

STUDENT LIFE AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS STUDENT SUCCESS PROGRAMS

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Academic Success Initiatives & the First-Year Experience



Today's Discussion

- Overview of West Virginia University student success challenges and opportunities
- Discussion of the partnership between Student Life and Academic Affairs
- Overview and brief history of collaborative programs
- Discussion of Fall 2015 student success programs



First-Time Freshmen (FTF) First-Year Retention*

2013 Cohort = 76.9%

2012 Cohort = 77.1%

2011 Cohort = 77.2%

2010 Cohort = 77.8%

2009 Cohort = 80.0%

*Source: Institutional Research WVU – Dashboard: <http://www.wvu.edu/~planning/Reports/PDFs/WVUDashboard.pdf>



2014 FTF Profile*

- Total Enrollment = 4,868
- Average High School GPA = 3.42
- Average ACT Composite Score = 23.8
- Average SAT Total Score (Math & Verbal) = 1045
- **Nearly one-half of FTF are below these averages**
- **Males = 2,630**
- Females = 2,238
- **Non-Residents = 2,778**
- WV Residents = 2,244

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2020 Student Success Goals

<u>Main Campus Goals</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>2020 Goal</u>	<u>Difference</u>
FTF First-Year Retention Rate	77%	85%	8%
FTF IPEDS Graduation Rate (Six-Year)	57%	60%	3%
FTF Comprehensive Six-Year Graduation Rate *	67%	70%	3%

* Six-year graduation rate of WVU first-time full-time freshmen from all institutions as reported from National Student Clearinghouse



Student Life & Academic Affairs Collaboration

- Research shows that institutions where SL and AA work together:
 - Have greater student success
 - Enhance student learning, engagement, and development
- Efficiency gains:
 - Collaborative curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular programming
 - Resource pooling
 - Diverse expertise and experiences
 - Funding and other resources
 - Time, energy, enthusiasm



Student Life & Academic Affairs Partnerships

- New Student Orientation
- Summer Scholars
- Living Learning Communities
- First-Year Academy & Welcome Week
- Mountaineer Success Academy
- First-Year Seminar
- Common Read
- Early Alert Program
- Mid-Semester Programming
- Mid-Year Academy (MYA) (Spring)
- Preparing to Achieve Student Success (PASS) (Spring)
- Recruit Back Program



Fall 2015 Programs – All Students

- Tutoring
 - Academic Resource Centers
 - College/Department Learning Centers
- Student Success Coaching
- Students on the Road to Success (SORTS) Seminars
- First-Year Academy & Welcome Week
- First-Year Seminar
- Common Read



Fall 2015 Programs – Specific Groups

- Mountaineer Success Academy
- First-Year Pathways
- Early Alert Program
- Mid-Semester Programming
- Recruit Back Program



QUESTIONS?

Comments? Suggestions?

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