External Advisory Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 17th 2018
FIU Embrace LIFE and PLUS Core Activities

- Compliance
- Program Redesign
- Expansion
Embedding processes into existing University structures to ensure programmatic sustainability

Ensure adherence to University, state, and federal policies and laws
  - Level II background checks
  - Institutional Review Board approval/updates
    - LIFE
    - PLUS
    - Employment conference
Compliance

- Consenting and data collection
- Internships
- Job shadowing sites
- Instructor Folder
  - Notification/collaboration with DRC
- Faculty Mentor/Advisors
  - Faculty Mentor Handbook
  - Faculty Advisor/contract
Program Redesign and Rebuilding

- Review and redevelopment of the program of study for LIFE and PLUS
  - Hospitality
  - Health and Wellness
  - Technology
- Development of badges
- Internships – Employer paid internships
  - Development of partnerships
  - Employment conference
- Job shadowing sites

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Program Redesign and Rebuilding

- Development of Academic calendars
- Student-led FIU club
  - Student-led social activities currently being mined and integrated into LIFE and PLUS
  - Faculty/staff sponsor
- Residential – PLUS (only)
  - Curriculum for PLUS developed (24 weeks; 5 days per week)
Residential – PLUS (only)

- Independent living survey pre-and post test (students, parents, resident advisors)
- Battery of psychological and adaptive behavioral assessments for application process
Conferences & Trainings

- 2018 Annual Hartwick Symposium Series
  - October through February - Planning and organizing
  - With students (February)
    - Overall Self-Advocacy Training and Session – Self-Advocates 101
    - Self-disclosure/awareness
    - General health and nutrition
    - Making friends online and in person
  - Upcoming – July 2018 – to benefit secondary school teachers and parents
Conferences & Trainings

- Employment conference (March 12)

- Trainings
  - Faculty mentors (Lunch and learn)
  - Institutional Review Board training and protocol review (Lunch and learn)
  - STAR Person-Centered Planning (PCP) training
  - Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Human Subjects Research Social/Behavioral Human Research Course
Conferences & Trainings

- Conference presentations – two submitted to the American Public Health Association
  - Disparities in Healthcare Transition Support Received by Children with Special Health Care Needs (Agarwal, R., Attong, N., & Burke, S.)
Grants

- Awarded FCIHE mini-grant
  - Faculty mentor certification
  - Mentee certification (for LIFE and PLUS students)
  - Peer mentor certification (for seniors (LIFE and PLUS students) to mentor incoming LIFE and PLUS students and high school students with ID considering post-secondary education)

- Social Security Administration grant submission
  - Analyzing Relationships between Disability, Rehabilitation and Work (ADRAW) Small Grant Program (Rumi & Shanna)
Projected Program Development

2018-2019
• Program redesign and rebuilding

2019-2020
• Proof of concept and feasibility

2020-2021
• Full Implementation

2021-2022
• Certification
  • CTP
  • FTCTP