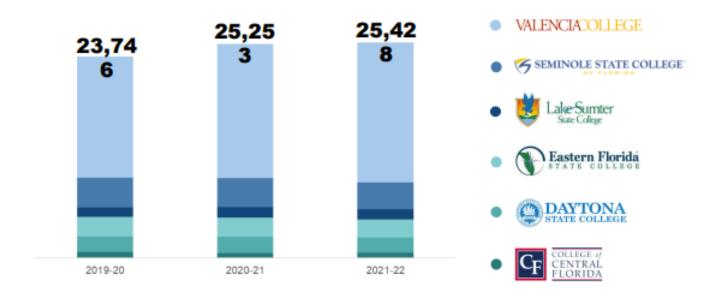
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LOWER LEVEL COURSE ENROLLMENT REPEATS



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LOWER LEVEL COURSES TAKEN BY DIRECTCONNECT STUDENTS

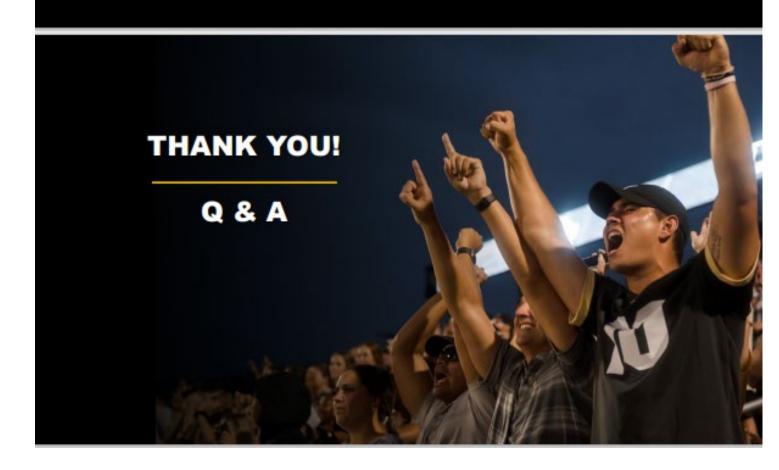


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DATA SUMMARY

- 3-Year Grad Rates by Transfer College GPA
 - 50% of DC cohort below 3.0 GPA have much lower grad rates
- DC Years to degree by year enrolled at time of last major change (2.61) is better than all FCS transfers (3.04)
- · Lower level courses taken at UCF by DC and FCS AA are comparable for both populations
- Lower Level Course Repeats
 - Over 2K distinct repeat courses by DC who repeat at least one lower level course
- · Lower Level Courses taken by DC students continues to increase

Actionable Data to Advance Transfer Student Success



Announcements



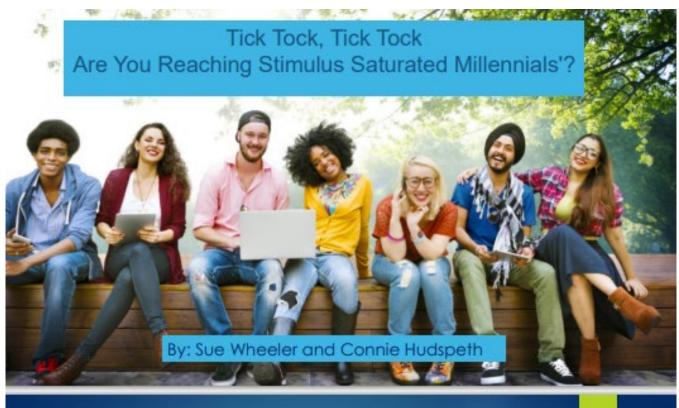
- REU-ACM at UCF Summer 2023 (in person) May 22 through July 28, 2023
 - https://sciences.ucf.edu/math/reu-in-applied-computational-mathematics/
 - Contact Katiuscia Texeira Katiuscia. Texeira@ucf.edu.
 - Applications are due April 21, 2023.



- Fall CA Meetings posted in the CA Website.
- Electronic certificates of participation will be mailed this summer.
- Conference Feedback



Tick Tock, Tick Tock, Are You Reaching the Stimulus Saturated Millennials?

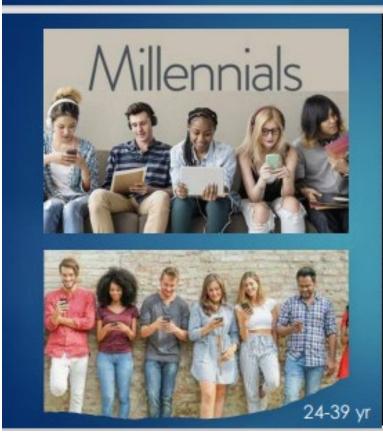




Engage them in the learning process



Understand Their Needs Ideas to Engage Digitally and Hands-on





























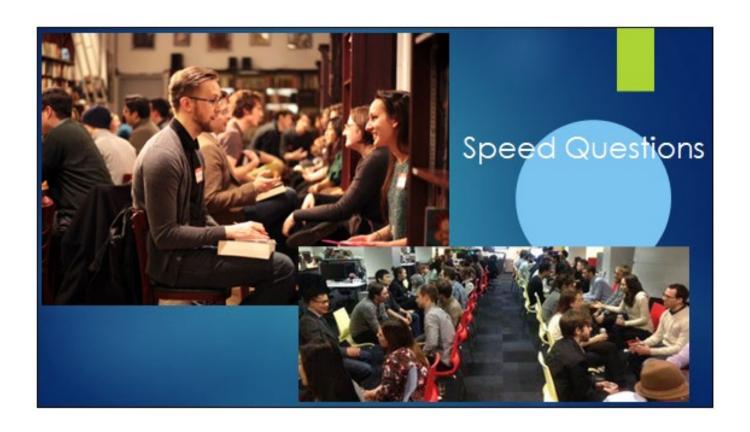


















Enhancing Student Success in Engineering Curriculum through Active e-Learning and High Impact Teaching Practices (ESSEnCe)

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NSF Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI Program)

- Supports projects that improve undergraduate STEM education and increase the rates of recruitment, retention and graduation of undergraduate STEM students at Hispanic-serving institutions.
- Three tracks Track 1: Planning or Pilot Projects (PPP), Track
 2: Implementation and Evaluation Projects (IEP), and Track 3: Institutional Transformation Projects (ITP)
- Track 2: The Implementation and Evaluation Projects
 (IEP) track supports the implementation of evidence-based unit , department-, or multi-department-level activities that will
 enhance the quality of undergraduate STEM education.



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Scope of ESSEnCe program

- This program aims at increasing Hispanic/Latino transfer student success through the implementation and evaluation of innovative teaching/learning practices.
- There is an almost equal distribution of students arriving at the University of Central Florida as first time in college versus transferring from another college.
- However, the retention rates between these groups show a very significant achievement gap. 14-15% (with AA degree) or 20-28% (without AA) of transfer students vs. 73% of FTIC retention in their 3rd year.
- Our program will focus on improving transfer students' initial experiences in engineering foundation courses in two large enrollment engineering majors – Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace Engineering.
- 3 yr, \$500k support from NSF

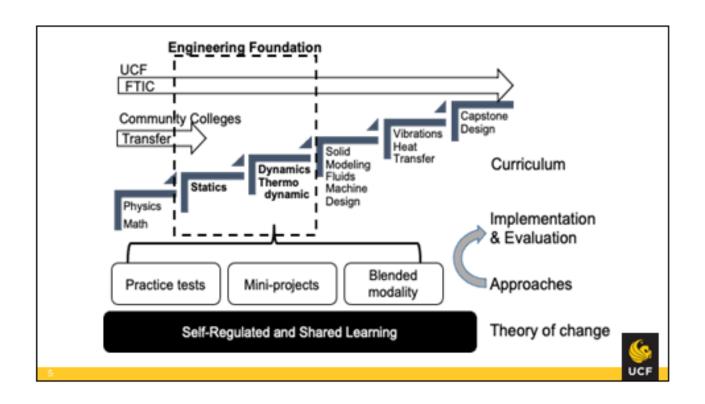


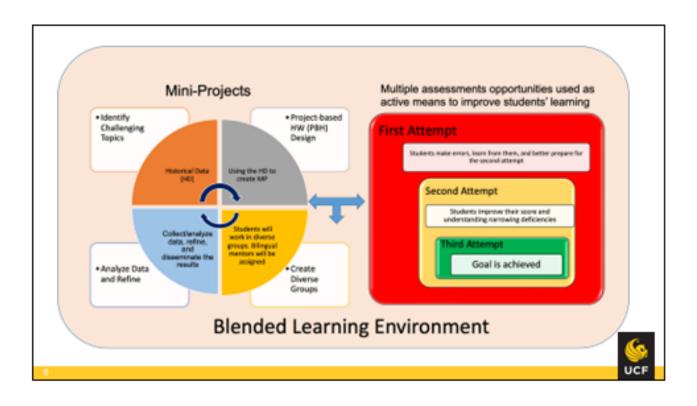
How.?

- Embed self-regulated and shared learning in foundation courses by incorporating multiple attempt practice tests and mini-projects at the early stage of engineering curricula.
- Construct a blended learning environment in order to facilitate student progress by providing flexibility.
- Guide students to tackle real-world engineering problems and tasks.
- Utilize group participation and social interactions as an asset for their shared learning through team-based project activities.



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Team

Participant	Role	Project Component
H. J. Cho	PI	Coordinate and supervise overall tasks of the ESSEnCe program
M. Taub	Co-PI	Coordinate the STEM Education Research Plan
M. Nader	Co-PI	Implement changes in Dynamics
R. Zaurin	Co-PI	Implement changes in Statics
S. Pal	Co-PI	Implement changes in Dynamics
H. Oonge	SP	Coordinate Curriculum Alignment
C. Muñiz	SP	Coordinate HIS/DEI elements, inclusive of faculty workshop series
Z. Chen	SP	Implement changes in Physics I course
M. Dagley	SP	Develop evaluation matrix and coordinate peer learning
S. Putnam	SP	Implement changes in Thermodynamics.



Timeline

Course	Activity				Yea	ran	d S	eme	ster		
		1	2023 2024 2		20	025					
		1	8	8	F	8	8	F	F 8 8		F
			p	u		Р		2	P	u	2
Statics	Develop and implement Multiple Attempt Practice Tests										
	Develop and Implement Mini-Projects				П		П				
	Develop Blended Learning Modules				П		П				
	Evaluation (Course Level)			Г			П				
Dyn amics	Develop and Implement Multiple Attempt Practice Tests			П							
	Develop and Implement Mini-Projects										
	Develop Blended Learning Modules				П		П				
	Evaluation (Course Level)			Т	П	П	Т	П	\neg		
Thermodynamics	Develop and Implement Multiple Attempt Practice Tests						Т		\neg		
	Develop and Implement Mini-Projects								\neg		
	Develop Blended Learning Modules				П						
	Evaluation (Course Level)			Г	П		П				
Course Committee	Meetings								_		
Alignment Meetings	and Workshops			Г			Г				
Evaluation and Rep	oort (Program Level)			г		$\overline{}$	-		\neg	\neg	



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2023 Curriculum.Alignment Conference

Daytona State College

The Advantages and Benefits of Multiple – Attempt Testing in Engineering Courses (Work In-Progress)

Presenter: Marino Nader
April 7th, 2023

ESSEn Ce Project Partners PI - Hyoung Jin, Co-Pis: M. Taub, M. Nader, R. Zaurin, S. Pal SP:H. Oonge, C. Muñiz, Z. Chen, M. Dagley, S. Putnam

Work presented here by: M. Nader, R. DeMara, H. Oonge and Adrian Tatullian

Introduction

- · Why Three Attempts?
 - · Positive effect on different students, including Transfer Students
 - · Decreases anxiety, in general
 - · Increases confidence and comfort
 - · Prepares students better
 - · Lays the stronger foundation for upper classes
 - Students work for their grades avoid curving
 - · Supported by CANVAS
 - "Elephant in the Room" with Three Attempts:
 - Assessment and TESTING
 - One or Three attempts. Does it Matter? How much?

Course Style – Undergraduate Engineering Dynamics Spring 2021

- · 236 Students Remotely during COVID-19
 - 3 Tests 25% of total grade: 90 min, Lockdown Browser, Respondus Monitor AND Proctor Hub, Only one monitor/Screen
 - · Screen 2~3 feet ahead of student
 - · Large questions banks

What were the results?

Study Results

Percentage		T1			T2			T3	
Success	At. 1	At. 2	At. 3	At. 1	At. 2	At. 3	At. 1	At. 2	At. 3
FTIC	26%	42%	60%	24%	52%	63%	26%	45%	48%
TS	14%	15%	34%	23%	35%	55%	11%	22%	40%

Table 1: Students' success in each attempt for the three tests.

Percentage Success	Best of T1	Best of T2	Best of T3	Average Success
FTIC	55%	57%	42%	51%
TS	42%	70%	42%	51%

Table 2: Overall students' success - the best attempt for each test.

Dancontono	T	1	T	2	T3		
Percentage	TS	FTIC	TS	FTIC	TS	FTIC	
Improvement	191%	110%	208%	138%	268%	61%	

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Participation	T1				T2		T3			
Rate	At 1	At. 2	At 3	At 1	At. 2	At. 3	At 1	At 2	At. 3	
FTIC	100%	88%	67%	100%	87%	64%	100%	77%	40%	
TS	100%	88%	78%	100%	88%	71%	100%	79%	50%	

Statistical Data

Attempt	Attempt Mean	Std. Deviation	Number of Students
1	10.83	5	142
2	13.60	4.78	142
3	15.56	5.32	142

- · Some students are satisfied by one or two attempts per test
- Data analyzed for all who go through all 3 attempts for each test.
- According to Mauchly's Test of Sphericity (same difficulty level), the variances of differences are homogenous W= X²(2) = 1.586, p = 0.452.

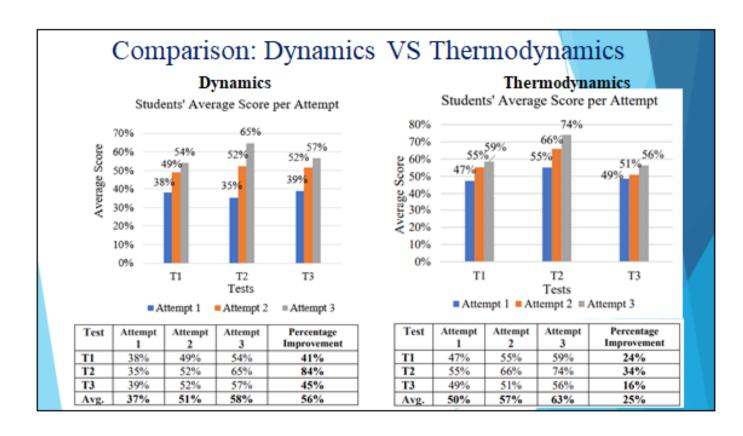
Students' Survey		
Statement	Strongly Agreed	Agreed
Helped me take the test with less stress, knowing I have other chances.	85%	13%
Allowed me to go back to learn the material better before my next attempt, given a week-time for 3 attempts.	all 82%	15%
It gave me the opportunity to know where I stand, before my next attempt.	80%	15%
It gave me the chance to recognize how much more I should learn before my next attempt.	80%	16%
It gave me the opportunity to focus on my weakness in order to do better.	78%	15%
In a way, I prefer the 3-test attempts for I rather repeat the test than the course.	91%	8%
It gave me the chance to repeat the test instead of repeating the entire course	85%	12%
The fact that I could go back and ask about a problem I saw in the test to learn it before my next attempt advanced my knowledge of the subject, despite the fact that it would or would not show up my next attempt.	78% in	18%
It assisted me to grow in knowledge.	76%	19%
It allowed me to do better in the course.	78%	16%
It created a learning-based environment.	75%	20%

Students' Survey CONT'D		
Statement	Strongly Agreed	Agreed
I learned a great deal using this method, irrespective of my grade.	73%	21%
In comparison to the one attempt, the 3-test attempts is not a hit or a miss.	61%	24%
In comparison to the one attempt, the 3-test attempts assess the student's knowledge correctly, given the few chances during a week.	69%	25%
It is useless because no matter how much I tried, I still got the same grade.	1%	3%
It is useless because it opened up for cheating without learning.	0%	2%
I prefer the 3-test attempts it to help students learn the material better.	80%	18%
All-in-all the 3-test attempts is a more fun learning style.	68%	22%
All-in-all the 3-test attempts is a more enjoyable learning style.	74%	21%
All-in-all the 3-test attempts is my worst experience, since I did not learn much more.	0.5%	1%
All-in-all the 3-test attempts is my worst experience, since I did not improve my grade much.	0.5%	3%
In the future, I hope to see more courses offered with 3-test attempts during a full week	81%	12%

Dynamics Vs Thermodynamics – EPC summer 2022

- 155 Students (Dynamics) and 282 Students (Thermodynamics)
- · 3 tests make up 25% each of total grade
- · 75 min limit in the EPC, Respondus Lockdown Browser
- 1 2 days dedicated to each attempt:
 - · Monday/Tuesday -> First attempt
 - · Wednesday/Thursday -> Second attempt
 - · Friday -> Third attempt

What were the results?



Students' Survey

			Dyna	mics		Thermodynamics			
	Survey Item	Mestry	Illinoit	Δm	p	Illiantry	Mexit	Δm	p
1.		5.76	5.47	-0.29	.029	5.79	5.55	-0.24	.0006
1	how much more I should learn before my next attempt.								
2.		5.78	5.42	-0.36	.007	5.73	5.54	-0.19	.0116
3.	Having just a second attempt could be sufficient whereas little was learned via Attempt 3.	4.30	3.77	-0.53	.004	4.23	3.69	-0.54	.0001
4.	In comparison to being allowed only a single attempt, provision of 3-test attempts assesses the student's knowledge more accurately.	5.49	5.00	-0.49	.007	5.57	5.27	-0.30	.0015
5.	All-in-all the 3-test attempts is a more fun learning style	5.45	5.02	-0.43	.015	5.56	5.24	-0.32	.0006
6.	In the future, I hope to see more courses offered with 3-test attempts during a full week.	5.68	5.38	-0.30	.044	5.66	5.52	-0.14	.0461
7.	Being allowed 3 test attempts reduced my stress levels.	5.74	5.27	-0.47	.011	5.66	5.37	-0.29	.0034
8.	It gave me the opportunity to focus on my weakness in order to do better.	5.81	5.51	-0.30	.016	5.67	5.37	-0.30	.0019

- 2 = Strongly disagree, 6 = Strongly agree
- · Positive and consistent results across both courses

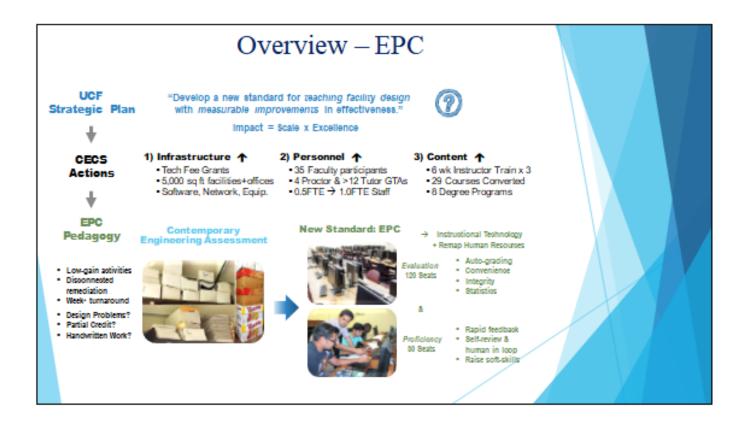
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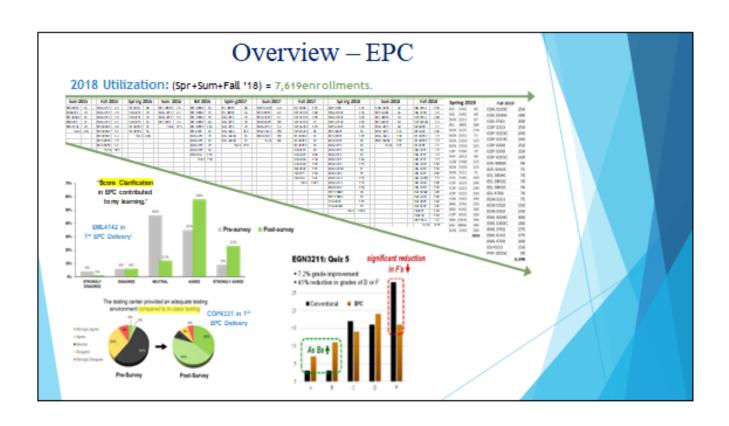
- · Effective learning methodology supported by Repetition
- Large improvement in test scores Triple for TS and double for FTIC
- Significant overall score improvement in two different Eng. Courses
- · Success rate of TS matches FTIC
- · Overall much lower test anxiety or stress
- · Better learning ambiance
- · Enhances students' learning and knowledge
- · Validation of the above requires more time and effort

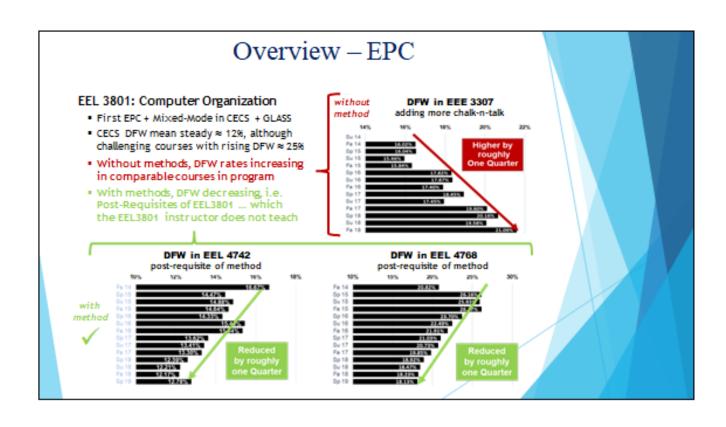
Thank you – Questions

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2023 Curriculum Alignment Conference

Creation of Website for Accounting Discipline
Transfer Student Resource and Success

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What Issues were we trying to Solve

- Tool available to assist with <u>identifying</u> and <u>communicate</u> with preaccounting transfer students.
- 2.) Provide <u>information</u> about what to complete for AA at State College while providing information that may be different than advising.
- 3.) Provide Accounting Profession information to State College students
- 4.) Provide information about steps to complete BSBA at UCF.



Ways the State Colleges <u>Identify</u> and <u>Communicate</u> with students interested in Pre-Accounting

There is no systematic method available for the State College's to allow program managers/directors/chairs to identify their pre-accounting students.

Consequently, it can be difficult to identify and communicate with to preaccounting students at the State College level.

How do State Colleges identify and communicate with pre-accounting students:

- Academic advisers
- · Discussions in class and after class with students
- Students attending joint State College and UCF student organization event each semester.
- Facebook page



Provide <u>information</u> about what to complete for AA at State College

 What courses should be taken State College while earning the AA Degree

We have always promoted students to complete their Business Common Program Prerequisites with a grade of C or better before transferring to UCF.

Students should sign up for the Direct Connect to UCF program
It is beneficial for students to enroll as early as possible at your state college.



Provide Accounting Profession information to State College students

- Licensing Opportunities
 - · CPA license information and requirements
 - · Impacts the amount and type of coursework needed
 - CMA Certified Management Accountant
 - · IIA Internal Auditing
- · Opportunities in the Profession
 - Public Accounting
 - · Managerial Accouting
 - · Governmental Accounting
 - · Non-Profit Accounting



Provide information about steps for completing BSBA at UCF.

- 1. Join an Accounting Student Organization
- Completing the five (5) core business classes to get accepted into your major (accounting).
- 3. Accounting major courses, sequencing, and prerequisites



How was the idea of the idea for the website born?

Initial Curriculum Alignment – our CA accounting group formed in Fall 2018 and completed our curriculum alignment for our two foundational accounting courses in Fall 2018 and Spring 2019.

Continued meetings - We have continued to meet once or twice a year as a group to help each other with best practices and student success.

The idea for this website was born in one of these continued meetings.



How was the Website Produced?

Design

- Spring 2021 In our continued Curriculum Alignment meetings, input from faculty at the State Colleges and UCF was gathered to formulate a blueprint for what could/should be contained in the Website.
- In the UCF College of Business, we produced a working draft of the website.
- The draft was reviewed by the faculty at the State Colleges and UCF.
- Final product delivered in Summer 2022.



Balanced approach between providing information for success at both the State College and University

From the university perspective, we tend to focus on the issues important to us and we do not focus on what the need of the transfer institution or the transfer. We are trying to shape the product (student) we are receiving – not actually, but conceptually.

As a result, we were very intentional in designing website that was designed as a partnership between the State Colleges and UCF to feel like it was designed by and for both institutions.

This was important to gain buy in and use from all faculty and students.



How was the Website Implemented?

Implemented

- Faculty The URL was emailed to the faulty in our CA group with the request of adding it to their syllabi.
- Advisors The URL was emailed to the State College advisors we knew from our CA group. The URL was also provided to UCF advisors for distribution to transfer students.



Contents of the Course

The content of the website is divided into three areas:

- 1.) While you are completing your AA at State College
- · Courses, Sequencing, Pre-requisites
- · Earning Your AA Degree at State College
- · Signing up for Direct Connect at UCF
- 2.) When you transfer to UCF
- · Join a Registered Student Organization (RSO)
- · Complete the Core business classes
- 3.) Other areas of interest for Pre-accounting students
- CPA license
- Profession
- · Pre-accounting Webcourses (Canvas)



Review of the Website itself

https://business.ucf.edu/transfer-student-resourcesaccounting/#accounting-profession



How is it being used?

Feedback from State College Faculty:

- The only feedback I've received is positive. They like having the resources in one place. Easy and simple to read.
- I have shared the link to the site a few times with other professors, but I would say I probably can do
 more to promote it in the future. As a result, I am not sure how much visibility the site receives
 overall from students. I personally still think it is very valuable and hope that it will be shared as
 much as possible by professors here as we move forward.
 - Any time a student comes to me expressing interest in pursuing the accounting major, I show them the page. The page is a perfect first step for me to show any student who lets me know that they are interested. The feedback I receive from students is positive—they seem to really like the top chart with the course requirements (the one with "While working on your AA" and "When you direct connect to UCF" at the top). They also like looking at the chart of courses they will need to take for the accounting degree. I suggest to them that they watch the videos, but I am not sure if they do and have not heard any feedback on the videos. Hope that helps a bit.
- I've got to be honest. I keep forgetting about this page! I just had a student come up to me the
 other day and I just sent them to the UCF direct connect office. But, I think the page may have been
 a better resource overall.



Challenges

UCF has systematic approach to curriculum alignment, but there is no systematic approach to communication between UCF and CA regarding faculty and/or advisors.

How often should I be sharing this URL with State College faculty and advisors each year?

How to measure the success and usefulness of the initiative?



Did we solve the issues we initially identified

- Tool available to assist with <u>identifying</u> and <u>communicate</u> with preaccounting transfer students.
- 2.) Provide <u>information</u> about what to complete for AA at State College while providing information that may be different than advising.
- 3.) Provide Accounting Profession information to State College students
- Provide <u>information</u> about how to successfully complete BSBA at UCF.



Additional Items to Add to Website

- Create an add a QR Code for our Student Accounting Society (SAS) where students can provide their information to be contacted by SAS about the upcoming orientation for new students
- Create better designations for the three areas defined previously





Measures of Success – need more

- Measure the number of transfer students coming in with all their pre-core business classes completed at their State College.
- Measure the number of Direct Connect students joining UCF Student Accounting Society/BAP.

Other tasks associated with the Website

- Meet with UCF advising office to see if there are additional ways to utilize this website for our new transfer students.
- Further investigate how to systematically provide it to more State College advisors
- I am still interested in created some sort of transfer student club/cohort.



Questions and Suggestions

Course Design to Maximize Learning

Course Design to Maximize Learning

Mr. Adam LaMee, UCF Physics

adamlamee.com

One option for a course design process

- Draft learning goals → cluster goals into units
- Choose a learning cycle model → choose student tasks
- Develop end-of-unit assessments
- Check everything against RTOP & UDL

Learning Goals

What are the BIG things a student should be able to do by the end of the unit? Try writing 3-6 goals for a single unit of your course.

Instead of "understand," use an observable verb, like "describe", "sketch," or "solve."

See Iowa State's handy page on writing learning goals.

Learning Cycle

A learning cycle describes a sequence a learner follows from novice to expert in a topic. Here's a common framework that's not backed by much learning research:

- Read the textbook
- Listen to lecture
- Do homework
- Take an exam

5E Learning Cycle

There are lots of learning cycle models. I use the BSCS 5E model from BSCS.org.

- Engage: Why is this worth learning?
- Explore: What are the relevant patterns or connections?
- Explain: How do I communicate what I've observed?
- Elaborate: How can I apply this to a complex scenario?
- Evaluate: Am I ready for the exam?

5E Learning Cycle is student-centered

- Engage: Why is this worth learning?
- Explore: What are the relevant patterns or connections?
- Explain: How do I communicate what I've observed?

Instructor gives formal description, "here's what you might have noticed by now ..."

- Elaborate: How can I apply this to a complex scenario?
- Evaluate: Am I ready for the exam?

Instructor gives formal recap, "here's what you should've gotten from the unit ..."

Unit Assessments

Instead of "here's another question I thought of for the exam,"

Write questions or tasks use your learning goals and learning cycle tasks.

Baylor's Academy for Teaching & Learning has a nice guide for developing assessments.

Reformed Teaching Observation Protocol

Use as a list of 25 things we should strive to do more of.

How well does this describe your course?

Great for educators to collaboratively examine teaching practices.

RTOP site at Buffalo State

Universal Design for Learning

UDL can "improve and optimize teaching and learning for all people based on scientific insights into how humans learn."

Use this to reflect on how to better include students in the course.

Read more at CAST.org or view the big UDL chart.

Further reading

Wiggins, G. & McTighe, J. (2005). *Understanding by design* (2nd edition). ASCD.

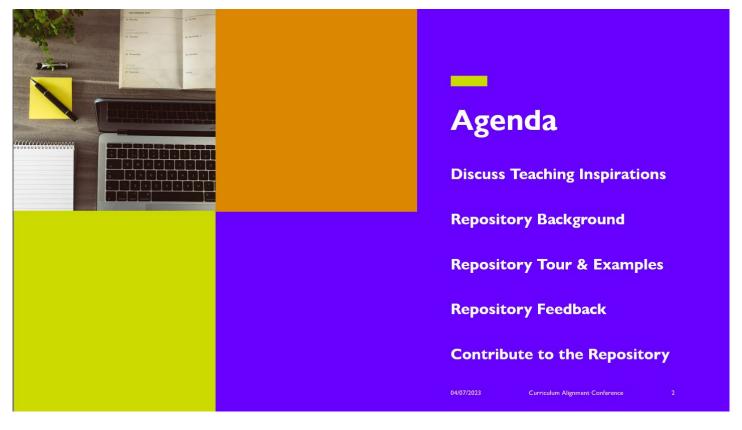
and this nice summary from Vanderbilt's Center for Teaching

The full report on BSCS 5E Instructional Model

The research behind Universal Design for Learning

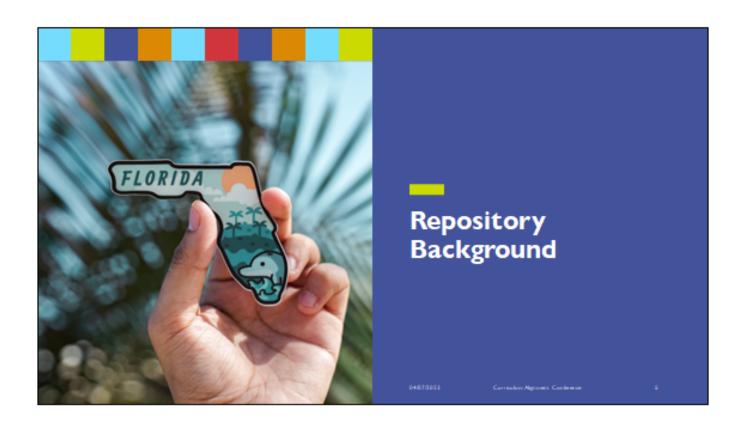
Reddish's paper on applying constructivism to physics teaching

















A pathway is more than a route to an outcome or a recommended sequence of courses. Do students have expectations about what they will learn within a pathway? By aligning assessments to learning outcomes within pathways we can become more transparent about what students learn along each pathway. In this session a panel will guide participants in discussion of pathway assessments embedded at the course level and how the results lead to strategies for improving learning.

UCF Curriculum Alignment Conference Track 3: Using Data for Student Success Daytona State, Room # April 7th, 2023 11:30am-12:15pm

VALENCIA: OLLEGE

Course-Level Assessment for Degree Pathways

Today we will...

Discuss methods for assessing pathway outcomes

Develop example strategies for improving learning within pathways

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Today's Panelists

Nichole Jackson, Director of Learning Assessment

A.A. Degree Pathways Workteam Co-Chair Assessment Coordinating Committee (ACC) Co-Chair

Lynta Thomas, Professor of Chemistry

Faculty Fellow for Data and Assessment

Lynn Sims, Professor of Biology

Faculty Lead for AA Degree Pathways STEM Assessment Leadership Team (ALT)

Kristin Abel, Professor of Live Entertainment Design and Production

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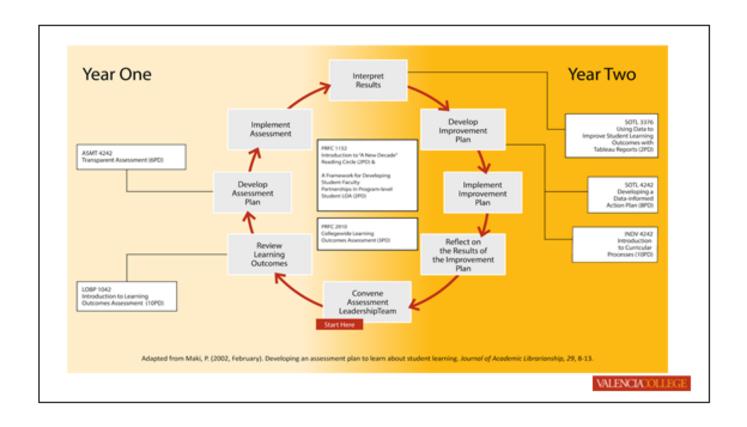
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What have we learned about assessing at the course-level?

Faculty Fellows for Data and Assessment Kristin & Lynta

Discuss methods for assessing pathway outcomes

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What are we doing to assess the existing AA degree pathways?

A Degree Pathways STEM Axessment Leadership Team members Lynn & Nichole

Discuss methods for assessing pathway outcomes

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Pathway	BSC 1010C General Biology I	BSC 1011C General Biology II	BOT 2010C Botany	Human Anatomy &	Human Anatomy &	1045C	CHM 1046C General Chemistry with	CHM 2210C Organic Chemistry I	CHM 2211C Oraganic Chemistry II	PHY 1020 Conceptual Physics	Physics with	PHY 20490 General Physics with Calculus II
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What are the challenges when assessing degree pathways?

College Carriculum Committee Faculty co-clair Ravi Rajaravivarua

Develop example strategies for improving learning within pathways

Continue the conversation!

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What does this look like at your institution?

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Vision

We leverage the unique assets of Miami, Orlando, and Tampa Bay to develop talent which enhances community well-being

Mission

We strengthen Florida's talent pipeline through the sharing of ideas and scalable solutions which accelerate learner achievement and access to economic opportunity



Where the Action Is



The Florida Consortium Photographic Start



Great Cities Need Great Universities and Colleges

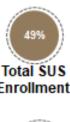








The Impact













SUS Minority Enrollment

Transfers

Degrees Earned By Minorities







Source: 2021 SUS Accountability Report, 19-20 FETPIP Data, PayScale Report

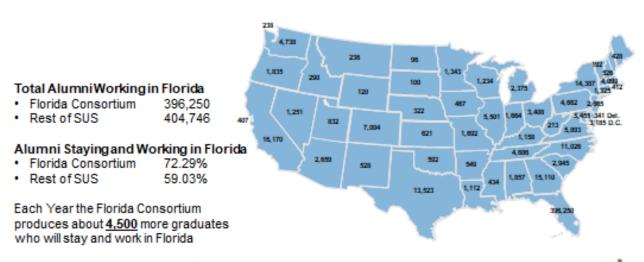








Florida Consortium Alumni (Lightcast Data)





Our Economic Impact

Florida Consortium members contribute

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annually to Florida's economy

12 550,000+

Alumni work and live in Florida

That's 18%

of all Florida workers with a bachelor's degree or higher

Collectively we employ Full and

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49,800 Employees \$52,00

According to Lightcast Data, every employee in higher education supports 2-3 non-university jobs with an

annual economic impact of \$115,000 peryear.

In FY 21 Florida Consortium Members engaged in \$870 Million In Funded Research

And were awarded 240 Utility

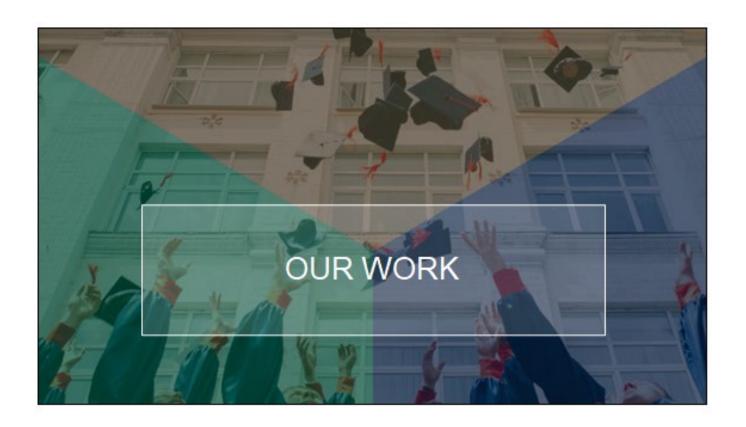
This research has an over 300% Return on Investment

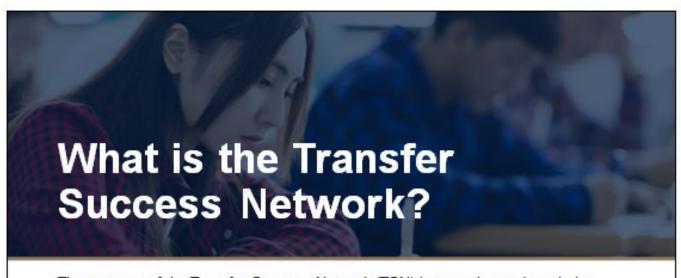
A Florida Consortium University is the top talent source for . .

36 TOP 50 Largest Employers in the State
That's 27% of ALL Florida 50
Companies Employees

Each year, The Florida Consortium sends over 3,000 more graduates who will live and work in Florida than the rest of the other \$U\$ members COMBINED. That's impact

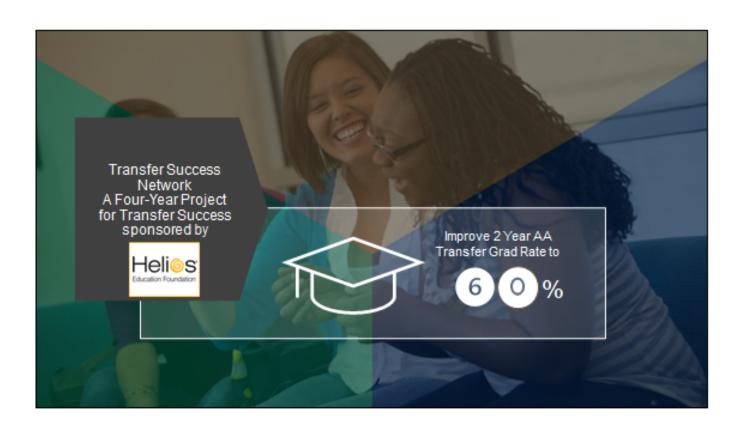






The purpose of the Transfer Success Network (TSN) is to exchange knowledge, share data, and align best practices between partner institutions with the goals of enhancing the major readiness, preparedness, academic success, and on-time degree completion of our transfer students.

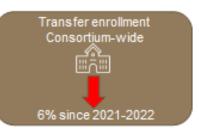






However





25% FCS Transferstudents admitted to an SUS.... DO NOT enroll *Source: Florida BOG



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Consortium Coaching Academy

Dr. Jenny Sumner, Assistant Vice Provost, Academic and Student Digital Initiatives designed, and project leads the Coaching Collaborative.

The goal of the Consortium's Coaching Collaborative is to train 500 participants in the practice of coaching by 2025.

Results from 2022

In 2022, the first year of the Consortium's Coaching Collaborative training program, 105 participants from UCF, FIU, and USF, along with their state college partners, completed the 40-hour coach training course:

Spring 2022

o UCF = 17 completers [UCF, Eastern Florida State College, Daytona State College, Seminale State College, College of Central Florida, Valencia College, Lake Sumter State College]

Summer 2022

o FIU = 23 completers [FIU, Broward College, Miami Dade, Palm Beach State College] o USF = 22 completers [USF, College of Central Florida]

Fall 2022

o FIU = 26 completers [FIU, Broward College, Miami Dade, Palm Beach State College] o USF = 17 completers [USF, College of Central Florida]



Consortium Coaching Academy



- Looking ahead for the UCF Higher Education Coaching Academy:
 - Developing follow-up cohort "reunions" where participants can showcase how they are using their newly acquired skills.
 - Creating mass marketing webinars to promote the Coaching Academy and start building an audience.
 - Write a white paper / journal article on the academy and its effectiveness.

FIU Transfer Success Coach



- Monika Castaneda
 - 1st ever Success Coach
 - Assists students with scholarships
 - · Funds helps with books and fees
 - Tracking students impacted by her work to show value for permanent position
 - Goal to help students get closer to 90 credit hours





Getting to this...





or this...





Can feel like this...







What is Articulation Platform Technology?

APT is not just about adding new technology or process automation. It is a about creating a platform where students can retrieve the most up to date and localized information students need for self-guided decision making.





According to Educause (2021) over 71% of IT and Technology leaders at our nation's colleges and universities are engaging in a digital transformation strategy where information and processes are merged into user technology aimed at the end user. – But what does that mean?



The Promise and Pitfalls of APT

- The Promises
 - Strategic Innovation that transforms student success
 - Institutional Alignment that reduces duplication and increases information volume
 - Data that works for students in a way students can use this data for self-direction.

- The Pitfalls
 - But will they use it? Will students engage with these technologies or ignore them?
 - Will all parties cooperate?
 Asking IT, Transfer, Advising, IKM, and Faculty to align and agree is a big lift.
 - What happens when it breaks? Relying on Tech means you are relying on tech.



The Journey to Articulation Platform Technology



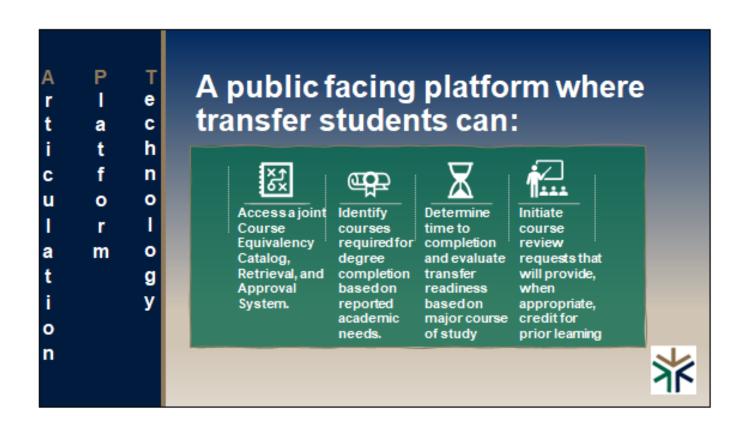


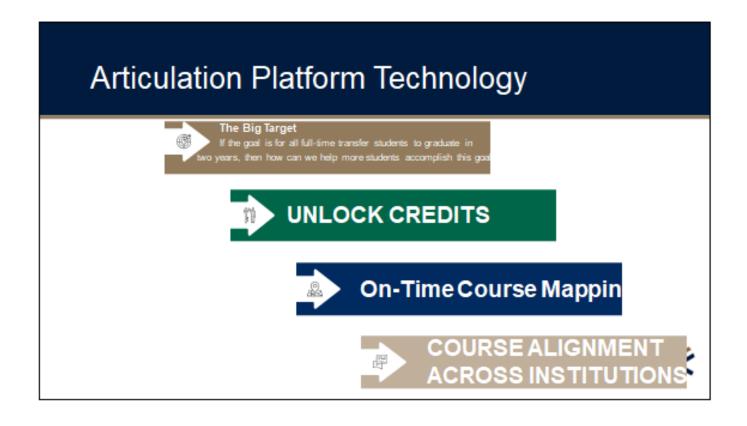
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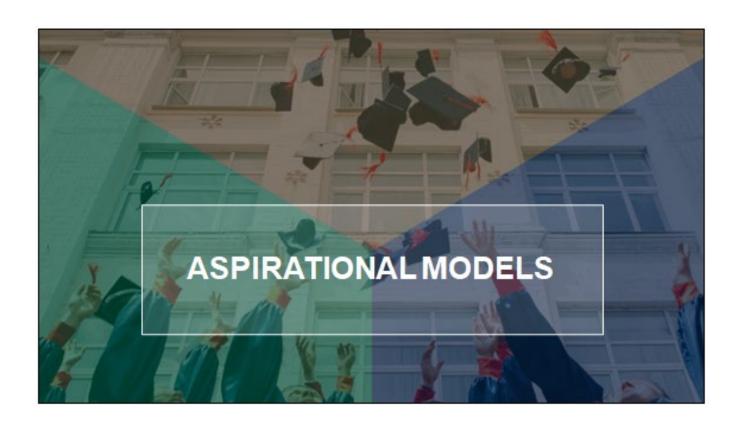
Research provided by the Central Florida Educational Ecosystem Database reports transfer students can be assisted in their path to graduation if we align practices and focus on three data supported solutions:

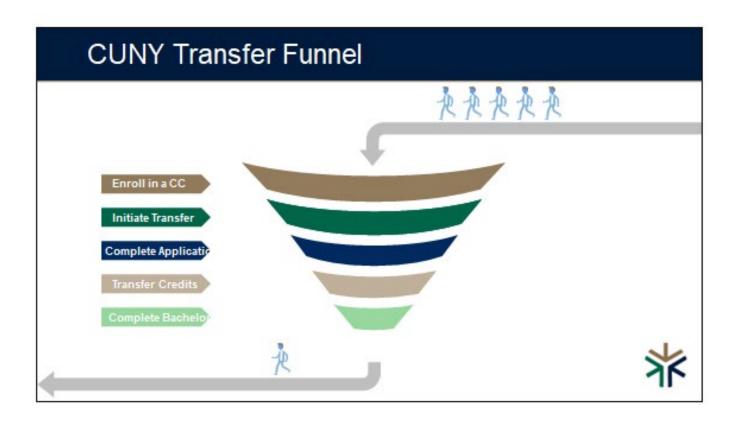
- Reduce transfer shock by creating a transfer coaching academy focused on major readiness for students through aligned training for state college and university professionals.
- Design a universal and public course equivalency and sequencing database designed to help students avoid double courses credits, maximize prior coursework, and allow students to explore their own major readiness.
- Promote retention through targeted student supports identified by the network.

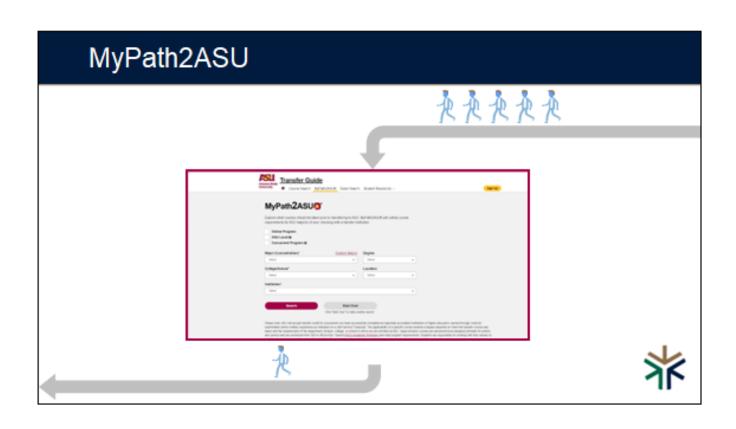


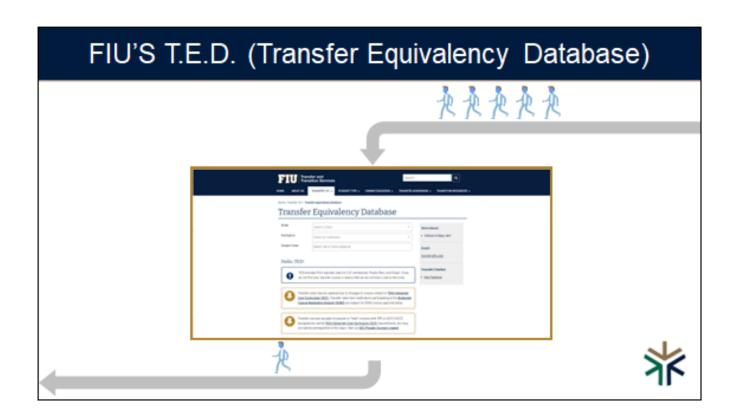


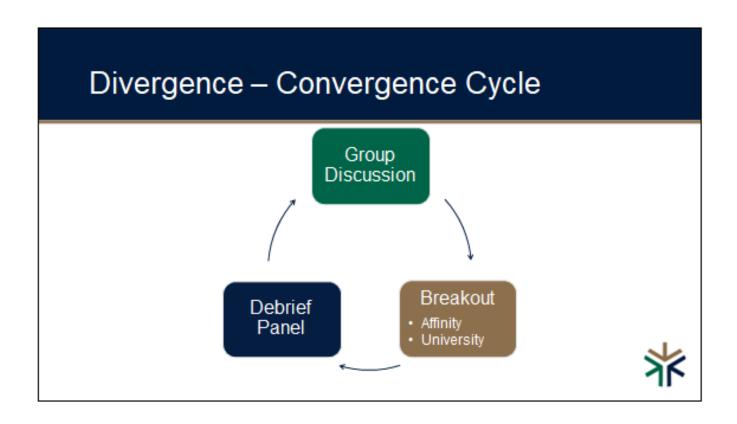














Day 1: Breakouts and Debrief

Course information + Course review & Time-to-completion + Other needs

What elements must a system have? What elements would be nice to have?



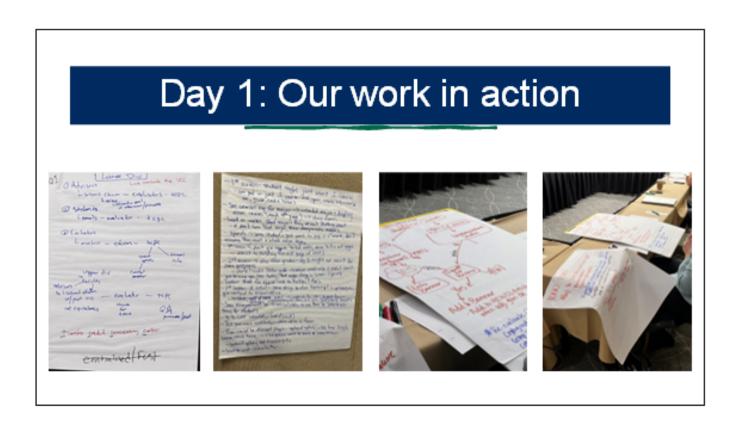
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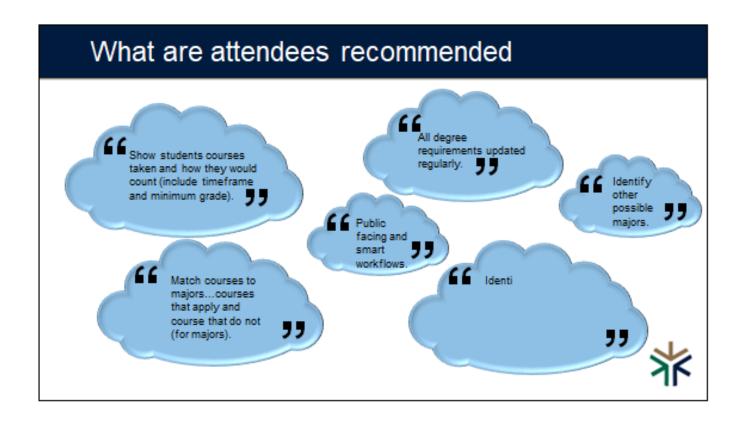
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What is grouped together?

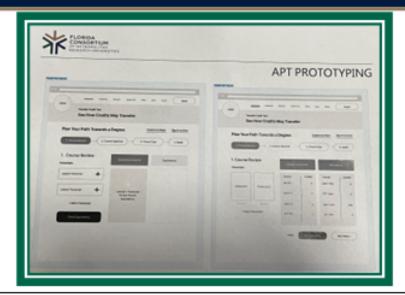








APT Prototyping: First Draft

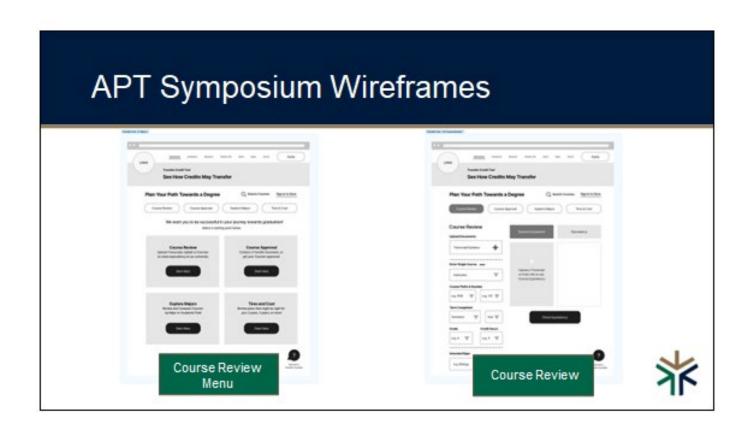




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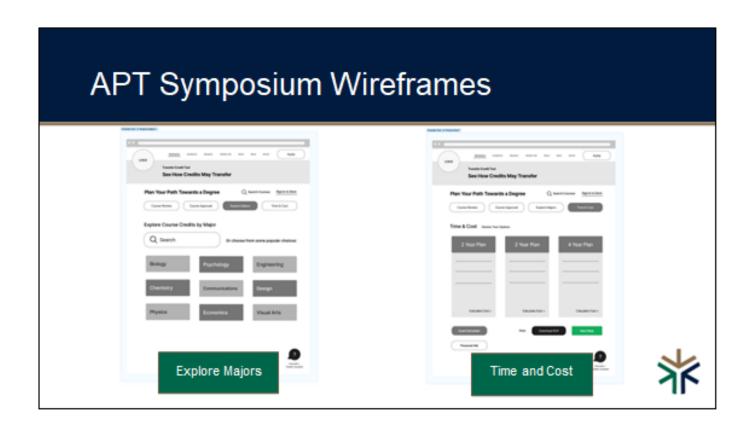






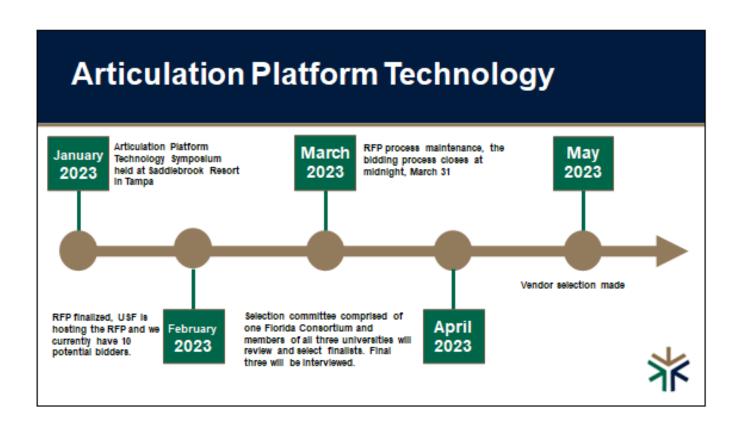
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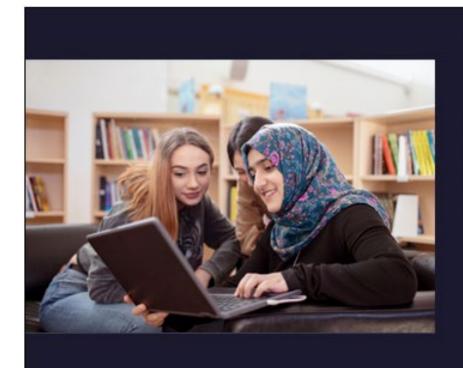
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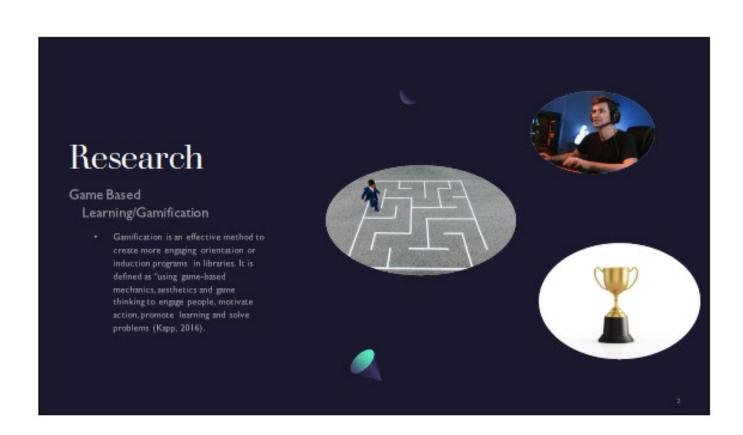


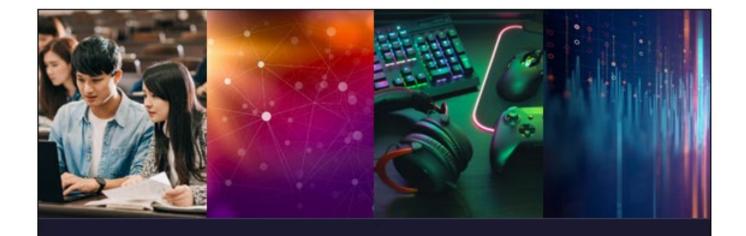


Escaping to Reality: How Engaging Students in an Escape Room can Open their Minds to New Possibilities in Research

Presented by AJ Gonzalez and Sue Wheeler

April 7, 2023





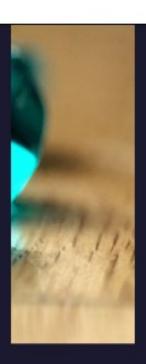
Escape Rooms for Learning

- Digital Natives think and process information differently (Fotaris & Mastoras, 2019)
- Acute need for educational innovations to make impact on students' educational experience (Serdyukov, 2017)
- Students who take part in gamified learning have increased attendance rates, report higher levels of enjoyment and find learning more interesting (Barata, et al., 2013).

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Game Based Learning

(GBL) takes advantage of gaming technologies and techniques to create a fun, motivating, and interactive virtual learning environment that promotes situated experiential learning (Csikszentmihalyi, 1990).



Main Characteristics of Game Rooms

- · Borrowed Elements
 - · Point and click adventure games
 - Live-action role playing
 - Interactive theatre
 - Treasure Hunts
 - "Live action team-based game wherein players discover clues, solve puzzles, and accomplish tasks in one or more rooms to accomplish a specific goal in a limited amount of time" (Nicholson, 2015)



Advantages

Promotes teamwork and collaboration

Produces high level of enjoyment

Engagement

Learning Gain

Increased Motivation

Social Interaction and Motivation

Advantages (Continued) Improved Analytical Skills Critical Thinking Problem Solving Creativity Rooms can be reused several times with different groups Provides supplemental method for reviewing material







UCF's Integrative General Education Program & the Co-Curricular Student Experience

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OUR MISSION -

UCF is a public research university invested in unleashing the potential within every individual, enriching the human experience through inclusion, discovery and innovation, and propelling broad-based prosperity for the many communities we serve.

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General Education Program (GEP)

Refresh, Review, and Reform Fall 2016 to Spring 2021

Faculty-led process with 200+ in cohorts, training, or Winter/Summer Conferences

- Validation of Foundation Areas
 - Communication
 - > Cultural Interaction
 - > Interpretation & Evaluation
 - Knowledge Application
 - > Problem Solving
- Development of Learning Outcomes
 - Primary and Secondary Learning Outcomes for each course
- Creation of Assessment Model and Dashboard
- Professional Development and Training
- Key for Advisors and Students:
 No changes to list of courses, foundation areas, credit hours, or GEP requirements

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Integrative General Education Program Learning Experience

Five program-level learning outcomes will provide students with a cohesive learning experience that will enable them to plan, connect and reflect as they move through their foundational learning experiences.

KNOWLEDGE APPLICATION

Understand scientific methods and connect and apply them to challenges facing society.

COMMUNICATION

Become successful writers, speakers and producers of digital materials in their academic, thric, and professional worlds.

GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

CULTURAL INTERACTIONS

Understand common human themes, have an awareness of diverse outbures, and understand the cultures, instancial, economic, and social implications of what they learn.

INTERPRETATION AND EVALUATION

Assess and decipher information in a world full of conflicting sources.

PROBLEM SOLVING

Be well-informed citizens who can reason and apply analytical, statistical, and computational methods to the challenges of a globally-diverse and technologically-rich environment.



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GEP Implementation Fall 2021& Onward



- Ongoing communication with 400+ GEP Faculty: newsletters, emails, Webcourse
- Implementation (Fall 2022-onward)
 - Updated Assessment Model
 - Data validation for accreditation
 - Continued Professional Development Opportunities
 - Opening of Kuali Curriculum Management for new/revised courses
 - Continued faculty-led process to benefit students, maintain program strengths, and provide continuous improvement











GEP Leadership

- · Vice Provost and Dean, College of Undergraduate Studies
- Interim Associate Dean, College of Undergraduate Studies
- GEP Faculty Fellows(x2)
- Instructional Specialist (To Be Filled, Summer 2023)
- · GEP Foundation Area Co-Leads
 - Communication (x2)
 - CulturalInteraction (x2)
 - Interpretation & Evaluation (x2)
 - Knowledge Application (x2)
 - Problem Solving (x2)





"How we think and what we do is important to how we become citizens of this country and of the world."

- Dr. Theodorea Regina Berry, Vice Provost and Dean, UCF College of Undergraduate Studies, discussing UCF's vision of student achievement by promoting academic success and student well-being.

UCF GEP's integrative approach and reflective practices promote both aspects.

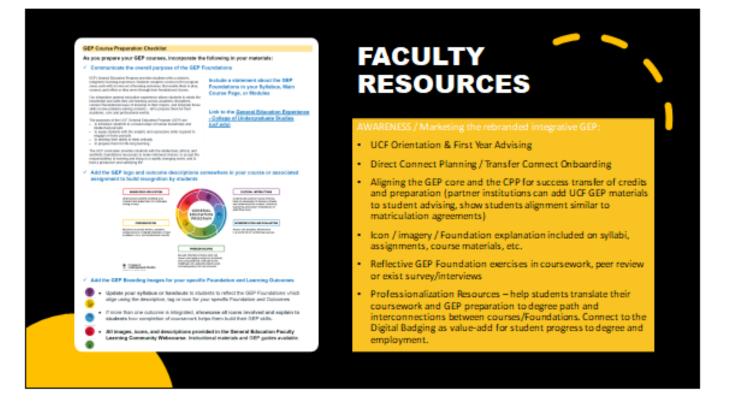
Topic: "Unleashing Potential: Interdisciplinary Approach to Learning"

Academically Speaking podcast

The purposes of the UCF General Education Program (GEP) are to introduce students to a broad range of furnier broadedge and intellectual pursuits, to equip them with the analytic and expressions stills required to engage in those pursuits, to develop their statity to think critically, and to prepare them for tile-long learning.

Integrative GEP for Curriculum Alignment & Student Success

 The GEP curriculum provides students with the intellectual, ethical, and aesthetic foundations necessary to make informed choices; to accept the responsibilities of working and living in a rapidly changing world; and to lead a productive and satisfying life.





Transparency in coursework about the integrative GEP and the value of its Foundations is vital.

Grab-and-Go Marketing for the GEP

- Make visual connections by integrating GEP branding in your course materials.
- > Color Coding Foundations
- GEP Core Foundations color wheel branding
- Link the images to the work students complete, or ask them to show use of icons in reflection.

Embedding Icons & Images



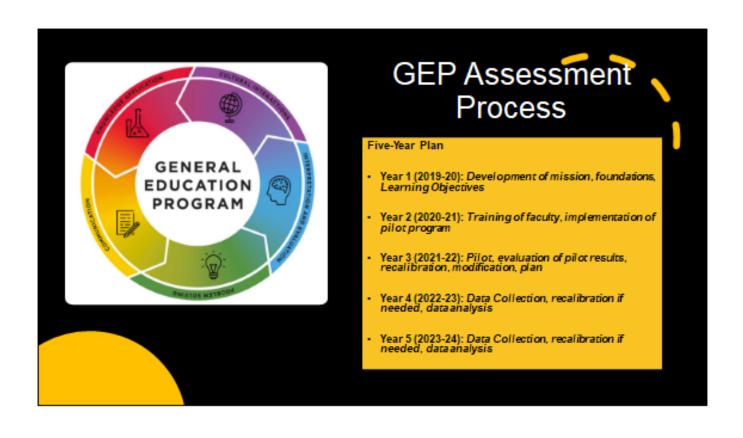
Encouraging Dialogue & Reflection

- Teach the GEP Learning Outcomes and Foundations to help students connect the Learning Outcomes to their degree programs and futures.
- Ask students big questions and encourage reflection, selfevaluation, and learning assessment of LOs across their GEP courses.
- Use gaming to help students practice identifying the course's Learning Outcomes.
- Scenario-based GEP Connections
- Learning Checkpoints in Coursework

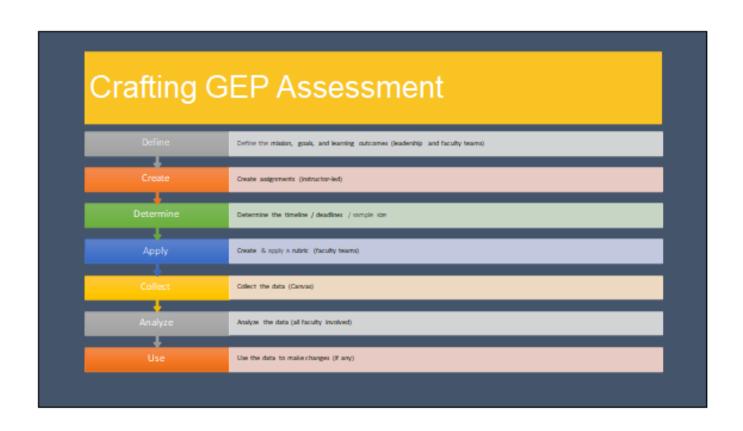
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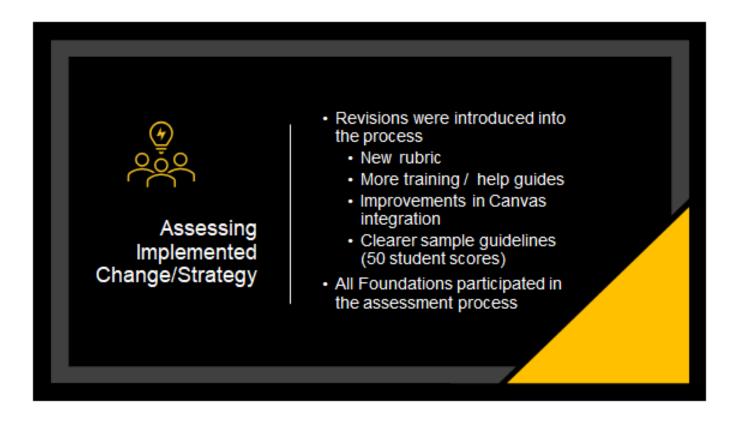








	ONE ONE GEP ASSIGNMENT OUTCOME ASSESSMENT		
GEP	Foundation Learning Outcome	# of courses	
Assessment	COMMUNICATION	5	
Course Data Sampling by Foundations	CULTURAL INTERACTIONS	25	
	INTERPRETATION & EVALUATION	7	
	ENONLEDGE APPLICATION	23	
	PROBLEM SOLVIMS	12	
	Total	72	





 The high percentage of "ME / EE" scores (100% in one course), indicated the need to refine the rubric.

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Exceeds Expectations	Meets Expectations	Does Not Meet Expectations

 The rubric was modified to include 5 categories based on the AAC&U VALUE rubrics:

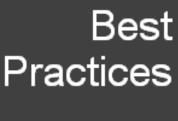
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Exemplary	Outstanding	Competent	Developing	Unsatisfactory / No data



CDL explored ways to
automate the process. The
New Quiz tool will automate
the rubric inclusion and
assignment.

Collaboration with CDL, FCTL,
and the departments/schools
within each Foundation is
crucial







- · Process should be faculty-led
- Mission and LO should be clearly established
- · Start with a small-scale pilot
- Teams of co-leads/taskforce
- · Standardize the rubric
- · Make it easy and useful







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CHEMISTRY ESSENTIAL LABS MANUAL



A lab manual aligned to the chemistry standards provided by the state of Florida.

These labs encourage hands-on learning experiences that support Chemistry instruction.

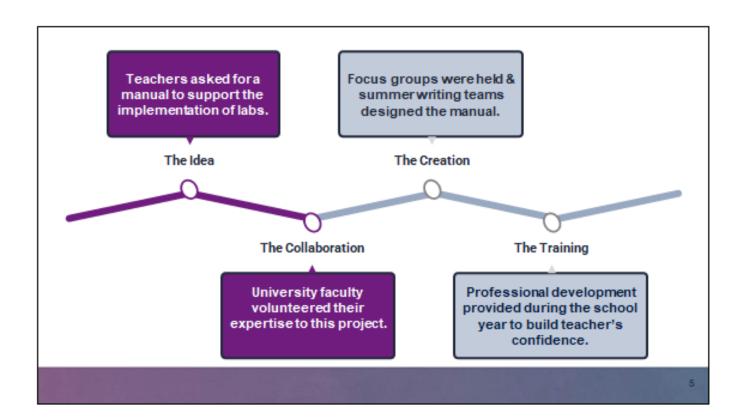
Created in collaboration with educators from Orange County Public Schools, University of Central Florida, Valencia College and Seminole State College.

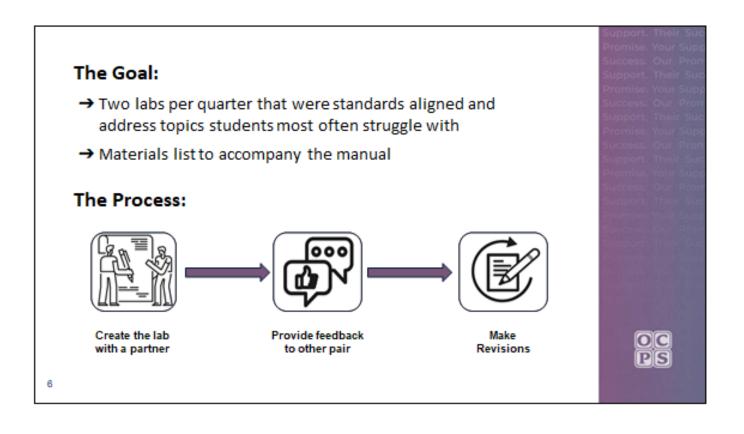
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Learning Objectives:

- Reflect on how OCPS' approach to building a chemistry essentials lab manual could be accomplished in other content areas to support alignment.
- Integrate perspectives from students, high school educators, and University faculty to increase K-12 ro post secondary instructional alignment





- → University faculty from UCF, Valencia and Seminole State joined us to provide feedback as the labs were written.
- → The writers had the opportunity to run through their labs after writing to make final revisions.
- → Each lab includes:
 - Teacher Resource
 - Student Handout
 - Answer key
 - Materialslist
 - Safety Information
 - Instructional Strategies





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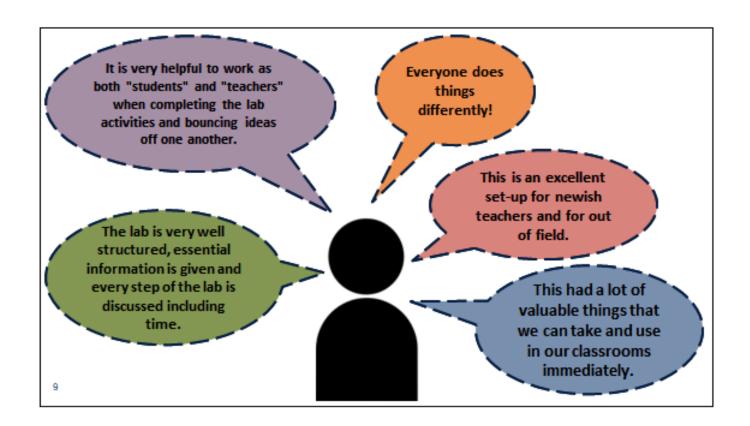


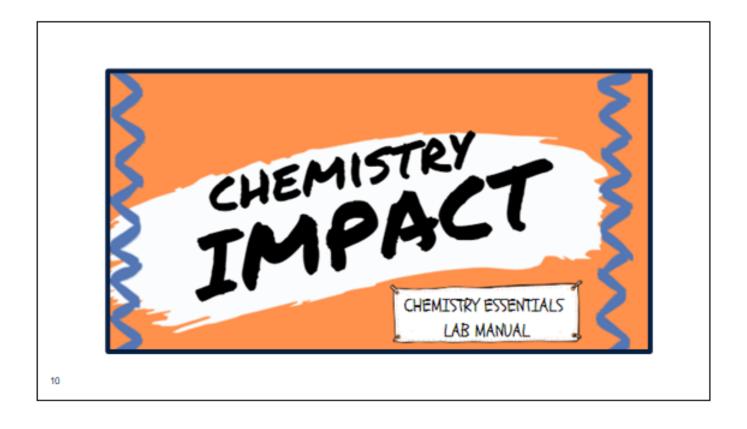
The Support:

A professional development series was offered to OCPS teachers during the school year.

The training consisted of:

- → Lab preview for that quarter using a student lens and teacher lens.
- → Guest speakers from our local university community.
- → Professional readings to support professional growth
- → Structured collaboration with peers





What's Next

- → Share the resource with neighboring districts
- → Collecting data on the impact
- → Continue to gather feedback and act on it



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GREAT MINDS

THINK

Through the lens of your role, what is a typical gap your your students are experiencing in their transition from secondary to post-secondary studies?

WRITE

Record it on your sheet

SHARE

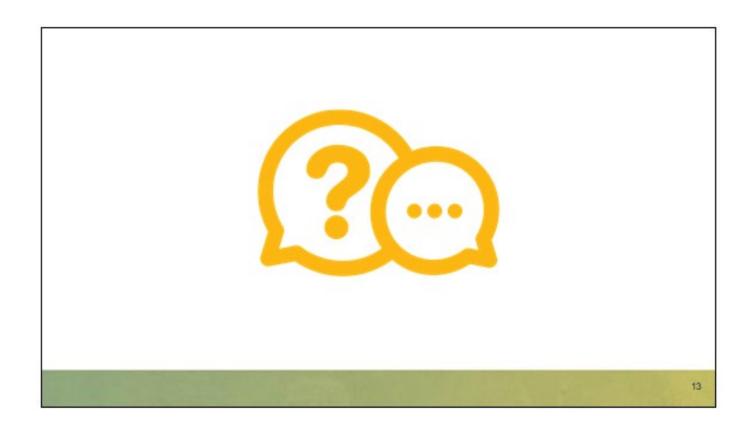
Tell your group about it

ASK

clarifying?'s probing?'s



SHARE YOUR IDEAS!



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COURSE SEQUENCE DATA

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WHEN EXAMINING COURSE SEQUENCE DATA, WE MUST ACKNOWLEDGE DIFFERENT:

- Institutional Missions
- Performance Metrics
- Admissions Protocols
- Use (or not) of Placement Tests
- Campus and Classroom Environments
- Levels of Course Alignment (within and between)

COURSE SEQUENCES

- Analysis of 96 two-course sequences defined as a prerequisite and target
- All "prerequisite" courses are examined via Curriculum Alignment
- Courses completed at/as:
 - UCF
 - Direct Connect Partner
 - Other FCS Transfer
 - Other (e.g., out-of-state, international)
 - AP Credit

PREREQUISITE COURSE

A course completed at any institution.
These are not always the actual
prerequisites, but they are a course
that provides foundational
knowledge.

TARGET COURSE

A UCF course that is dependent on or follows a "prerequisite" course.

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Data are updated annually.

Permission and Additional Information:

- Notify us if you intend to share these data we want to ensure you know how to correctly read and interpret the results
- Notify <u>Chris Childs</u> with UCF's IKM before sharing outside of the DirectConnect to UCF® partner institutions

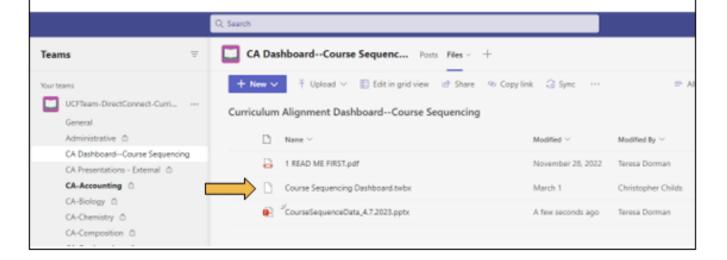
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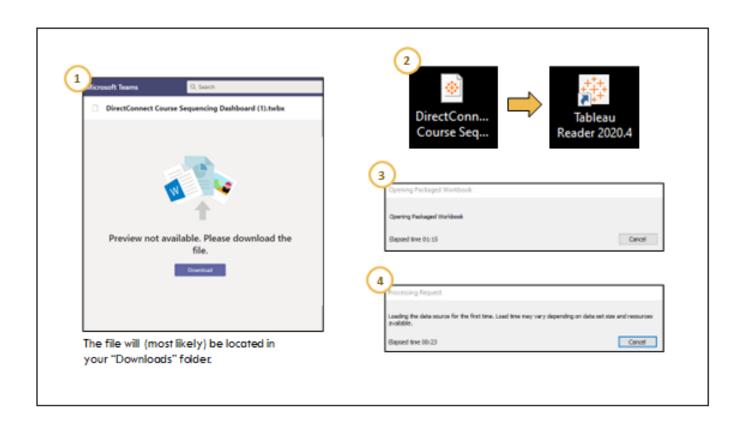
- Many factors may positively or negatively impact student success
- These data are not intended:
 - to imply they predict or determine a student's ability to perform and/or succeed
 - to indicate the quality of instruction at a given institution

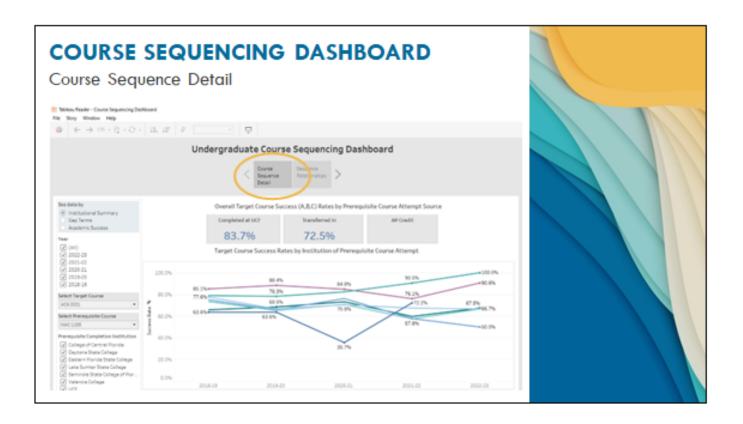
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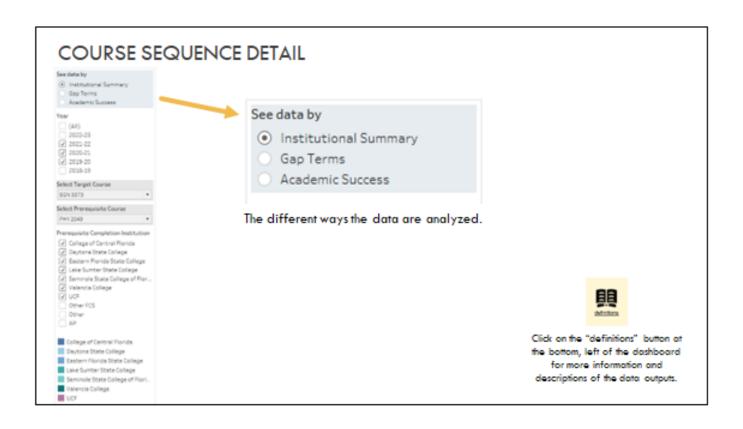
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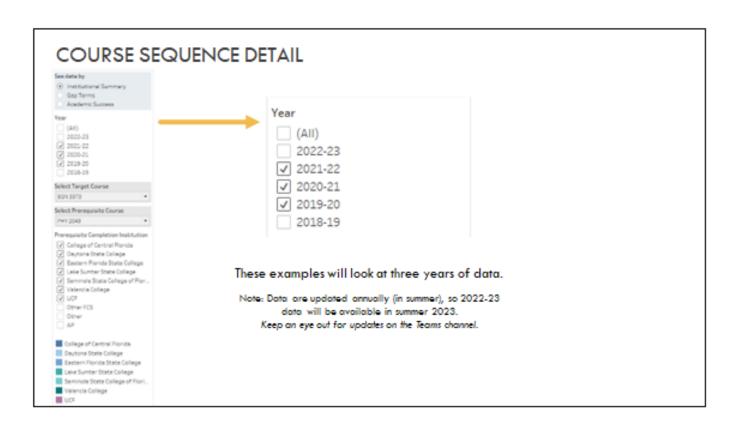
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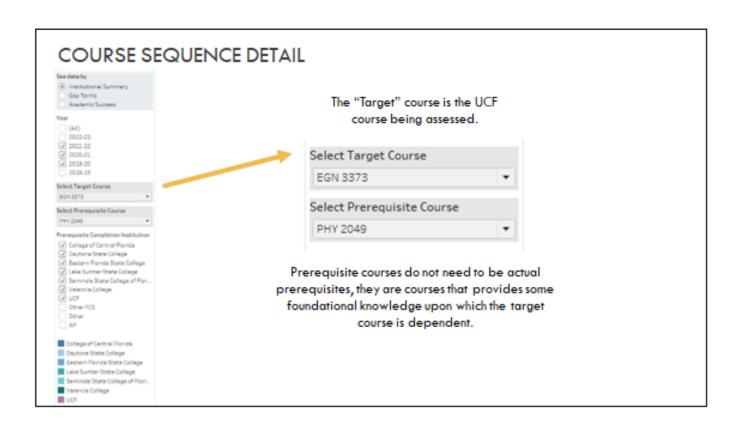


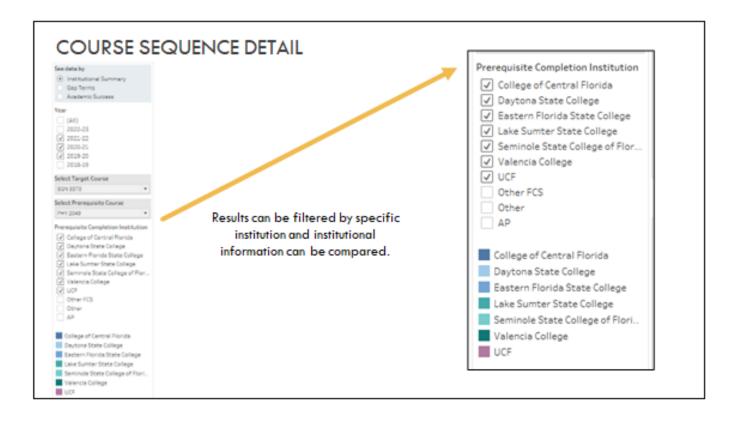












EXAMPLE DATA SETS

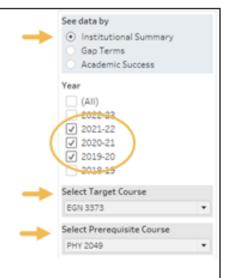
Target	Prerequisite
EGN 3373 Prin of Electrical Engineering	PHY 2049 Physics with Calculus II
ACG 2021	MAC 1105
Prin of Financial Acct	College Algebra
PCB 3063	CHM 2046
Genetics	General Chemistry II

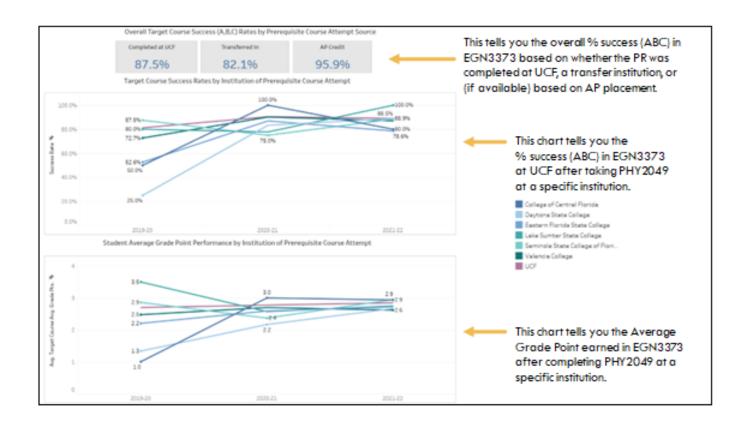
Remember: Target is the course taken at UCF.

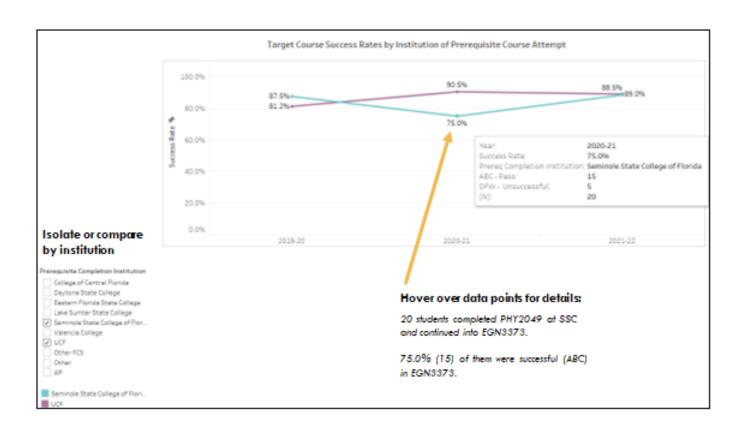
Prerequisite is the course taken at any institution and these are the courses discussed through Curriculum Alignment.

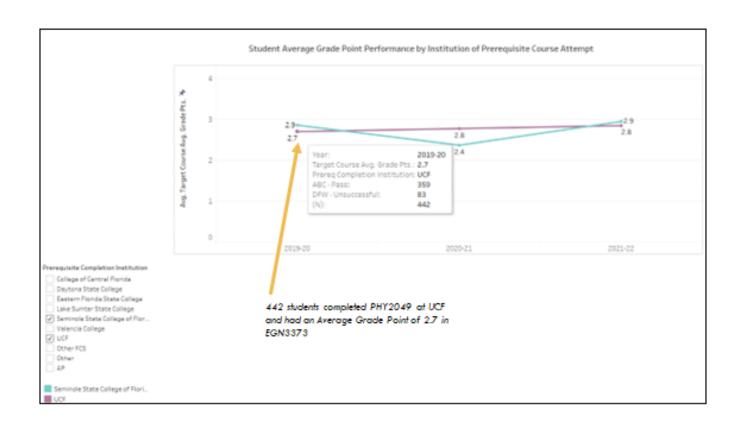
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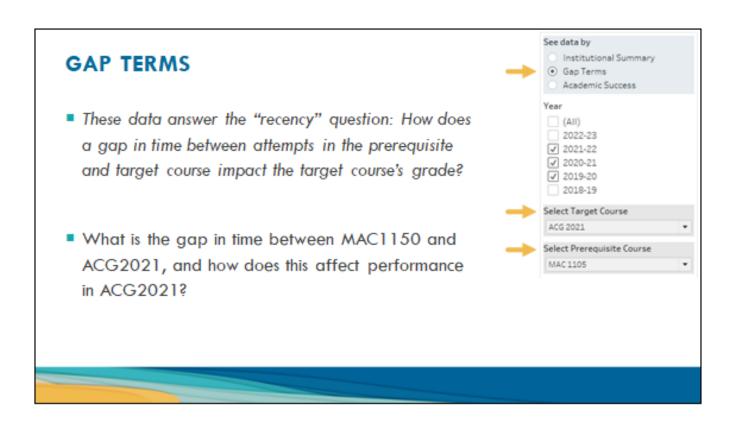
- Of the students who completed PHY2049 (at either a partner college or UCF), how did they do in EGN3373 at UCF?
- How do partner college attempts at PHY2049 compare to the students who attempted it at UCF?

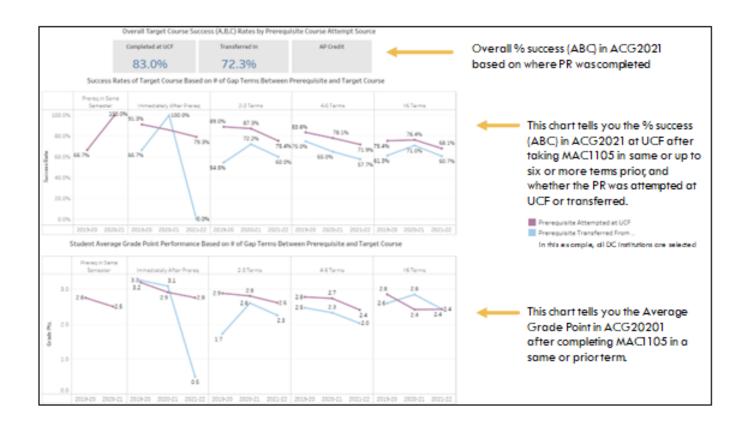


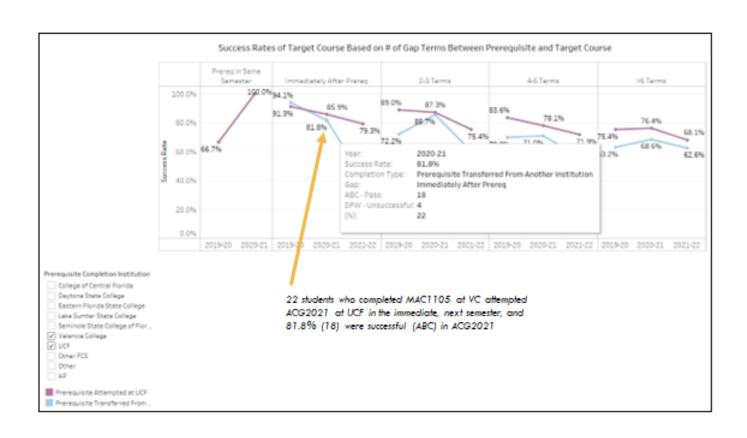


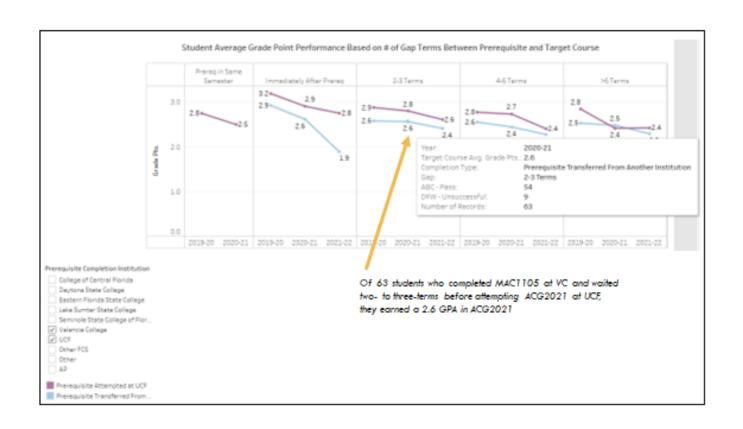


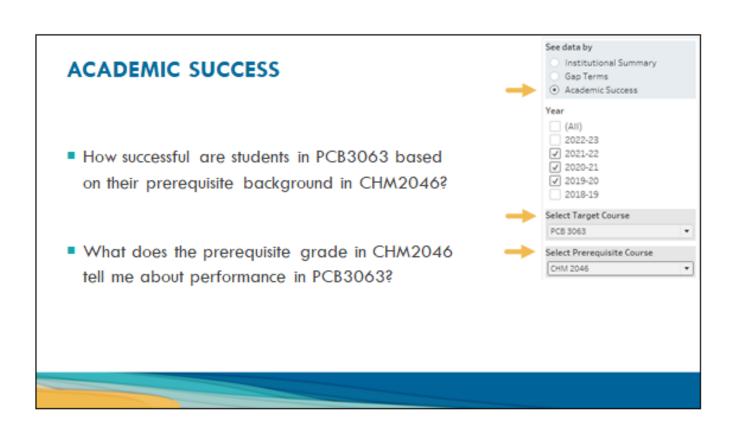


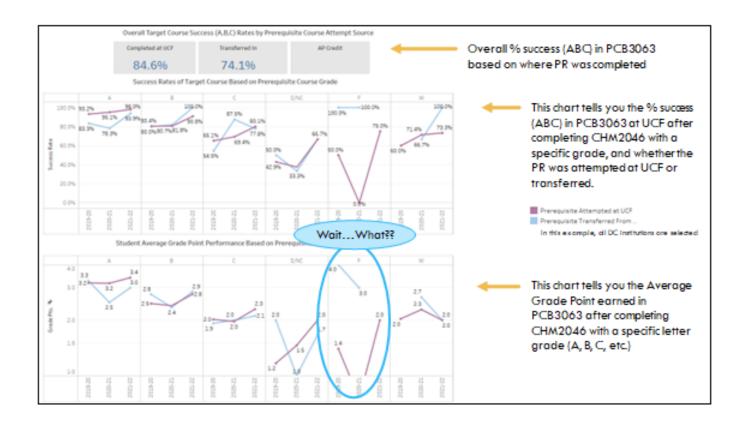


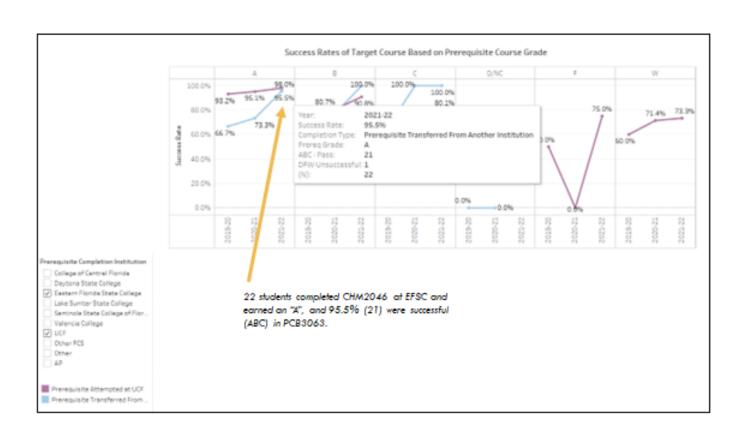


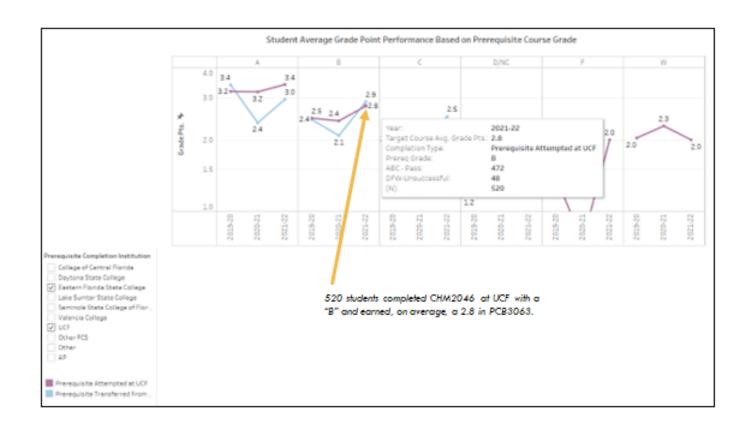


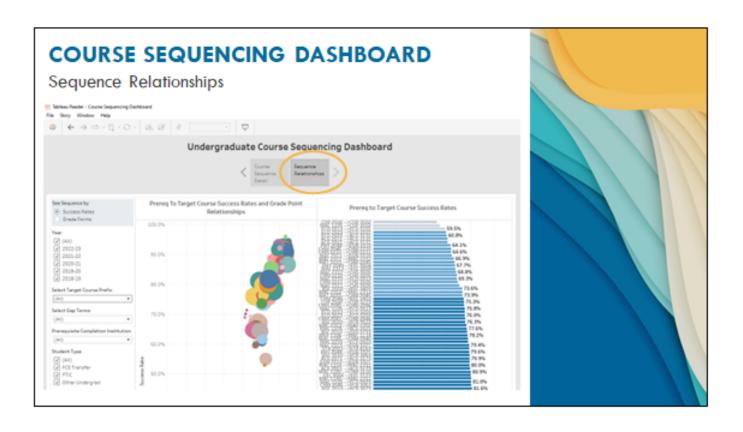


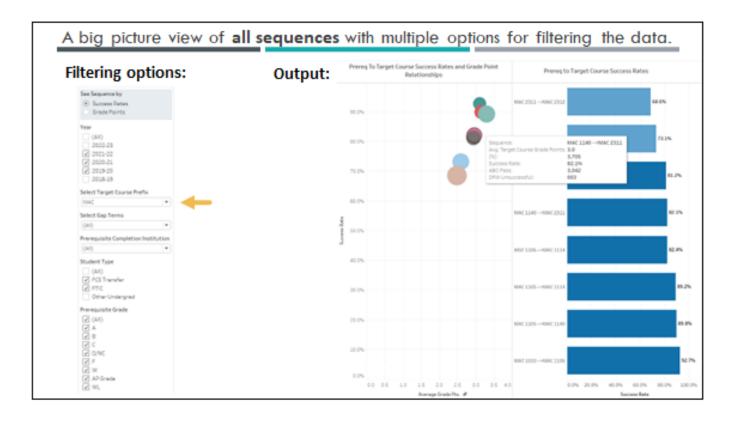




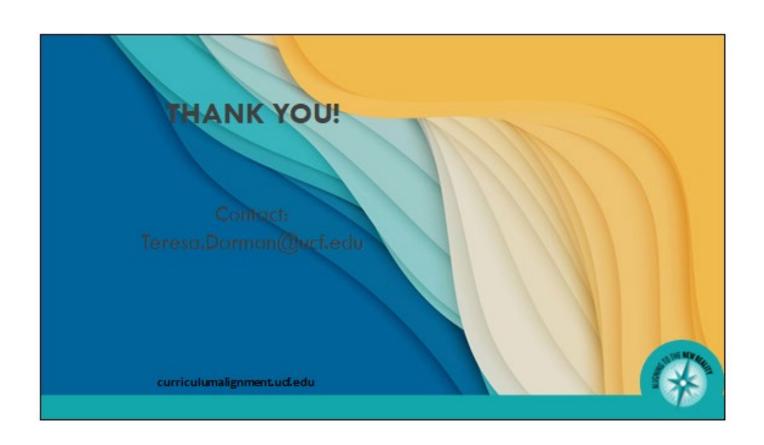








ADDITIONAL DEMO AND Q&A What additional sequences should be examined? Lower-level course discussed in alignment Upper-level course offered at UCF Direct prerequisite not required! What else? SEQUENCES TO BE ADDED: ACG 2071 > ACG 3171 BSC 2010 > BSC 2011 COP 3223 > COP 3502C PHY 2053 > PHY 2054



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