Student Success Team Highlights 2010-2011

The Student Success Team began the year by reorganizing around projects rather than attrition spike points. The group feels that while we will continue to examine data as it relates to the attrition spike points, that our work is better focused around major issues and projects.

- The Student Success Team continued implementing the Mid-Term Grading process for all freshmen students and students in special populations (EFE, EOF, Regional Center and Athletes). The APRC received a proposal for full implementation to all undergraduate students from the SST in the fall, which they unanimously approved. The resolution was then presented by the APRC and Rich Panicucci and Craig Mourton at the February faculty senate meeting. The senate passed the APRC resolution and midterm grading to all undergraduate students will be implemented in fall semester.
- The team also sponsored the first annual EFE Brunch. This event was held in the spring semester
 and was designed to allow EFE parents and their students to meet with faculty from the
 different majors with the hope that this will facilitate a more successful transition from the EFE
 program to the major. The event was well attended and it is our hope to continue this tradition
 each year.
- The Faculty for Freshmen Subcommittee continued to be active this year by hosting its annual mini conference at the beginning of the fall semester. This event titled "One Foot in Two Worlds" discussed the needs of special populations at the university such as International Students, Latino Students, Adult Learners/Veterans and Students with Disability. In addition, the group sponsored brown bag lunches throughout the academic year that looked closely at each population individually.
- The Student Success Team formed a new subcommittee focused on issues of class scheduling and its impact on retention and campus life. This group is in the early stages of data analysis and will continue into the next academic year.
- The Student Success Team continued to host the Late Knight Breakfast each semester. The fall breakfast had 425 students attending.

Overall the Student Success Team had a productive year and while the team cannot take full credit for the significant increases in retention that occurred this year, we feel confident that we continue to contribute to the success of our students.