#### **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

#### Mission Statement

The mission of University College is to provide effective programs and services that assist students in making successful transitions into Illinois State University, in achieving their educational goals, and in realizing their academic potential in the first year and beyond.

University Studies Assessment Plan

<u>Goal I:</u> Improve the opportunities for graduation for those Illinois State University students who are in good academic standing, but cannot gain admission to or progress in their desired major.

#### Outcomes

- 1. Campus advisors will be aware of the University Studies major as a possible option for students in the circumstances listed above.
- 2. Students for whom the University Studies major is an option will be made aware of the major by their assigned advisor.
- 3. Appropriate academic plans will be developed by and with individual students applying to the major that provide them the opportunity to earn a timely graduation.

## Strategies for Gathering Evidence

- 1. The University Studies advisor will regularly update campus advisors as to the details of the University Studies major and will gather feedback from those advisors as to the current campus needs for the major.
- 2. The University Studies advisor will track the enrollment and graduation trends for students enrolled in the University Studies major.
- 3. Survey of advisors as to their knowledge of the University Studies major.
- 4. Targeted advising of undeclared students who are approaching or have passed the 75 hour mark in making them aware of the University Studies major.
- 5. Longitudinal data gathered about the time to degree and graduation of University Studies majors.

<u>Goal II:</u> Provide for students in the University Studies major opportunities for pathways to meet their career goals.

#### Outcomes

- 1. University Studies graduates will know about career opportunities through collaboration with the Career Center.
- 2. University Studies graduates will have career and post-baccalaureate educational opportunities.

3. Work with designated Career Center liaison for University College in developing services for University Studies majors.

### Strategies for Gathering Evidence

1. University Studies graduates will be tracked through the Alumni Survey regarding their career and post-secondary educational success.

<u>Goal III:</u> Improve opportunities for realistic and meaningful University Studies plans of studies through the accessibility to 300-level courses and practical opportunities.

#### Outcome

- 1. Enhance collaboration with school/college/department advisors and administrators with the goal of securing more opportunities for enrollment in 300-level courses.
- 2. Work toward more formal agreements with departments regarding opportunities for University Studies majors to take traditionally major-blocked courses.

## Strategy for Gathering Evidence

- 1. Meetings between the Director of University College and college/school/department administrators in paving the way for more agreements regarding space in 300-level courses when needed for a University Studies Plan of Study.
- 2. The University Studies advisor will continue to build relationships with college/school/department advisors.
- 3. Work with designated Career Center liaison for University College in developing practical opportunities, such as internships, for University Studies majors

# **University Studies Assessment Timeline**

Fall 2012	Spring 2013	Summer 2013	Fall 2013	Spring 2014
Ensure University	Ensure	Compile	Ensure	Ensure
College advisors	University	graduation and	University	University
have appropriate	College advisors	longitudinal data	College advisors	College advisors
information	have appropriate	on University	have appropriate	have appropriate
regarding	information	Studies majors.	information	information
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College Director's	Awareness		Compile	Awareness
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schools and	advisors		longitudinal data	advisors
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Meet with Career	graduation and			graduation and
Center liaison.	longitudinal data		Meet with	longitudinal data
	on University		Career Center	on University
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