## Southern State Team Participates in Winter Student Success Leadership Institute

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Work has also been done with Marketing and Advising on outreach efforts in preparation for the Law Enforcement/BPOTA move to Central Campus for the fall semester.

Virtual campus visits are now live on the website. Also, 11 in-person campus visits were conducted at the Central Campus and 4 at the Mt. Orab Campus.

# Financial Aid

## FY2019 Draft Cohort Default Rate

Our 2019 draft Cohort Default Rate (CDR) is 4.5. Comparing this rate to prior years, we are trending downward which is the right direction. There is caution associated with the 2019 draft CDR due to recent changes to student loan repayment.

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Key points for the 2019 CDR:

- The 2019 cohort represents borrowers who went into repayment in 2019 and defaulted in 2019, 2020 or 2021. The student loan payment pause started in March 2020 when student loan payments were suspended, collection on defaulted loans suspended and interest rates set to 0%. If you consider that student loans generally go into repayment 6 months after a student was enrolled at least 6 credit hours, there is a substantial number of student loan borrowers from 2019 that have never entered repayment if they continued enrollment up through September 2019.
- 2. The borrower relief is due to end and student loan payments resume May 2022. The decrease in enrollment over the course of the pandemic, combined with the resumption of student loan repayment will likely produce rising cohort default rates starting with the 2020 cohort.
- SSCC has continued a conservative packaging philosophy that does not automatically package student loans and requires that a student who does request loans must confirm their acceptance to define their intent to borrow funds needed to pay tuition and fees or to borrow funds for other expenses.
- 4. SSCC has contracted the services of StudentConnections to reach out to our student loan borrowers, including former students, to discuss the resumption of student loan

payments as well as guide students new to repayment toward successful loan repayment plans. Through February 25, StudentConnections staff had made 3,000 contacts to student loan borrowers (approximately 1,100 individual borrowers) who would be expected to resume repayment in May. These contacts could have been via phone, email and/or texts. Branding is completed with the assistance of marketing. The website is active and updated and can be found under Student Activities: <u>https://www.sscc.edu/students/patriot-campus-ministries.shtml</u>

The club has a weekly student-led Bible study on Tuesdays at 1:00pm with lunch provided.

PCM will collaborate with PTK on the Hope Project which includes activities that foster hope in our students and staff.

On March 14-17, the Hope Project will launch with MyIntent bracelet making, the Upscale Bake Sale, and coffee truck will be the first outreach activity and will serve as a fundraiser to support the ministry.

#### Phi Theta Kappa

Applications are being accepted for all 2022-2023 officer positions.

The Ohio Region Hallmark Awards Conference will be held March 4-5 at Sinclair Community College. Three advisors, three officers, two members, and two guests from Wilmington College will be attending.

Catalyst 2022 will be held on April 7-9 in Aurora, CO and will be attended by one advisor and two officers.

College Project

• The chapter will meet with SSCC administration to provide an outcome summary of the 2021 Health Ambassador college project and proposals for the 2022 college project.

• The 2022 proposal for The Hope Project was enthusiastically received and mutually agreed upon that the chapter move forward with implementation.

#### **Attendance Policy**

To ensure the commitment to student success, attendance is required in all courses regardless of course modality *(in-person, online, or hybrid)*. Attendance is physical attendance within a classroom or participation in an academic-related activity. Logging into MyCanvas does not constitute attendance.