Academic/Student Affairs, Enrollment and Technology Committee

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Assessment

2019-2020 Program Reviews

Department	Self-Study completed	Submitted to IBHE	External Review Completed
Psychology	X	X	Delayed due to COVID Scheduled for February 2021
Communication, Media, Theatre	X	X	Delayed due to COVID Scheduled for March 2021
Mathematics	X	X	Delayed due to COVID Scheduling in progress

2020-2021 Program Reviews

Department	Self-Study completed	Submitted to IBHE	External Review Completed
Philosophy	In progress	Due September 2021	Scheduled for April 2021
TESOL	In progress	Due September 2021	Scheduled for April 2021

Program Reviews Scheduled for 2021-2022

World Languages and Cultures
Accounting
Finance
Management
Marketing
General Business Administration
MBA

Academic Planning

Purpose is to develop a curriculum in a historical, social, and political context. Elements include:

- Culturally Responsive Teaching
- Creation of Innovative Programming
- Career Development (meeting regional workforce needs) and Placement (Graduate Schools)
- Mentoring
- Faculty Exchanges
- Orientation
- Learning Communities

Questions?

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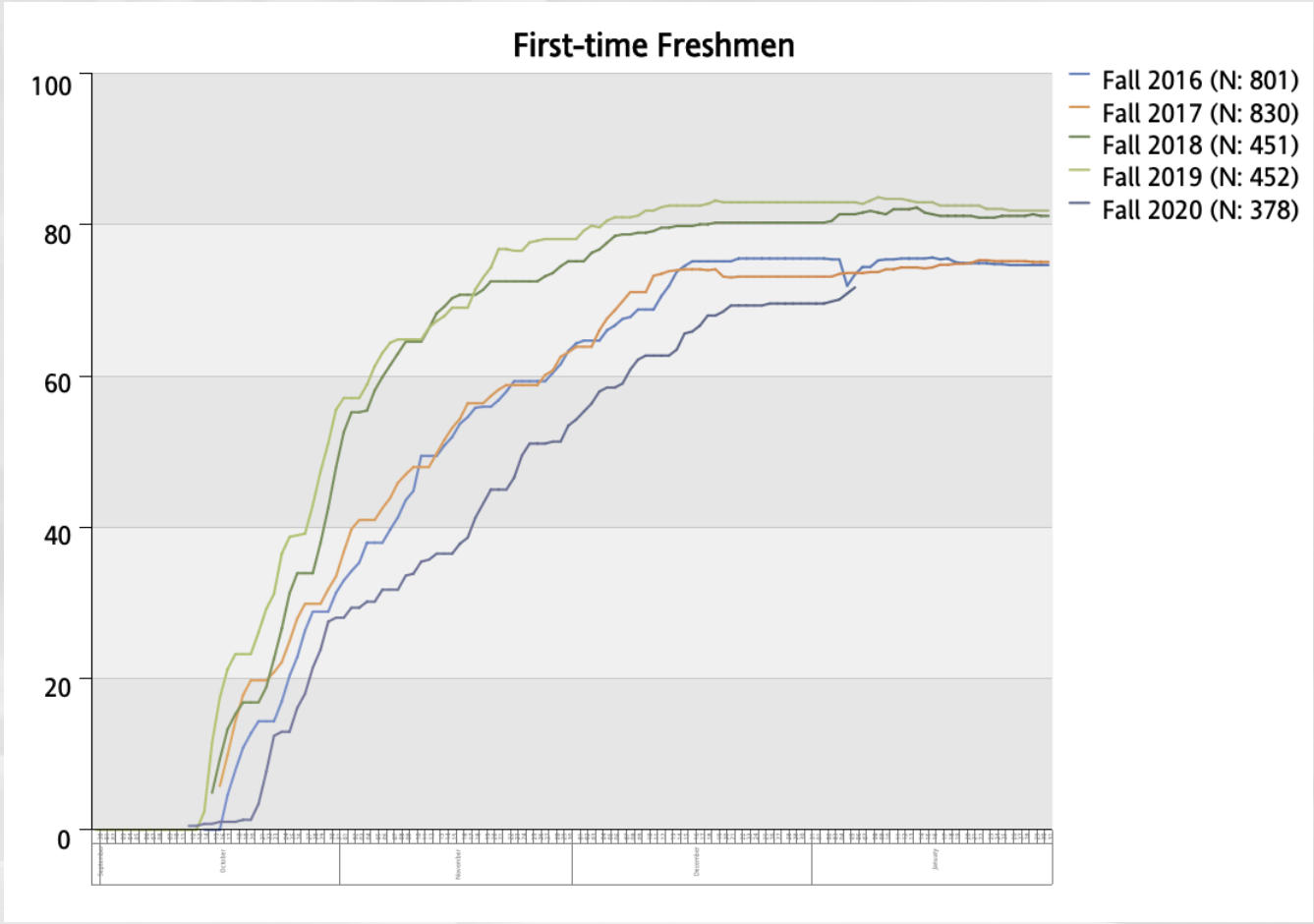
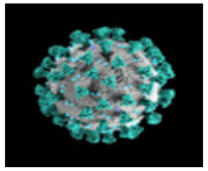
Retention Update; Fall 2020 to Spring 2021

- Final Retention rate for 2019 freshmen class was 66.9%.
- Fall to Spring Retention is at 74.4%.
- Challenges
  - Pandemic remains a large challenge.
    - Financial concerns
      - Summer Senior Survey-48.8% reported loss of income/job
      - Fall Survey-44.3% reported financial burdens related to online learning
    - Virtual learning fatigue
    - Mental Health

Retention Trends

- A big predictor of success/retention is early registration.
- The registration curve this year was shallow early on and has remained flatter, indicating students have delayed registration.
- There was a slight uptick the week before classes began.
- Advisors indicate that students have decided to hold out or not register at all
- This follows national trends.





SPECIAL SERIES
The Coronavirus Crisis

'Losing A Generation': Fall College Enrollment Plummets For 1st-Year Students

December 17, 2020 · 5:00 AM
Heard on Morning Edition

Instead of going to college this fall, Brian Williams got a job at a Jimmy John's near his home in Stafford, Texas. He says paying for college was always going to be hard, but it was even harder to justify the expense during a pandemic.
Scott Dalton for NPR

All throughout high school, Brian Williams planned to go to college. But as the

Opportunities to Increase Retention/Enrollment for Fall

- Re-engage students strategically using financial aid as we return to face to face in fall.
- Improve placement process for incoming fall 2021 students. Including, improving FYE courses and improving orientation.
- Continued work on developmental education; team of Math, English, and English Language Program faculty and Arts and Sciences Dean and Associate Provost completed report on status of Dev. Ed.
  - In 2018
    - 67.5% of freshmen placed into developmental math (non-credit bearing courses)
    - 43.5% placed into developmental reading/writing
    - Need full support to establish better placement, lower cost, faster time to completion of Math and English requirements

Questions?