

Strategies for First-Year Postsecondary Success

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TOP TEN Questions To Think About As You Plan GU Services Throughout The First Year Of College



- 1.** While still in HS, do your Gear Up seniors and their parents know what services will be provided for them during the summer and once they get to campus?
- 2.** Will students know how to access GU services when they start attending classes?
- 3.** Do you have a communication plan built in so you can easily communicate with your students?



- 4.** Do you have the resources and staffing to provide the academic, social, and financial support that your students will benefit from?

- 5.** How will you serve students attending out of state colleges who want to stay in touch and receive services?

- 6.** Have you identified the offices and individuals at the campuses who you will need to work with?



- 7.** Do your college partners know what you need from them? (FEPPRA sign off, space on campus, access to students and faculty, etc.)
- 8.** Are you making reasonable requests of these individuals and campuses?
- 9.** Does your timeline/action plan/budget for First Year services realistically reflect the work that needs to be done BEFORE students arrive on campus as well as during their first year?



10. Do you have a plan/process for collecting and analyzing outcome data? Do you know what you want to measure besides sophomore enrollment? Have you developed benchmarks and intervention strategies?

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