Governors State University  
Student Affairs and Enrollment Management: Reaching Vision 2020

Focus Area: Dual Degree Program and Transfer Initiatives

Leader(s): Roshaunda Ross

Implementation Year: 2015-2016

**Goal #2:** Support the establishment and implementation of the Center for the Junior Year to provide an exemplary physical and virtual resource center for native and transfer students to come together for information, support and guidance as they transition to their chosen major.

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<th>Objective 1:</th>
<th>Assist with determining a viable campus location for the Center for the Junior Year on GSU’s campus.</th>
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| Action Items | ➢ Help to locate space/offices for the CJY to be housed  
➢ Publicize the location of the CJY both internally and externally  
➢ Serve on search committees for CJY staff  
➢ Assist with the creation of a website for CJY  
➢ Assist with the creation of a print and virtual library of resources |
| Indicators and Data Needed | ➢ Space secured, accommodating for staff and students  
➢ Meetings with various GSU populations to inform of CJY space/offerings |
| Responsible Person and/or Unit (Data collection, analysis reporting) | ➢ Roshaunda Ross, DDP Director  
➢ Randi Schneider, Assoc. VP of Enrollment Mgmt. |
| Milestones (Identify Timelines) | ➢ Grand opening of CJY  
➢ Launching of CJY website |
| Desired Outcomes and Achievements (Identify results expected) | ➢ Physical presence for CJY  
➢ Robust, centralized services for junior students |

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<th>Objective 2:</th>
<th>Assist with the increase of retention rates of students from junior to senior year.</th>
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| **Action Items** | ➢ Help to identify most common reasons why juniors at GSU have stopped/dropped out  
➢ Collaborate with GSU Student Success office to implement programs/support systems to counteract stop/drop out reasons |
| **Indicators and Data Needed**  
(Measures that will appraise progress towards the strategic objective) | ➢ Retention rates of junior students pre vs. post creation of the CJY  
➢ Retention rates of junior students who are actively engaged with CJY vs. other juniors  
➢ Retention rates of juniors as CJY becomes more established |
| **Responsible Person and/or Unit (Data collection, analysis reporting)** | ➢ CJY staff  
➢ DDP staff  
➢ GSU Academic Resource Center staff  
➢ GSU Institutional Research |
| **Milestones (Identify Timelines)** | ➢ Review of retention rates every fall semester |
| **Desired Outcomes and Achievements (Identify results expected)** | ➢ Increase in number of GSU juniors who return for senior year |

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