

AIMS2 Study Skills / Orientation Workshop (Summer 2017)

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- Focus should be STUDENT SUCCESS and shortening time to graduation
- 3 - 4 Day Workshop (Monday – Thursday)
 - In the USU
- For freshmen starting in Fall 2017
- Differentiate this workshop from the regular orientation that CSUN offers – so we have to understand what that orientation entails
- Weave a sense of building community
 - Ask them for their concerns while coming into college
 - Design exercises around these concerns
 - Should tie in with the follow up activities for F' 17
- Setting Student Goals
 - Why did you choose this major? How does this tie in with your goals?
 - Action Plans to achieve these goals
- What is a study plan? How do you stick to it?
- Time Management
- 4Cs & 5Es (5Es can be used to plan this activity) [Make sure to include Critical Thinking (Bloom's Taxonomy)]
- Team Building Skills – exercises to portray Team Building Skills.
- Ask the students to work on an assignment without prior knowledge and then give them time to read an article and then have a discussion related to that. And then see the difference in their experience
- Work Life Balance
- Learning Strategies
- Introduction to Research Skills
- Managing Your Finances
- Identifying resources, they may need – wrt classes they are having challenges, what do I do if classes are full (articulation) & also for things like time management and study rooms on campus etc.
- Talk about possible post-graduation careers for various majors
 - Tie it in with points they can relate to
- Follow up activities in Fall 2017 –including breaking up the group into sub groups and connect that sub-group to an individual faculty member

- Embed students into the sessions – interactive with peers, people who they are familiar with
- Suggestions? Follow up meetings