IUPUC Task Force for Oversight of the First Year Experience

Faculty Senate Information Items and Proposal for a change to the IUPUC admissions requirements for Cautionary Conditionally Admitted Students

Information:

Students of all admission status categories will no longer be referred to Ivy Tech Community College for lower level mathematics 015. Students will be placed in courses at IUPUC based on placement testing; IUPUC will continue to offer MATH M-1.

IUPUC’s task force for oversight of the First Year Experience is evaluating and potentially redesigning what is now being called “the first year experience,” defined as the student experience from application to retention in the sophomore year. Initiatives being reviewed and/or considered are:

- June and July clusters of orientation sessions rather than one orientation session a week throughout the summer
- An end of summer spirit day for first year students (perhaps to replace the new student convocation, perhaps not)
- Separate parent/family programming at orientation so students can participate in community-building activities
- Coordination across orientation, summer success, Bridge and first year seminars for a more cohesive, thorough, and perhaps less redundant first year experience

In order to support cautionary conditionally admitted students, IUPUC will pilot a summer success mathematics program during Summer II 2014. For cautionary conditionally admitted students whose math placement scores place them in college level courses (therefore not in need of math jumpstart), there will be a mandatory requirement to participate in Bridge rather than in the math summer success programming. Both programs have set a standard of success that participants must meet. See attached documents.

Action Item: Approval of a change to the admission requirements for cautionary conditionally admitted students.

Change 1. Applications must be received by June 1 in order for cautionary conditionally admitted students to take placement tests and attend the summer success program in summer II 2014. Applicants who apply after June 1 and who are identified as cautionary conditional status will be denied admission due to inability to attend mandatory summer programming. This information will be included in all future marketing materials in an appropriate manner.

Change 2. Students admitted as cautionary conditional admits must attend a summer program (in 2014 that would be summer success or Bridge) and meet requirements for success as defined by those program coordinators. Students who choose not to attend will have their admission revoked. Students

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who do not successfully complete the summer programming will be withdrawn from classes and their admission will be revoked.

Change 3. Students participating in the summer success math program must register for a math class in Fall 2014.