DSU Student Success Strategies

DSU’s Retention Committee is responsible for the coordination of the campus-wide retention efforts. The Committee’s responsibilities (per DSU Policy) include:

1. Implement and evaluate the university’s retention plans
2. Collaborate with the Institutional Effectiveness Committee to ensure the colleges and functional units’ retention plans are incorporated into the campus-wide retention efforts
3. Evaluate data to monitor retention activities and support institutional improvement
4. Ensure that the campus is informed of all retention activities

The Retention Committee meets on bi-monthly basis to ensure implementation and evaluation of the retention activities. The minutes are distributed to the campus via e-mail. The Student Success website has information on the Retention Timeline and Retention Committee Policy. http://www.dsu.edu/academics/assessment/student-success/index.aspx

Balanced Scorecard


This URL lists the college/unit outcomes with all of the associated projects. It requires selecting each of the 7 objectives under Strategic Focus 3.

http://bsc.dsu.edu/FocusObjViewAll2.aspx
Select Focus #3: Increase Student Retention and graduation by providing an exceptional student experience
Select an Objective
Lists all units outcomes and projects for that objective
Repeat by scrolling to the top and selecting the next objective- there are 7 strategic objectives under Focus #3

This URL lists the college/unit outcomes under the Strategic Foci.

URL: http://bsc.dsu.edu/FocusUnit2.aspx
Select Focus # 3
Lists all outcomes by college / functional unit for all 7 objectives, the list doesn’t include the individual projects

AQIP Projects related to Retention:

Design and Implement Programs to Enhance Student Success and Retention: Completed May 2010
Collecting and Analyzing Data to Improve Student Retention: Completed May 2010

Strategic Planning and Institutional Effectiveness: Implementation Phase: Completed October 2010

Student Retention and Early Alert System

**Early Alert System:**
DSU’s Early Alert System is a web-based communication system, created to promote early identification of at-risk students and provide referrals to appropriate resources. [http://www.dsu.edu/academics/online-advising-students/early-alert-faq.aspx](http://www.dsu.edu/academics/online-advising-students/early-alert-faq.aspx)

**Other Activities / Websites**

**Academic Advising:**
Student advising: [http://www.dsu.edu/academics/online-advising-students/index.aspx](http://www.dsu.edu/academics/online-advising-students/index.aspx)
Faculty advising: [http://www.dsu.edu/academics/online-advising/index.aspx](http://www.dsu.edu/academics/online-advising/index.aspx)

**Tutoring:** [http://www.dsu.edu/academics/tutoring/index.aspx](http://www.dsu.edu/academics/tutoring/index.aspx)

**Family Day:** Website with information on the 3rd annual Family Weekend: [http://www.dsu.edu/family-program/events.aspx](http://www.dsu.edu/family-program/events.aspx)

**Risk Factor Interventions:** All students enrolled in pre-general education courses are asked to complete an online form signifying understanding of the BOR Policy related to pre-general education course completion [http://www.departments.dsu.edu/assessment/forms/pregeneral_ed.htm](http://www.departments.dsu.edu/assessment/forms/pregeneral_ed.htm)

**GS 100:** DSU's University Experience course is intended to help ease the transition from high school to college by familiarizing students with support services, facilities, and activities available at DSU [http://www.dsu.edu/academics/freshman-success/index.aspx](http://www.dsu.edu/academics/freshman-success/index.aspx)