

Student Success Summit: How Will I Know?

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Today's session

- ▶ Can you state with evidence how your student success metrics improved or not?
- ▶ Are the data being examined the “right” data for your institution to make decisions?

Lots of energy – high expectations

- ▶ Put so much energy into the initiatives that we expect big gains
 - Prompts low morale
 - Questions ability to make a difference
- ▶ Evidence for your student success metrics
 - Seem to always focus on the big ones – retention and graduation
 - There are so many things involved in moving those metrics.
 - Causal relationships are always difficult

Institutional Assessment

- ▶ Where there multiple projects/initiative tried at the same time?
 - ▶ What are the aspects that should change as a result of this/these intervention(s):
 - ▶ Where you sure the project/initiative could be scaled-up and sustained before you began?
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The “right” data

- ▶ Factors that influence student success can be measured and then a case made for cumulative effect.
 - Student engagement
 - Intensity of effort made by student (times using tutoring)
 - Institutional commitment
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Communities of Practice

- ▶ Who else has similar concerns?
 - ▶ What questions should I be asking those who have tried something before me?
 - ▶ How can we learn from others before creating more improvisation?
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