

HLC Quality Initiative: A Roadmap

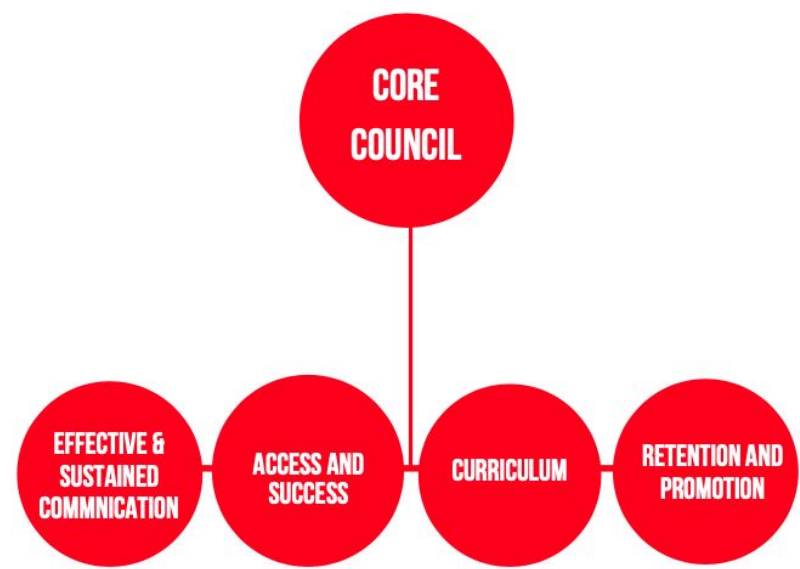
SIUe

What is the HLC Quality Initiative?

- Required by the **Higher Learning Commission** for universities on the Open Pathway
- Undertake a major Quality Initiative designed to suit present concerns or aspirations.
- Takes place between years 5 and 9 of the 10-year Open Pathway Cycle.
- A Quality Initiative project (QI) may be designed to begin and be completed during this time, or an institution may continue a project that is already in progress or achieve a key milestone in the work of a longer initiative.
- The Quality Initiative is intended to allow institutions to take risks, aim high and learn from only partial success or even failure.

Who is involved?

- The University Quality Council
- The Anti-Racism Taskforce
 - Core Council
 - 4 Subcommittees
- The QI Working Group
 - Dr. Courtney Boddie, Associate Dean of Students for Diversity & Inclusion and Director of SIUE Counseling Services
 - Dr. Geoffrey Edwards, Director, Retention and Student Success
 - Dr. Jessica Harris, Vice Chancellor for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
 - Dr. Elza Ibroscheva, Associate Provost for Accreditation, Assessment and Academic Planning
 - Dr. Matthew Schunke, Associate Professor, Coordinator, First Semester Transition



Quality Initiative Timeline

Fall 2019

UQC begins planning

1. Conducted a large scale University Survey to establish top priorities;
2. Identify top five priorities

Spring 2020

Continued refining ideas and seeking University input

1. Held Listening Sessions based on top 5 themes. Sought out ideas generated by University faculty, staff and students
2. QI working group convenes to begin drafting a proposal

Summer 2020

ARTF convenes with the “urgency of now”

1. Amidst the COVID pandemic and the racial injustice that swept the country, the Anti-Racism Task Force began drafting recommendations to move SIUE to become an anti-racist University

Fall 2020

ARTF and QI Working group

1. The ARTF recommendations from the four subcommittees are shared with the University
2. QI working group continues work using the action steps and the reports of the Subcommittees

Spring 2021

Feedback from University stakeholders and community

1. Finalize a draft of QI proposal
2. Share with ARTF, UQC and the University food feedback

Top 5 Priority Themes

Survey Fall 19 | Listening Session SP 20

1

IMPROVING GRADUATION
AND RETENTION RATES

2

ENROLLMENT AS A
UNIVERSITY-WIDE PRIORITY

3

MENTORING STUDENTS

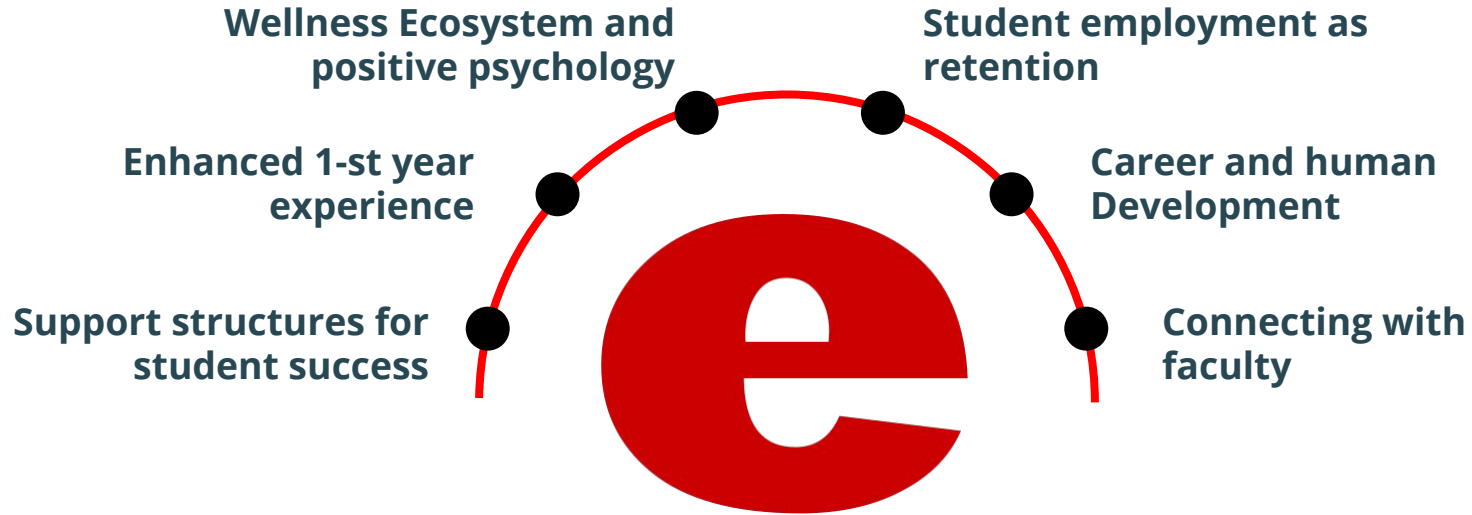
MENTAL HEALTH

4

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

5

Ideas Generated following the Priority Themes (SP 20)



QI proposed conceptual framework

