Meeting Notes
Hawaii Graduation Initiative
2/15/2013
Present: Eun, Jan, Jim, Amy, Terri

Updates

Mapping/Milestones

Jan - Academic maps for two programs (humanities and busa) assigned with the deadline of the 20th. Eun – All programs are working on a two year schedule.

Honors Program

Eun – Data shows more students leaving with less than a 3.0GPA, so perhaps not as great a need right now than originally thought. We will work on developing the program in order to implement in Fall 2014. Jim – Need to require test scores for tracking purposes to help identify potential incoming honors students.

Block scheduling for freshmen

Jim – Terri and Robyn are still building courses in banner, estimate 80% are built. Once complete, Margy will look at existing courses and try to identify blocks of 12 credits each.

Embedded remedial courses

Discussions about LCC instructor hesitant to teach math courses at UHWO and implications of demand for the pilot 196 course. We estimate 90 students in need but can only accommodate 1 section.

Restructuring advising to be more intrusive

Jan – By mid March looking at having 4 advisors. Currently have 2 and are filling 2 vacant positions.

Strategic use of Financial Aid/Scholarships

Jim – Still collecting information as to amount of merit aid available.

15 to finish and 30 to finish campaigns
Eun – Expressed interest in ideas to generate faculty buy-in on 15 to finish. Group discussion on the need to develop a unified message between academic advisors and general advisors.

Review % of students with ≥ 140 cr hrs. Jan is looking to develop a strategy for students with 140+ credit hours. Waiting for a report from Joanne Itano. Jim - Possibility that STAR can generate a report for students with 95% degree completion.

Next meeting: April 5th @ 9am in room D104 (note: March meeting cancelled).