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Helping Students:

- Navigate to Graduation
- Maximize their use of resources

Helping Our College to:

- Connect Student Services and Instruction
- Create a Culture of Caring and Support

Guiding your Path to Success

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Guided Pathways Project

<https://sdmiramar.edu/node/16760>

Hello Miramar Colleagues!

We are your Guided Pathways Project Development Team.

Our team is exploring and developing ways to help us improve upon our efforts at helping students be successful.

We all know students should be our focus and the driver of campus efforts and decisions, so let's come together and work toward a better future with that in mind.

There's always room for improvement, right?

Wait... does that mean more work?

No, we are not trying to create, "extra work" for anyone.

We are focused on us all being more effective and efficient in our efforts to help students. A rethinking and update that many of you will agree is long overdue.

Let's make wise improvements and decisions, and your input is essential to us doing this right and creating a future where we not only do things better...

...but we do them smarter.



What is guided pathways? What are we specifically trying to improve?

- #1 – Student knowledge of and access to college services - at enrollment and thereafter**
- #2 – Helping our average 30% of students without a major, find areas of interest that can help guide them into finding a major that fits their goals.**
- #3 – Helping students find communities of other like-minded and similar major students. This networking is both good for the student's success, but also for their health and sense of belonging.**



- #4 – Helping our programs to develop course sequencing that enables students to graduate in 4 semesters. This also will drive course offerings and course scheduling, and will put our focus on student priorities and completion success.**
- #5 – Use data to understand and improve the student experience, student enrollment and retention, and how we can do better in the support of our students.**



Data has a better idea

#6 – Help disadvantaged and challenged students use campus resources, find programs, be successful, and get to graduation. Make student equity not just a goal, but a reality.
#7 –Support life-long learners, who are here to enrich themselves, yet not maybe here for a degree. Guided pathways is not enforced upon any student, so our local community is still welcome to take classes and explore academic curiosities.



Who's on the team? Here are the GPS teams and their leaders

- Lisa Brewster – GPS Project Leader
- Lisa Clarke – GPS Project Leader
- Wendy Kinsinger - On Boarding Team Lead
- Mary Kjartanson and Cheryl Reed - Course Sequencing Team Leads
- Mona Patel - Program Communities, Career and Academic Interest Areas Team Lead
- Channing Booth - Communications and Technology Team Lead

Please consider helping their efforts. We need your input and perspectives!



Here's what our teams are currently working on:

1 – On Boarding – Team lead: Wendy Kinsinger
wkinsinger@sdccd.edu (email to join the team!)
Currently working on a student survey to help us understand the new student experience, their process, confusion, what was helpful, what was not, what resources did they overlook, how did they choose courses, etc.



2 – Course Sequencing – Team lead: Mary Kjartanson and Cheryl Reed
mkjartan@sdccd.edu and creed@sdccd.edu (email to join the team!)
Currently working on creating a template and process for course sequencing that will be used for course offerings and scheduling. This will help students finish their programs in four semesters as we promised.

3 – Program Communities, Career and Academic Interest Areas – Team lead: Mona Patel
mpatel@sdccd.edu (email to join the team!)
Currently working on the upcoming campus wide planning summit and the interest areas and program communities that attendees will help think through and design.

4 – Communications and Technology – Team lead: Channing Booth
cbooth@sdccd.edu (email to join the team!)
Currently working on email communications and strategies, GPS website revisions and updates. Developing strategies to increase support and efforts of campus colleagues with the GPS project.



Please consider helping one of the teams and using your positive energies to make the GPS project as successful as we can.

Next Update: Monday, March 16, 2020

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2020 Collegewide Planning Summit

This Friday!, March 13, 2020 9am-2pm Room I-130
Breakfast at 8:30am

**Let's get together as a college to identify areas
of interest that lead to career exploration**
Prizes to be awarded throughout the day

Participate and Contribute Please