

COLD Student Success Committee Report
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Current Activity:

The committee has successfully completed the [CSU Certificate Program in Student Success Analytics](#). To complete the program, the team met every other Friday for two hours. The first hour was to participate in the collective programming, and the second hour was to meet as a team to debrief and plan. Minutes from our team meetings are now posted [here](#).

The team's data action project—to compare DFW rates for all course sections using zero/low-cost course materials against the DFW rates for all course sections with traditional textbooks—drew a lot of positive interest from the program cohort. Preliminary data collection showed a positive impact of low or no course material costs on DFW rates and included data from Los Angeles, Northridge, Fullerton, Channel Islands, and San Marcos. Laura Wimberly, who has spearheaded the data analysis on this project will present this project to COLD during the June 10 agenda. Several committee members are planning to pursue a peer-reviewed journal article from this study. Jen will also write a briefing email that can be shared with and forwarded by the Library Deans and Leslie Kennedy at the Chancellor's Office. This will include the project attachment with initial results.

Wrapping up the Year:

Student Success Study: In March, COLD “publish” the Student Success Study in CSU ScholarWorks with slight revisions to revise SDSU's contributing role (IL data only) and add all campus contributors. The study has now been uploaded to ScholarWorks [here](#). Our contract with consultant, Dr. Lili Luo, is completed, and she has been very good to work with.

Membership Terms: Because the committee started its work late in the year (due the chair retirement and transition), two members would like to extend their initial terms. Jen and Pat will figure out our call for membership for 2021-22 to make sure we still have committee members with alternating terms. We will most likely be looking for two new members. Scott Walter will be joining the committee as Vice Chair.

Documentation: Before the end of June, Jen will complete documenting the committee's 2020-21 activity on Confluence.

Possible Committee Work for 2021-22: At our last meeting on June 1, the Committee discussed ideas for future work that have come up over the year. The committee would like to plan some professional development opportunities offered to all CSU Librarians, with the theme of curriculum mapping being of strong interest to the group. Further dissemination of the course material/DFW study results within the System could take the form of a toolkit compiled of the results of the study along with campus best practices (several committee members shared strategies for OER adoption among new faculty, etc.). The committee will pick up discussion of these topics during its first meeting of 2021-22.