The Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) strives to improve student retention and success. Therefore, the efforts to continue to streamline and improve the program services is a major focus for the SSSP Specialists as they continue their journey to assist students in achieving their path to success.

Executing the goals of both the SSSP and Equity Plans, the new Pathways Centers on each campus opened for the first time during the fall semester. These centers offer core services that include orientation, assessment services, and educational plans offered on a drop-in basis and in a workshop-style atmosphere. However, the Pathways Centers offer many other services to make sure students complete an application, register for classes, have questions answered or to simply connect with a SSSP Specialist.

The West Pathways Center has been located in Yosemite 125. The East Pathways Center is located in Student Services Building 128
Monday - Thursday: 8:00am-7:00pm
Friday: 8:00am-5pm

*New West Campus Pathways Center opening in Yosemite 118 by end of March 2017

The Pathway Centers served over 2,500 students over the course of the Fall 2016 semester. Across both semesters, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 to date, the centers have served close to 4,000 students. This includes student drop-ins and appointments for both counselors and Student Success Specialists.

Here is a snapshot of the services students utilized at the Pathway Centers on East and West Campus for the Spring 17 semester:

The total number of students that have had contact with the Specialists from the start of the Fall 2016 semester is 7,968. The unduplicated count is 5,287 for the same time frame. 3,860 of those contacts have resulted in sessions that fit into the Inside Track Coaching Model.

The first time in college class (COLSK 100) will begin on June 12 for the summer semester. We are offering many options for the fall semester. We are offering classes on T, TTh, W, Th, and F. See the class schedule for more details.

Umoja is an African-American program that serves ALL Students starting Fall 2017.
SSSP New Hires
Please join us in welcoming the newest members of our team. Both, Amanda and Whitney, started with us officially on Monday, March 13th, 2017.

Amanda Coffman, SSSP Student Service Representative
Amanda is a Stanislaus County native and an alumni of MJC. After MJC, she continued her education at CSU-Stanislaus with a 4-year degree. She comes to us having extensive experience working with children and families, and in our community. She is excited to be serving the students here at MJC.

Whitney Wood, SSSP Student Service Representative
Whitney was born and raised in Modesto, and brings with her over ten years of customer service experience. She is excited about her new role as a Student Services Representative and is looking forward to continuing to serve her community.

Male Collaborative Effort
The Male Collaborative was designed to partner with Men of Color in reaching their academic goals. They kicked off this effort in July 2016 when they had their first Male Collaborative Meeting. They had 42 Male students that participated in the first meeting, and they have worked with them through the Fall semester. At the end of the Fall semester, 63% of the initial 42 students had a Comprehensive Education Plan. At this moment they have over 135 men that they service in various capacities. They have:

• Set up various workshops networking, financial literacy, volunteering, "Understanding My Why"
• Taken students on guided campus tours of various universities in Northern California
• Linked students with counselors that assisted them in building their educational plans
• Assisted students in receiving the maximum amount of financial assistance through FAFSA and CA Dream Act applications as well as scholarship information
• Initiated contacts with companies in the community for volunteer opportunities and jobs
• Given students guidance and encouragement when they share their challenges in attending MJC
• Shared information for CA Dream Act application and resources/support for completing a DACA application

They are eagerly looking forward to setting up a mentoring component and linking with students to further student development and engagement. For more information, please call Glen Stovall 575-7756 or Ulises Ochoa 575-7775.

UPCOMING SSSP ACTIVITIES

SSSP Team Values
Centered in the mission of Modesto Junior College and the goals of the SSSP Plan, the team developed a value statement as part an effort to continually improve.

"The Student Success Specialists are committed to excellence by remaining student-focused while utilizing innovative practices that empowers, motivates, and coaches students towards educational goals. We are dedicated to continuous growth and improvement. We strive to identify and eliminate structural barriers. We are committed to student success!"

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