



South Carolina

NAASS Member: University of South Carolina

Initiative Title: Ensuring Seniors Graduate On-Time in a Pandemic

Award Category: Department Collaborations

Description:

The Office of On Your Time Initiatives (OYT) at the University of South Carolina had a unique role in the collaborative administrative effort of shifting to online in the spring and summer. OYT supports a variety of courses and programs that help students get ahead, catch up or stay on track for degree completion. Because of this position on campus, ensuring students' courses would be able to transfer to an online format to stay on track for graduation was crucial. One dilemma in particular presented itself in which many one-credit hour courses were not able to make the shift to online.

OYT was instrumental in problem-solving by collaborating with other campus partners: the Office of the Provost, the University Advising Center, the Registrar's office and others. This was especially necessary for seniors, ensuring they would still graduate. Using OYT's Data Services Coordinator, students in these one hour courses were identified, a new course option was created, instructors were placed and students were relocated to the new course. OYT's unique mission in forming solid partnerships with other offices on campus was key in carrying out this initiative.

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