Project Graduation

Sub-Committee: Data Mining and Manual Degree Auditing

Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday, November 13th 2013
In Attendance:
Dean Liguori
Kim Smokowski
Samantha Ekizian
Monica Postle

Room: Leadership Suite, L123

Update & Next Steps:

1) Initiative/Implementation
Samantha and Kim reported on progress they had made with potential eligible students:
   • Samantha has been working with all the Academic Deans to go through student evaluations that, with some intervention like waivers/substitutions, may be eligible to graduate. The Deans approved several of the interventions and these students were added to the list of candidates who would be able to graduate.
   • Kim had reached out to students who, if they were agreeable to having their curriculum year or major changed, could be eligible to graduate. For the students that she has been unable to contact via phone or email, Kim plans to follow up by sending out forms for the students to sign and return, giving their permission.

2) The problem (findings)
The list that was sent to the office of the VPSA, for review, was retrieved and updated. A discussion took place regarding these students who are missing:
   a. 1 Natural Science credit due to transferring in courses worth 3 instead of 4 credit value, causing a 1 credit deficit in the Nat. Sci requirement
   b. 1 credit Professional Concentration elective or Free elective that are majoring in AS. PS. Gen

   It was felt that clarity should be obtained and possibly policy reviewed related to criteria and authority for these particular interventions. It was decided that these groups would be organized into their respective categories and each category should be reviewed at the executive level. When Denise returns the updated list she will discuss this with VP De Jesus.

3) Assessment of initiative and implementation
Based on feedback from the recent Faculty Senate meeting, changes were made to the letters to address concerns related to the Lampitt Bill affecting transferring students. Kim proposed alternate wording for the letter. Denise will prepare new drafts and submit these to Dr. De Jesus for approvals from her and the President.

Given the concern expressed about BCC graduate students transferring to 4 year schools, and how it pertains to the Lampitt Bill, it was noted that the Transfer page on the college website should provide more information on this for the student.

http://bergen.rlcomputing.com/StudentAffairs/StudentSupportServices/CareerandWorkforceDevelopmentCenter/TransferCounseling.aspx

Kim agreed to follow up on this with the Transfer Counselors as the Lampitt Bill is not currently mentioned in the new and/or old Transfer Webpages.