

Student Development Administrators Meeting
Student Development Services Update
June 26, 2014

Uniform Residency Appeal System – The NC Community College System is currently working in collaboration with the UNC General Administration, NC State Education Assistance Authority, College Foundation, Inc., and the NC Independent Colleges to develop a unified Residency Appeals process. We are also working in collaboration with The State Residency Committee and with a team of residency experts across the UNC and Community College System.

The Uniform Residency Appeal System is being developed to comply with the Legislative directive mandating a Coordinated Residency Determination process across all NC Higher Education entities in North Carolina. (Section 113(a) of Session Law 2013-360)

Uniform Residency Timelines: Deliverables by June 30, 2014 - Included **Phase 1** –Development of Common Questions and accompanying Algorithm and State Residency training.

Phase 2 – *Deliverables due by June 30, 2015* – include technical development of the common questions and develop model for a standardized reclassification and centralized system. Full implementation of this project will be announced at a later time this year.

Student Loan and Default Management - There are currently 24 community colleges participating in the Direct Student Loan Program. Effective July 1, 2014, there will be 20 participating colleges due to four additional community colleges getting out of the loan program (i.e, Central Piedmont CC, Haywood CC, Johnston CC, and Wayne CC). All colleges participating in the program and colleges leaving the loan program are encouraged to develop default prevention plans to reduce the number of defaulted borrowers and the college's annual default rates. Colleges getting out of the loan program should monitor their delinquent borrowers to insure that the colleges default rates to do not increase.

Financial Aid Sessions (System Office Conference) - There will be several Financial Aid sessions offered at the Systemwide conference which consists of the following sessions: *Federal Update –includes a review of new federal and state regulations impacting financial aid; Return of Title IV for Programs offered through Modules and Shells* and the *Clery ACT and SAV Act*. David Bartnicki, Federal Training Officer will serve as presenter. Numerous other sessions will be offered for Student Development Administrators. Conference sessions will be posted on the conference website later in July.

- *The Federal Student Aid Conference* will be held at the World Congress Center in Atlanta, Ga – December 2 – 5, 2014. All colleges are encouraged to send key financial aid administrators to attend this conference. There is no registration fee. Federal updates and new regulations impacting federal aid will be shared with participants.

CFI Verification Project –There are currently 14 community colleges participating in the verification project for the 2014-15 academic year. These colleges include Brunswick CC, Caldwell CC & Technical Institute, Carteret CC, Craven CC, Davidson County CC, Gaston CC, Fayetteville TCC, Johnston CC, Piedmont CC, Robeson County CC, Southwestern CC, Stanly Community College, Wake TCC and Wayne CC.

Colleges participating in the verification project contract with CFI to complete the financial aid verification process. This is a totally electronic process that aids in expediting campus financial aid awards to students and improves student enrollment and services to students. Services provided by CFI include application data verification, electronic messages, requesting missing documents, document storage with college access for retrieval, online verification interviews and electronic signatures with authentication password/PIN.

CFI – Grant Interface - NCCCS has been working collaboratively with CFI to develop the Community College Grant interface for the past two years. The interface was available to college to utilize beginning April 2014. All colleges are asked to use the interface to insure timely awarding and processing of the Community College Grant and Education Lottery Scholarship. The new NCCCS – CFI Grant interface in Colleague will allow colleges to automatically package, certify, and reconcile the Community College Grant and Lottery scholarships. Instead of manually posting certifications one –by-one on the CFI grant website, or uploading spreadsheets, the financial aid office will generate certification files from the Colleague system. These certification files will be transmitted to CFI via a secure file transfer and will update the CFI system.

Student Leadership Development Program (SLDP) - The summer session of the SLDP was held at William Peace University, June 1-6 with 26 student participants representing 24 community colleges. The session was a great success. Dates for the fall and spring mini-sessions will be announced. We appreciate the colleges for sending us such wonderful students and would also like to thank the colleges that have loaned us personnel to staff the program.

- Dates for the fall mini-session will be sent out at a later date.
- Applications for 2015-16 SLDP will be sent to the colleges in January 2015.

Golden LEAF Scholars Program - The 2013-14 grant will be completed with summer funding. Colleges are expected to send a check to the System Office for all unawarded funds as soon as possible. The grant agreement for 2014-15 has been signed and information about participation will be sent to the colleges at the end of June.

NC Community College Student Development Personnel Association (N3CSDPA) - Daniel Alvarado is working with Ty Davis, N3SDPA Counselors' Division President to plan a 2014 Spring One-Day Drive-In Training Session for community college counselors. Topic of interest: "Adult Mental Health First Aid"

- Training Session has been scheduled for June 16-17, 2014 at Pitt CC

National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) - The annual application for NBCC Credit was submitted June 2014. Annual Approval notification letter should be received July/August 2014

NC Community College System Comprehensive Student Government Association-

(N4CSGA) - The newly elected 2014-15 newly elected president is *La'Quon Rogers from Pitt CC*.

- The N4CSGA Transition & Bonding Activity will take place at Randolph CC – 6/27-28
 - Includes training of newly elected board members on organizational procedures, i.e., by-laws/constitution/Robert's Rules of Order
 - The committee will begin the planning phase of the Fall N4CSGA Conference. The Board is considering hosting the conference at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Rocky Mount, North Carolina
 - N4CSGA Fall Conference tentative date has been set for 10/23 – 26, 2014

Minority Male Mentoring Program (3MP) - The 2014-15 Request for Proposals due date is June 30, 2014. Grants awarded will be contingent upon availability of funds appropriated by the General Assembly. Colleges are required to submit data request on student performance by 6/30/14.

- The 2014-15 Program Kick-Off has been tentatively scheduled for the week of 9/8/14. Location to be announced at a later date.

Triangle Latino Student Success (TLSS) Leadership Council – Daniel Alvarado currently participates on this council and attended the White House Initiative on Education Excellence for Hispanics at Durham Tech CC – 5/9. He has been invited to participate in the Lumina's Latino Student Success Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX from 8/4 – 8/6/14. This meeting is sponsored by Hispanics in Philanthropy.

Data Initiative – Student Support Team – This committee will meet at Randolph CC on 5/30/14 and 6/25/14. The committee will review, edit and define data elements as it pertains to the collection of data under the umbrella of Student Development Services.

- Committee members met, collaborated and dialoged with the NCCCS's Research Performance Management Team and other college representatives.

2014-2015 Scholarship Guide - was distributed electronically on 6/17/2014 to Financial Aid and Student Development Administrators. The guide provides colleges with information on state and NCCCS Foundation scholarship application procedures and deadlines.

Targeted Assistance/Less Than Half Time Year End Report- The annual Targeted Assistance/Less Than Half Time Reporting Template has been provided to Directors of Financial Aid. Each college is required to provide the amount and number of students awarded annually. The deadline date for this report submission is July 25, 2014. This information will be shared with the State Board in September 2014. If you have questions, please contact Monty Hickman.

CFNC CrossRoads Advisory Committee Update- The purpose of this committee is to provide feedback for Public Agenda, the research organization assisting in the redesign of the CFNC website and future strategic initiatives. Partners on the advisory committee include representatives

from NCSEAA, DPI, NCICU, UNCGA, and NCCCCS. A meeting was held on June 5, 2014 at the Center for School Leadership Development in Chapel Hill, NC. The purpose of this meeting was to brainstorm on the future goals of CFNC and to create potential questions that may be included in the Public Agenda's upcoming survey. Once the survey is completed, Public Agenda will survey CFNC stakeholders, such as high school counselors, admissions administrators, and financial aid administrators.

Conferences and Workshops

- N3CSDPA Counselors Division Summer Drive-In Mental Health Training, Pitt Community College – Charles E. Russell Building, Greenville, NC - June 17, 2014
- Student Development Administrators' Summer Drive In Workshop, Gaston College – June 26, 2014
- NCCCS IIPS Conference, Hilton Charlotte University Place - July 21 – July 23, 2014
- Carolina Association of Collegiate Registrars & Admissions Officers (CACRAO) Counselors Conference – September 9 – 12, 2014
 - Tuesday, September 9, 2014 – Greenville, NC
 - Wednesday, September 10, 2014 – Raleigh, NC
 - Thursday, September 11, 2014 – Greensboro, NC
 - Friday, September 12, 2014 – Charlotte, NC
- North Carolina Community College System Conference – Raleigh Convention Center – October 12 – 15, 2014
- Federal Student Aid Conference, World Congress Center, Atlanta, Ga – December 2 – 5, 2014

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