Dedicated to Educating, Graduating, and Retaining Educational Equity Students

Who we are

The program, also known as DEGREES, seeks to provide enhanced services to students with a special focus on underrepresented students to make timely progress to their degrees and to reduce the achievement gap.

Demographics of Students for Academic Year 2018-2019 (N=8819)

Gender

59% of them are female.

41% of them are male.

Age

Average age was 21 years old. Age ranged from 16-69 years old.

Ethnicity

71% were Hispanic/Latinx.

18% were Black/African American.

4% were Pacific Islander.

3% were Asian.

2% were Native American.

1% were White.

1% were Other.

Class Level

25.2% were freshmen.

16.6% were sophomores.

37.0% were juniors.

16.7% were seniors.

4.5% were graduates.



Key Performance Indicators

Fall 2018 (n=7968)

Average Term GPA was 2.90.

Average Unit Load was 13.47.

88% of students were full-time.

45% of students were enrolled with 15 units or more.

94% of students were in good academic standing.

98% of students persisted the following semester.

Spring 2019 (n=8486)

Average Term GPA was 2.86.

Average Unit Load was 13.16.

87% of students were full-time.

41% of students were enrolled with 15 units or more.

93% of students were in good academic standing.

96% of students persisted the following semester.

Other Indicators

- 85% of high unit DEGREES seniors applied for graduation while 79% of high unit Non-DEGREES seniors applied for graduation.
- 45% of second year DEGREES students were enrolled in 15 units or more for spring 2019 while 43% of second year Non-DEGREES students were enrolled in 15 units or more for spring 2019.
- 24% of DEGREES students with 60 units or more registered for WPJ while 27% of Non-DEGREES students with 60 units or more registered for WPJ.

Core Components

- Peer Mentoring/Advising
- Workshops
- Faculty Mentoring/Advising
- Events
- Smartthinking

Core Components

- Advising to reach students beyond the first year of college with an emphasis on the sophomore through senior years
- Leadership development opportunities
- Internships and global engagement experiences
- Faculty and peer mentoring
- Individual tutoring and supplemental instruction
- Online tutorial services 24 hours a day in distinct subject areas

- FSMP Writing Center satellites
- Disability testing for a limited number of eligible students
- Summer Bridge programming
- Transfer Learning Communities
- First generation and educational opportunity program support
- Student support from the DEGREES Project Ambassador Team
- Campus wide mentorship services with online mentoring capabilities
- A diverse cadre of interventions for educational equity students through the academic colleges

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