Northland Pioneer College: Title III/ARMSS Grant-YEAR 2

Goal:

Increase student retention and completion though ARMSS grant strategies

Strategy 1: Online Information Center (OIC) will advance the consistency of information for all NPC students by implementing one centralized web location to receive college services, sign up for events, and schedule appointments with support staff.

Strategy 1 Logic Model: Resources/Input: ARMSS Grant → Activities: 1. Select IT Consultant. 2. Hold focus groups with staff and students to discuss how the OIC will be designed. 3. IT consultant will build OIC. 4. Train IT staff and peripheral advising staff/faculty advisors/support staff on its navigation capabilities. 5. Launch OIC. → Outputs: An online information site that is accessible by all students who will receive up to date, consistent information and access to set up appointments with staff. → Outcomes: Retention of students because they have access to a resource web page that helps them navigate institutional needs for student success. → Impact: NPC will increase the retention, persistence, and completion of students over the next 5 years in accordance with the ARMSS grant goals.

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Completed Tasks	Incomplete Tasks	Responsible Staff	
Select IT Consultant: Last Call Media	All Year 2 tasks have been completed.	Tonya Thacker	
 Hold Focus Groups with staff and students 		Katie Matott	
IT consultant will build OIC		Michael Jacob	
 Train IT staff and peripheral staff on its navigation capabilities 			
Launch OIC			
 Hire IT Consultant to create student landing page and single sign-on for OIC (in 			
tandem with Anthology) (To be completed by September, 2024)			

02/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Met with Last Call Media on 01/31/2024 and the OIC is 95% complete. They are working with Marletha to complete the last portion of the OIC dealing with Financial Aid
- Met with Katie Matott on 02/01/24 to discuss next steps for Single Sign On project. I will be reaching out to Michael Jacob to set up meeting 2 with Last Call Media and possibly, Anthology contact, to determine how to proceed. Initial meeting between LCM and Michael Jacobs was held in December.

03/01/2024 Updates

- Last Call Media has completed the OIC. We are working on how to hard-launch this initiative across campus.
- LCM met with Michael Jacob and IT on 02/26 to discuss how to proceed with Single Sign-On initiative.

03/29/2024 Notes/Updates

- Interviewed with NPC marketing to promote OIC.
- Completed planning discussion with Last Call Media and Michael Jacobs's team to move forward with Single-Sign-On Project.
- LCM sent SOW of Single Sign-On Project and this has been forwarded to Legal Counsel for approval.

04/30/2024 Notes/Updates:

• SOW has been sent back to LCM for final edits.

06/03/2024 Notes/Updates:

• SOW has been signed by Dr. Mike for NPC and has been sent back to LCM

06/29/2024 Notes/Updates:

• Last Call Media has begun Single Sign-On Project

07/31/2024 Notes/Updates:

• None, still waiting to convene in final planning meeting. It has been re-scheduled to next week (August).

Strategy 2: Virtual One-Stop Centers (VOSCs) is intended to provide efficient and timely, personalized access to all college support specialists/departments (advising, financial aid, Veteran's services), especially for students at remote centers located on tribal lands.

Strategy 2 Logic Model: Resources/Input: ARMSS Grant → Activities: 1. Purchase, assembly, and delivery of VOSCs to all NPC campuses and centers. 2. Training of front office staff, financial aid staff, Veteran's staff, and advisors of how to operate the VOSCs. → Outputs: Efficient services provided to students who need to speak with campus staff from another campus/center → Outcomes: Retention of students because their needs and concerns were addressed in an efficient and meaningful manner. → Impact: NPC will increase the retention, persistence, and completion of students over the next 5 years in accordance with the ARMSS grant goals.

Completed Tasks	Incomplete Tasks	Responsible Staff
 Purchase, assemble, and deliver VOSCs to all NPC campuses and centers. 	 Train Veteran's staff (To be completed by 	Tonya Thacker
 Training of center front office staff 	August, 2024)	Joshua Rogers
Train campus front office staff	 Train advisors (Ongoing through the end of 	Michael Jacob
Train financial aid staff	Grant Year 2)	Debra Stewart
		Jonathan Lawrence
		Marletha Baloo

02/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- All VOSCs are operational at all centers, except Whiteriver. I am working with IT to get the internet reconnected to the room housing the VOSC machine. Discussions are being held to determine if the VOSCs are going to be set up at all the campuses.
- Tonya reached out to Don Crews to ask permission to reallocate remaining funds in the VOSC line to professional development for Tribal Center staff to travel to NM HEAR conference at the end of February. Approximate cost is ~\$6000

03/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Deb Stuart and her IT staff traveled to all centers and campuses to check VOSC machines to ensure they are all working.
- Tonya approved the usage of Apple IPADS purchased in Year 1 for Target X sign in for students at centers and campuses to also be used as student admission and registration IPADS. Each campus/center has 2 IPADS that were purchased under the ARMSS grant.
- All signature pads have been purchased using ARMSS funds to work in tandem with the VOSC machines to process registration forms more efficiently.

03/29/2024 Notes/Updates

Completed marketing interview to promote VOSCs.

04/30/24 Notes/Updates:

None

06/03/2024 Notes/Updates:

None

06/29/2024 Notes/Update:

None

07/31/2024 Notes/Updates:

None

Strategy 3: Pro-active, Personalized, Relational Advising will optimize the NPC students' ability to navigate college processes, promote a sense of belonging, and advance self-efficacy

Strategy 3 Logic Model: Resources/Input: ARMSS Grant → Activities: 1. Development of a PPRA manual. 2. Train front office staff to act as Enrollment Advisors. 3. Train advisors to use specific, evidence-based strategies in relational advising model. 4. Train advisors to use Target X. 5. Advisors will make personal contact with 100% of their assigned students at least once per semester. 6. Collect user experience information via surveys and adjust for improvement. → Outputs: Personalized and intentional advising to each NPC student. → Outcomes: Retention of students because advisors will develop a relationship intent on providing student success support throughout their time as a NPC student (develop/review/update degree plan, discuss academic performance, address challenges/needs, provide support, set goals and targets) → Impact: NPC will increase the retention, persistence, and completion of students over the next 5 years in accordance with the ARMSS grant goals.

Completed Tasks	Incomplete Tasks	Responsible Staff
Develop PPRA manual	Advisors will make personal contact with 100%	Tonya Thacker
 Train front office staff to act as enrollment advisors 	of their assigned students at least once per	Joshua Rogers

- Train advisors to use specific, evidence-based strategies in relational advising model
- Train advisors to use Target X
- Provide financial wellness training to financial aid staff (ongoing from year 1)
- Collect user experience information (via student surveys) and adjust for improvement
- Conduct Spring 2024 RISC survey for student belonging and engagement
- Provide relational advising and positive student engagement training for front office staff (no stipends this year) (Summer Speaker Series will start July 3 and end at the end of August, 2024)

semester (Ongoing through the end of Grant Year 2)

 Utilize funds for Year 2 Advisor Training (NACADA practices) (Training and travel have been scheduled for August, 2024) Judy Yip-Reyes Marletha Baloo

02/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- RISC survey is on track to be administered to students in March, 2024. This survey will collect information regarding user experience with Advising and VOSC machines.
- I met with Josh to determine best way to spend Year 2 Advisor Training funds. It was decided that this will be spent to send 2-3 advisors to advising conference in Year 2.
- Tonya and Josh decided to spend funds designated for providing relational advising to all front office staff through bi-monthly webinars with higher education professionals on relational advising/student success topics. This will begin in March-September.
- Marletha has identified a different financial aid training for her staff that focuses on financial training for college advisors. This switch comes at an opportune time, considering 'My Financial Wellness' company is stopping their online training. They will be reimbursing us the unused training funds.

03/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Josh has confirmed that advisors have attempted to contact 100% of their students in fall semester.
- Judy has created short surveys for students to access when they complete an appointment visit with an advisor. (Qualtrics)
- Spring 2024 RISC survey has been created and will launch in mid-March, 2024.

03/29/2024 Notes/Updates

- Launched RISC survey for Spring 2024
- Preliminary planning for front office staff and advisor training on Relational Advising. 8 speaker webinar series will be launched in late July through the end of September with student engagement experts from other institutions.

04/30/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Current RISC survey responses: 307 responses (12%)
- Working with Kristina and Josh to develop survey/data methodology to capture student advising experience
- 7/8 speakers have confirmed for the Summer Speaker Series on Student Relational Engagement (July-August)
- Waiting for permission for advisors to get training from Arbinger

06/03/2024

- Summer Speaker series has been finalized and is set to begin in July
- Josh will be making PD travel plans to attend the Arbinger training in Colorado in August

06/29/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Summer Speaker series on Relational Advising in Higher Ed will launch July 3 and end at the end of August (8 speakers)
- CVs, W9s, short bios, and photos have been collected from each speaker for marketing and payment purposes

07/31/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Summer speaker series started. So far, 4/8 speakers have presented.
- Payment processed for first 4 speakers.

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Strategy 4: First-Year Learning Community (LC) will promote a sense of belonging, purpose, and motivation among first-year and undecided NPC students to improve program persistence and completion.

Strategy 4 Logic Model: Resources/Input: ARMSS Grant → Activities: 1. Develop a LC blueprint. 2. Present blueprint to faculty. 3. Recruit faculty team to develop LC with LC Coordinator. 4. Identify Cohort 1. 5. Implement LC for Fall 2024. 6. Collect user information from surveys and adjust for improvement. → Outputs: LC cohorts of students across NPC. → Outcomes: Retention of students because LCs are an identified best practice strategy for student success. → Impact: NPC will increase the retention, persistence, and completion of students over the next 5 years in accordance with the ARMSS grant goals.

Completed Tasks	Incomplete Tasks	Responsible Staff
Develop a LC blueprint	Identify first LC cohort (Will complete August	Tonya Thacker
Recruit faculty team to develop LC with LC Coordinator	2024)	Rickey Jackson
	 Implement LC in Fall 2024 (Will launch August 2024) 	Selected faculty (TBD)
	 Collect user information (via student surveys) 	
	and adjust for improvement (Ongoing through	
	Fall 2024 and Year 3)	

02/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Rickey Jackson has about 6 interested faculty and 2 interested advisors to launch the LC for fall 2024.
- Selected faculty and advisor will begin training in late spring semester through summer semester.

03/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

Rickey has identified all faculty and advisor who will be working with first LC cohort. (Inez, Shandiin, Gary, Ryan, and Andrew)

03/29/2024 Notes/Updates:

• Faculty and advisors will be traveling to Maricopa College to observe Learning Communities. Travel arrangements will be made by faculty and advisors at their availability. LCC staff at Maricopa have provided key dates for observation. Tonya has emailed NPC faculty and advisor with budget codes for travel reimbursement after they return from their observation trip.

04/30/2024 Notes/Updates:

Rickey revamped his training budget for the summer. Waiting for Don Crews to approve.

05/14/2024 Notes/Updates:

• LCC training is scheduled for June 6-7 at LCC campus.

06/03/2024 Notes/Updates:

LCC training set for this week: hotel accommodations have been made and payment processed for trainers

06/29/2024 Notes/Updates:

- LCC training was completed first week of June
- Stipend payments and travel accommodations were processed for trainers and attendees
- LCC Coordinator has been recruiting students for the first LCC cohort

07/31/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Faculty and staff have begun travel plans for national LC conference in Chicago, IL.
- Rickey has began advising students at the LC campus to recruit students into the LC courses for Fall 2024.

Strategy 5: Native American Student Success Initiative: This initiative will help Native American NPC students, especially those who attend classes at remote centers, fell a sense of connectedness and belonging to the college, as well as a sense of self-efficacy. This will strengthen Native American cultural awareness and promote culturally-sensitive practices, curriculum, and pedagogy among college faculty, staff, and students. Also, this initiative will purposefully cultivate a sense of belonging, self-efficacy, and direction for NPC Native American students.

Strategy 5 Logic Model: Resources/Input: ARMSS Grant \rightarrow Activities: 1. Make Tohi Lab TEACH course available to all NPC faculty and staff. 2. Create an online resource library of cultural competency articles and videos. 3. Make cultural competency part of new student and new staff orientation. 4. Engage Navajo, Hopi, and White Mountain Apache

staff and faculty members in the development of a live and online cultural competency training course. 5. Coordinate a peer-to-peer mentorship program that pairs continuing NA students and alumni with incoming NA students. 6. Establish a menu of college success classes for students and their families. 7. Establish a menu of family-oriented financial literacy classes for students and their families. 8. Identify and schedule at least 1 family/community student appreciation event each semester. 9.

Coordinate with NPC SGA, PTA, and Eagle Club to engage NA students. \rightarrow Outputs: Initiatives and program support to provide a sense of belonging for the NA students across NPC. \rightarrow Outcomes: Retention of NA students because NPC will provide support throughout their NPC experience. \rightarrow Impact: NPC will increase the retention, persistence, and completion of students over the next 5 years in accordance with the ARMSS grant goals.

Completed Tasks	Incomplete Tasks	Responsible Staff
 Make TOHI TEACH course available to all NPC faculty and staff Identify and schedule at least 1 family/community student appreciation event each semester. Coordinate a peer-to-peer mentorship program that pairs continuing NA students and alumni with incoming NA students. Establish a menu of college success classes for students and their families. Establish a menu of family-oriented financial literacy classes for students and their families. Create an online resource library of cultural competency articles and videos (Will complete August 2024) Engage Navajo, Hopi, and White Mountain Apache staff and faculty members in the development of a live and online cultural competency training course. (Ongoing and will culminate with launch of Moodle Cultural Competency Course in September 2024) Develop a NPC TEACH course to be used for cultural competency training (Development and creation will occur in July 2024 and will launch to NPC staff in September 2024) 	 Make cultural competency part of new student and new staff orientation (Development of training will occur in July 2024 and new training PD Moodle course will launch September, 2024 for NPC staff) Coordinate with NPC SGA, PTA, and Eagle Club to engage NA students. (Ongoing through Year 2) 	Tonya Thacker

02/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

- I have been visiting all 3 tribal centers twice a month since October.
- All centers have identified 2-3 student engagement events for Spring 2024.
- Kayenta and Whiteriver have held spring 2024 student orientation events.
- ARMSS webpage is under construction.
- Native American student profile sheet has been created for Spring 2023 and Fall 2023.
- Staff photos have been submitted to Lea for webpage.
- Native American Student Success Logo and Newsletter template have been created, to be launched March 2024.
- NPC Native American Student Success facebook has been created, but since I do not have facebook, we are having trouble finding a way to manage it.
- I will be starting a lunch series at each tribal center in March focusing on Student Success Strategies. I wanted to start this in February, but I was waiting for approval from Betsy to award 3-credit waiver scholarships to students who complete the whole series so I can include it in my advertising.
- Friends and Family agreed to fund 3-credit waivers to up to 30 students who participate in the 5 workshop series on student success at the tribal centers.
- The student workshop series will lay the foundation for peer-to-peer mentoring that will begin in Summer 2024, offer financial aid literacy for participating students, and work in collaboration with SGA and Eagle Club.
- I requested for Katie's team to film a short video of each tribal center to be included on the ARMSS web page.

03/01/2024 Notes/Updates:

ARMSS webpage is completed.

- Native American student profile sheet has been created for Spring 2023 and Fall 2023.
- NPC Native American Student Success facebook has launched.
- Planning is completed for Spring Student Success Workshop series. Will start on March 5.
- Brett Halfpop will film footage for tribal center videos on March 5.
- Tribal center staff attended the NM HEAR conference from February 29-March 1 in Albuquerque, NM. Budget reallocation for this PD opportunity was approved by D. Crews on 02/22/2024.

03/29/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Native American Student Success Workshop series has launched. First 2 workshops have been completed.
- Preliminary planning for NPC TEACH course has been conducted. Andi DeBellis has been invited to help with the project as the instructional designed on the Moodle platform. Tonya is seeking other NPC staff to help with content development for the course.
- Marketing has completed videos for all tribal center sites to be put on the NPC website.

04/30/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Completed Native American Student Success Workshop series.
- Set dates for End of Year Student Celebration events at Whiteriver and Kayenta.
- Set dates for Summer Eaglefest Celebration events at Whiteriver and Kayenta.

05/14/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Completed End of Year Student Celebrations at Whiteriver and Kayenta
- Native Eaglefest dates are: July 1 in Whiteriver, July 3 in Kayenta, will set Hopi dates next week when I visit center
- NPC student at Whiteriver has asked for help establishing a Miss Native NPC pageant.
- Community interviews are being set up to coincide with Native Eaglefest dates.

06/03/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Community discussion event to be held at all tribal centers during week of June 10
- Eaglefest events to be held in July
- Marketing flyers have been created and posted
- Facebook announcements have been posted
- Plans are being made for staff to meet in June to begin development of TEACH course

06/29/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Eaglefest will occur on July 1, July 3, and July 10 at tribal centers. Informational booths will be set up for the community and presentations on College 101, financial aid, financial aid essay tips, and tips for NPC student parents/families will be provided.
- TEACH course will be developed July 19-21 weekend by 5 NPC staff and Tonya Thacker. This PD cultural competency course will be launched to all NPC staff/faculty in August 2024. This course will include online resource list, as required by the grant.

07/31/2024 Notes/Updates:

- Assembled TEACH course development team at Twin Arrows to create NPC teach course.
- Arranged for stipend payment for TEACH team.
- Right now, course development is 80% complete.