

Student Affairs Annual Highlights 2015-2016

Department Name: Outreach & Access

Dash Board Indicators: (Benchmark data reported in budget process with end of year numbers. Please include multiple year data if available.)

Outreach & Access Benchmarks	2015				
#’s of Outreach Workshops and Conferences Held.	179				
#’s of Community Outreach fairs and tabling events.	76				
#’s of Outreach students served.	3,953				
Early Outreach students served	4,154				
#’s of FAFSA Students served	1,306				
#’s of RISE students served	51				
#’s of PACE students served	246				
#’s of Gear Up students served	381				

Programming or Service Highlights: (Please use bullet format.)

- Beginning in January 2016, this new department was formally named. Recruitment duties moved to Admissions.
- Outreach and Access has a good presence at West Valley Center for programming and outreach efforts.
- Kevin Miller assumed the new Assistant Director position and is housed at WVC. He is overseeing the new College Funding Advisor efforts for FAFSA completion and the new RISE Grant.
- Staff serve on Refugees Provider’s Network, Native American Youth Leadership Committee, Wasatch Front South Education Partnership, USHE CANU and Underrepresented Student Work Group in order to be more strategic with efforts and resources in programming.

Outreach Highlights

- Conducted and participated in 46 workshops, 55 Outreach fairs and made contact with 1,165 underrepresented students, 1,857 alternative high school students and 931 refugees through tabling, presentations and individual admissions process.
- A new “Action Plan” concept was developed and implemented this year which contained a timeline and assignments for all partners to follow in assisting prospective students through the SLCC admissions process. Partnerships were developed to create and implement Action Plans between Outreach, other SLCC departments (FYE, TRiO, Financial Aid and Testing Center) and agencies, schools and school districts.

- Extensive tracking of students was done at targeted Action Plan schools:
 - Cottonwood High School Refugees– 233 contacts were made with 43 students completing the admissions application, 29 completing testing, 26 completed Orientation and 4 registered for classes. We collaborated with Cottonwood High to finish registering the students during the summer.
 - Granite Connection – 504 contacts were made with 40 students completed the admissions applications, 44 completed testing, 11 completed Orientation and 6 have registered for classes.
 - Horizonte Alternative High – 227 contacts were made at the Main and Rose Park sites with 72 students receiving the Horizonte Scholarships, 31 completed Orientation and 4 students registered for classes. FYE will register the rest of the students.
 - Salt Lake Math & Science Charter School- 170 student contacts made.
 - Valley High School - 881 student contacts made.
- SLCC hosted two high school Conferences for prospective Native Americans (201 students and 49 leaders) and Refugees (144 students and 25 leaders) in partnership with school districts, State agencies and community organizations.
 - An extensive career assessment was done at the Native American Conference with 48% of the students selecting a STEM field for their career choice with 91% indicating a high desire to achieve their goals. Their two greatest obstacles were money at 43% and grades at 37%. This data and more was shared with the Utah State Office of Education, Urban Indian Center and each school district that attended.

Early Outreach Highlights

- Early Outreach served 3,877 total students with 780 from 13 targeted schools and 277 coming from PACE. These services included attending college fairs, tabling, tours of SLCC, presentations on college readiness and Utah Scholars.
 - Other schools within the Salt Lake Valley who requested services totaled 3,097. Most were from low-income, underserved schools.
- A brief pre-survey was given to 927 early outreach students attending a SLCC college tour with the following results:
 - The top two obstacles preventing students from attending college were money at 46% grades at 29%.
 - Those with limited college knowledge about college credits and career training in high school were 59%. This included those that did not know their math class would cost \$700 for one semester.
 - Students were taught the value of academic rigor and free college credits and career training.
 - STEM careers were selected by 51% of the students as their top career choice.

PACE Highlights

- This year will conclude our fifth year of service for PACE.
- During year five, 246 PACE students were served.
- PACE will expand into Granite School District at Cottonwood High School in the Fall of 2016.

- We graduated 31 seniors from the program 25 students will be attending SLCC with 11 committed to the Access U program. The average GPA of our graduating seniors is 3.50 with an average ACT score of 19. Two PACE students were selected to speak at their graduation ceremonies
- We admitted 89 freshmen into the PACE program with 108 parents attending an orientation and were also trained on how to use Salt Lake City School District's online student information system.
- This year, our Job Shadowing program had 33 Students placed at 8 different job sites. We also had an increase in our Career Exploration Summer Program.

Gear Up Highlights

- This year will conclude Year Five of our seven-year grant. We are currently serving 381 students in grades 10-12 at two schools—Kearns and Taylorsville High Schools.
- Our annual Senior Celebration was held on May 11, 2016. All 94 (100%) GEAR UP Seniors graduated from high school.
- First-Year College GEAR UP—102 confirmed GEAR UP students registered at SLCC for 2015 Fall semester classes (63.73% full time, 36.27% part time). 83 or 81.37% persisted to their second semester. Collaboration with SLCC First Year Office remained strong. This group manages our current graduating seniors from both Kearns and Taylorsville High Schools, and also meets with GEAR UP seniors at East and West High Schools to facilitate smooth transition from the UVU GEAR UP to SLCC GEAR UP.
- Our summer 2015 “Tour de GEAR UP” provided a weekly opportunity for our students to visit a college campus or two and explore majors/programs they had not previously considered.
- The theme for 2015-16 was definitely “Family Connections.” Starting with home visits last summer and culminating in our Senior Celebration in May, we have had increased parent/family attendance at our activities this year. Additionally, we held monthly Senior Nights at the high schools to meet with senior students and their parents to help prepare them for college with instruction on college applications, scholarships, and FAFSA.