

Institutional Research Council

555 West 57th Street (BMW Building) 1240 Conference Room (12th floor)

10:00am-12pm

IRC Minutes

Friday, October 27, 2017

Announcement:

Assessment council is taking the lead in organizing the joint retreat which will be at Hunter, tentatively on June 8.

NYSDOL Updates

OIRA Central is back on track to get two files again. Send an email to Stephen Sheets if you wish to get this data. You must go through confidentiality training to be able to get identified data. The most recent data is 4th quarter for 2016. The employer name cannot be shared.

CUNY Momentum Campaign

Next month there will be speakers (Amy MacIntosh and Rachel Steven) on the larger framework for this momentum campaign. Today's presentation is on the Access and Completion Framework, one of five pillars for the campaign. There is a relationship with Complete College America.

- Take 30 – full time attendance to build 30 credits a year.
- Degree mapping – semester by semester map for every major in advising. Detailed plan, ideally with schedule.
- Remediation reform
- BA graduation rate within 6 years: should increase graduation overall by 2019 cohort.

Critical question: What are we doing that would lead us to expect that the graduation rate will increase? This is where the momentum campaign comes in.

The associate degree target 3-year graduation rate for 2018 cohort is 35.6. ASAP graduation rate is expected to be 50%.

Breaking graduation rates down by ethnicity and by Pell shows equity issues in terms of the length of time to degree.

Slides from the presentation will be made available.

More next month on the role of the advisor and faculty.

Sarah put out a call for any research on why students take the course load they do. The data show that freshmen generally take more credits, and this drops for Sophomores and Seniors.

Sarah also presented evidence from a regression model that students who take 15 credits vs 12 credits in their first semester earn more credits, have higher GPAs and are more likely to graduate after controlling for CAA and SAT when available.

The metrics for 30 credits in the first year were briefly discussed. Should it be disentangled from retention (to include only those re-enrolled the following fall)? Final decision has not yet been made.

A message to colleges will go out next week with some guidance on the momentum campaign. We are expecting that central will later send out specific data to colleges – case statements.

SIDEBAR: EAB update.

Initially CUNY was going with the sole source approval, the state required CUNY to put this out to bid – RFP. Everything has been delayed by about 2 years.

Lehman has developed a system with CUNY Central that will be demonstrated at the IT conference.

Next Council Meeting:

IRA – Friday, November 17th, 2017