

THE MOVING THE NEEDLE PROJECT

A COMPREHENSIVE, INTEGRATED, CAMPUS-WIDE INITIATIVE TO ADVANCE OUR GOALS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS AND RETENTION.



CLEARANCE: THE BUSINESS OF BEING A STUDENT

Co-Chairs: Ashley Bowman and
Rodney Countryman

To establish an/or refine the approach, systems and practices to increase the number of students “cleared” prior to the first of class every term.

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FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE

Co-Chairs: Jenny Wagstaff and
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To design a comprehensive, scaffold and multi-phased approach for new students that begins at the point of students’ acceptance and continues through the first semester of their second year.

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Victor Hernandez, Alexandria Harrell,
Slade Lellock, and Catherine Clark*

ACADEMIC ADVISING

Co-Chairs Nina Huff
and Sara Hodges

To develop a robust, consistent, pervasive and scalable approach to advising campus-wide; to fully implement an approach based on a shared vision and practices that equip students to navigate the curricular, co-curricular and career/vocational environment during their experience.

*Team Members: Chris Molina, Fred Betts,
Emma Olsson, Billy Wooten, Gary Tucker
Richard Breen, and Janet Phillips*

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Co-Chairs: Morgan Farmer and
Joy Durham-Carthen

To coordinate and fully integrate support services proven to advance students’ academic and personal success, as well as develop comprehensive systems and approaches that enable the campus to anticipate and effectively intervene to support students.

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