

ACHIEVE 2019

TRANSFER STUDENT SUCCESS CONFERENCE

BREAKOUT SESSION 2:

MARCH 7, 2019 – 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-01
<i>Title:</i>	“Five Things to Consider When Choosing a Major”
<i>Presenter(s):</i>	Kelli Morris – Director of Career Services & Cooperative Learning (Calhoun Community College)
<i>Brief Description:</i>	It is a decision that every college student is faced with- What is your major? This can be a daunting question for anyone! During this engaging session, I will share five factors for students to consider when choosing a college major, a presentation given in Calhoun's Freshman Seminar courses. Resources will be provided.
<i>Topic Area(s):</i>	Orientation, Faculty, Advisors, Career Services, Personnel, Administration
<i>Building:</i>	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
<i>Room Number:</i>	339 – 3 rd Floor
<i>Technology Needs:</i>	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
<i>Session Facilitator:</i>	Michael Walker-Jones (ACHE)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-02
<i>Title:</i>	“Advising in the Gap: Reducing Excess Credit for Community College Transfer Students”
<i>Presenter(s):</i>	Bob Charlebois – Transfer Coordinator (USA)
<i>Brief Description:</i>	Despite available resources, it can still be challenging for community college students to get clear direction on which courses to take for their intended major at a university. In January 2016, University of South Alabama rolled out Pathway USA, an academic advising program for students at three regional community colleges. Pathway Transfer Advisors work with students throughout their time at the community college to create and maintain personalized academic transfer plans. They ensure that students are taking the right courses at the community college to transfer effectively and efficiently into their chosen major at USA, avoiding costly and unnecessary excess credits. This session will discuss the unique challenges that arise advising students attending different institutions and some of the creative solutions we have used to solve them.
<i>Topic Area(s):</i>	Institutional Partnerships, Retention, Completion, Transfer Academic Advising
<i>Building:</i>	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
<i>Room Number:</i>	340 – 3 rd Floor
<i>Technology Needs:</i>	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
<i>Session Facilitator:</i>	Charles Israel (AU)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-03
Title:	“University General Education Revision and the Transfer Student”
Presenter(s):	Ginger Bishop – Assistant Provost, Director of Institutional Effectiveness(UA)
Brief Description:	A moderated panel of colleagues from Alabama universities will discuss recent or ongoing efforts to revise their general education requirements and what considerations they've made for transfer students. The discussion will be moderated by the lead presenter.
Topic Area(s):	Institutional Partnerships, General Studies, Advising
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	341 – 3 rd Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Angela Coleman (USA)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-04
Title:	“Academic Advising: A Unique Role for Faculty”
Presenter(s):	Luoheng Han – Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Professor in Geography (UA)
Brief Description:	Academic advising is very important to the academic success of students. Faculty advising can have a big impact not only on the academic success, but on the career choice of students.
Topic Area(s):	Academic Advising
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	342 – 3 rd Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Luoheng Han (UA)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-05
Title:	“Connection is the Key! – The Secret to Retention and Student Success”
Presenter(s):	Felisha Ford – Director of Counseling and Student Success (ESCC)
Brief Description:	This session will present data and previous research findings that indicate that connection and the development of relationships for students in higher education is one of the greatest predictors of retention and student success. The presenter will also discuss programs and services that the faculty/staff at various institutions, including her own, are implementing to become more intentional with "connecting" with students to help improve retention and student success rates.
Topic Area(s):	Retention, Completion
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	343 – 3 rd Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Brandi Stacey (UA)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-06
Title:	“Faculty Perceptions of Academic Advising and the Impact on Student Success”
Presenter(s):	Jarrold Patterson – Assistant Professor/Advising Coordinator-Department of English & Foreign Languages (AAMU)
Brief Description:	According to initial research by Beal and Noel (1980), academic advising has been demonstrated to be one of the top three retention strategies that college and university personnel, both 2 and 4 year, can utilize to promote student success, retention/persistence, and most importantly, completion. Retention has been documented to improve when academic advising serves the students by connecting them to the institutions and by addressing their needs. But even with the growing body of research that showing its critical importance to student success, academic advising is still one of the most underutilized resources at many colleges and universities around the country, especially by faculty advisors. Situated at the top of the student success hierarchy, faculty advisors are seen as students' first options in their academic development. Many faculty advisors do not understand their importance of their roles in this process. This presentation will show the need for further faculty development in the area of academic advising in order to provide advising that will lead to student success.
Topic Area(s):	Retention, Completion
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
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Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Pamela Arrington (AAMU)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-07
Title:	“Finish What You Start – How One College Doubled Completions”
Presenter(s):	Annette Cederholm – Vice President for Academic Affairs (Snead State Community College) Jason Cannon – Vice President for Student Services (Snead State Community College)
Brief Description:	This session is designed to present information on how a community college focused their resources and changed their culture to increase completion numbers.
Topic Area(s):	Articulation, Degree Audit, Retention, Completion, Career Choice, Career Pathways
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	303 – 3 rd Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Annette Cederholm (SCC)

Session Number:	030719-2-08
Title:	"Processing and Maintaining Transfer Student Records"
Presenter(s):	Mary Ellen Hanna – Senior Associate University Registrar (UA) Morgan Jackson – Assistant University Registrar for Transfer Credit (UA)
Brief Description:	The Office of the University Registrar at the University of Alabama serves transfer students, ensuring their educational records are processed, maintained, and protected. Processing transfer student records requires organizational skills and familiarity with transcripts and grading policies from other institutions. Additionally, employees tasked with processing educational records must be familiar with institutional policies, procedures, and other expectations. During this session, we will discuss the Office of the University Registrar's procedures for processing transcripts, how transfer credit policies have been developed, and how processes have been adapted to address transfer credit issues as they arise.
Topic Area(s):	Transcripts, Records
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	305 – 3 rd Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Lisa Williams (JSU)

Session Number:	030719-2-09
Title:	"Helping Students Choose Their Majors: Common Myths and Best Practices in Higher Education"
Presenter(s):	Sadguna Anasuri – Associate Professor (AAMU)
Brief Description:	The session explores the common myths surrounding the selection of a major in higher education. The participants will learn about the need and importance of choosing a major and the best practices to follow when advising the students regarding their choice of major(s). Participants will leave the session with clarity on career advising – identifying the students' interests, matching with their appropriate disciplines, planning recruitment activities, and supporting retention measures. The session will focus on evidence-based practices that will equip the educators in assisting undergraduate students in preparing and pursuing their careers and future lives.
Topic Area(s):	Recruitment, Retention, Completion, Career Choice, Career Pathways
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	205 – 2 nd Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi AV hookup – (Audio/video capability)
Session Facilitator:	Jacqueline Trimble (ASU)

<i>Session Number:</i>	030719-2-AGSC-STARs
Title:	"AGSC/STARs – Update Session"
Presenter(s):	Keith Sessions – Executive Director (AGSC/STARs) Shannon Nichols – Assistant Director (AGSC/STARs)
Brief Description:	The primary focus of this session is to bring participants up-to-date on the current activities of the AGSC/STARs Program. The primary topics will be (1) STARs Usage Reports, (2) NEW Area Committee Structure, (3) Area V Page Updates and Improvements, and (4) Website Re-Design – from HTML to Responsive Pages. There will also be Q&A time.
Topic Area(s):	AGSC/STARs – Alabama Articulation Program
Building:	ACATT = Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training Building
Room Number:	THEATER – 1 st Floor
Technology Needs:	POWERPOINT – Computer, Projector, Screen, Wifi
Session Facilitator:	Shannon Nichols (STARs)