Gavilan College Title V Grant 2015-2020: Engaging for Success

Goal:
Raise the level of student engagement in community and academic life to increase success, retention, completion, and transfer.

Civic Engagement
Connecting with Community
- Service Learning
- Project-based Learning
- Action Research
- Internships
- Peer Mentoring
- Technology-rich teaching and learning environments

Learning Commons Support
- Leadership development
- Pipeline for tutors and SI’s in Learning Commons

Academic Support
- Additional attention to academic sticking points
- Guided Practice
- Faculty-produced Learning Guides
- Scheduled and drop-in tutoring
- Supplemental Instruction
- Study Groups
- Workshops for Individuals & Classes
- Support, training in leveraging technology
- Information literacy development
- Retention specialist
- Curriculum support
- Acceleration
- Reading Apprenticeship
- Scholarship Academy
- Scaling up to support all DE courses.

Distance Education
Course Development
- Robust, high-quality online and hybrid courses with attention to:
  a) course design
  b) pedagogy/best practice
  c) scaffolding support for online success
- Development of Virtual Learning Commons (e.g., provide online supplemental instruction, tutoring, faculty-produced Learning Guides, etc.)
- Using Learning Commons retention specialist, counselor to support students in grant pilot courses.

A Commitment to
--Integration of academic support, student support, and classroom instruction.
--Appreciative inquiry: build relationships, begin by recognizing the strengths we do have and building on those.
--Importance of collecting and analyzing data to assess, inform our practices and programs
--Creation of programs that are scaleable and sustainable.
--Learning in Community
   for students
   for faculty
   for the Gavilan community, beyond to local community and other higher education entities.

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