What is the Quality Focused Essay (QFE)?

- Opportunity to identify and implement innovative projects designed to impact student learning and achievement
QFE Requirements

- Discussion of student learning/achievement data that led to the area(s) identified
- Anticipated impact of the project on student learning/achievement
- Anticipated measurable outcomes
- Description of each project that includes specific activities to be completed, responsible parties, resources needed, and a timeline for completion
Process to identify the QFE projects

ISER Team Training
• May 20

Town Hall #1
• October 12

Town Hall #2
• November 2

ISER Team Leads
• November 15

MIP-C
• November 18
QFE Process: Focused Topics

Enrollment | Retention | Transfer Level
English/Math | Completion

Enrollment | Retention

Retention
QFE Topic: Retention

- Students need to know:
  - There is support to identify their goals
  - What is needed to reach their goals

- Faculty and Classified Professionals want to identify students:
  - Who need additional supports
  - To provide supports when needed
QFE Topic: Retention

- Need for multiple messaging and communication tracks, initial and ongoing
- Defined infrastructure—not all solutions lie with instruction or student services
- Engage in longer term strategic planning
QFE Topic: Retention

- Engage in longer term strategic planning
  - Enrollment management
  - Retention (supports) plan
  - Communication plan (throughout the student journey)
QFE Topic: Retention

- SVE: Issue 9, Goal 1
  - The college has a *coordinated plan* with a set of successful, culturally relevant interventions in play that retains students through *three important milestones* in a term:
    - Course registration through to census,
    - From census through the end of the quarter with successful course completion, and
    - Successful enrollment in the subsequent term.
QFE: Next Steps

- Identification of activity projects (2-3)
- Draft QFE section (winter)
- QFE included in ISER draft (spring)
- College feedback by June