Division of Student Affairs 2018 Winter Workshop

Task Force on Undergraduate Retention/Persistence (TOUR) Presentation Group Discussions

Theme - Skill-Based Ideas

College Transition

- A lot of freshmen share how difficult the transition from high school to college is, so an early intervention would be great.
- Expand Orientation to include more than our current program-specialized towards the needs of that cohort.
- CUSP

University College

- We need to educate on what the university college is and how it is being integrated on our campus.
- Have all (cohorts) living together...have an LLC for University College similar to the Honors College...may be easier for CAs to program or provide better support systems academically and socially.
- Look to leaders to mix with university college students (Athletes, Honors College, CAs, some Greeks).

Communication

- Create YouTube videos with peer educators (skit format)
- Get information out to students
- Elevator meetings
- As a student affairs staff we can make it a point to be more involved with our students workerdo class checks-ask about classes.

Other

- Create spaces to meet with student
- Create faculty incentives to participate in campus events.
- Disability Services/Advising and Testing
- Peer groups have better influence
- Utilize Power School-system to input all info so that we can better monitor where a student is...

Summary of Skills-Based Ideas Discussion:

Participants indicated a need to front-load the delivery of information to students to assist with their successful transition to IUP. Although, there was a lack of familiarity with the functions of the planned University College, several ideas were presented as to how aspects of the University College could be successfully leveraged to address student needs. Discussions also include potential ways to communicate with students, and create conditions for student success.