

Area of Focus Discussion Template

INNOVATIVE SCHEDULING

Innovative Scheduling embraces mapping, scheduling, and student outcomes. This focus includes a review of modalities, times, days, and sequence of courses. It supports areas of interest. It is based on student success, retention, and completion/graduation data. Sample activities include the following:

Possible topics:

- Review scheduling matrices – program map alignment, successes, and challenges.
- Collaborate with guided pathways success teams to assess scheduling conflicts and bottlenecks within and across disciplines that impact student completion.
- Assess mix of teaching modalities – mornings-afternoons-evenings; weekends; face-to-face, hybrid, and distance learning. NOTE: Hybrid is the combined use of various teaching modalities.
- Address scheduling conflicts or dependencies across disciplines or general education areas.
- Student access – cultivate majors, support cohorts and interdisciplinary connections.
- Review units and time to course and program completion.

1. What data were analyzed and what were the main conclusions?
2. Based on the data analysis and looking through a lens of equity, what do you perceive as *challenges* with student success or access in your area of focus?
3. What are your plans for change or *innovation*?
4. How will you *measure* the results of your plans to determine if they are successful?

Based on the narratives for the prompts above, what are some program planning initiatives and resources needed for the upcoming years? Use the tables below to fill in **NEW** resources and planning initiatives. ***This section is only used if there are new planning initiatives and resources requested.***

Example:

	Definition	Sample
Mission	The values and philosophy of the program, a vision of what the program is supposed to do.	The mission of the English program is to develop students' reading and writing skills by providing opportunities for critical thinking, research, and analysis. Moreover, the program affirms its promotion of equity and diversity among the community by providing opportunities and outreach to eradicate illiteracy.
Goals	The general aims or purposes of the program and its curriculum. Effective goals are broadly stated, meaningful, achievable and can lead to assessable outcomes.	Increase literacy and writing competency within the students and college community.
Program planning initiatives	Program planning initiatives are specific activities that a program would need to complete in order to achieve goals and mission.	Develop community literacy program for historically underrepresented populations.
Actions/Resource Request	These are the specific actions/resources needed to complete a planning initiative.	Gather volunteers from students and teachers to tutor at community center. Budget: \$500 for supplies.

The tables below are to create objectives/planning initiatives that come from the discussion and narrative above.

Sample:

New Program Planning Initiative	
Title:	<i>(Short description of the planning initiative)</i> Telescope night
Planning years:	<i>(The academic years this will take to complete)</i> 2021-22 to 2024-25
Description:	
<p><i>(A more detailed version of initiative. Please include a description of the initiative, why it is needed, who will be responsible, and actions that need to happen, so it is completed.)</i></p> <p>The success levels of our courses have indicated that students need to have a hands-on experience with finding and pinpointing important celestial objects. Having a telescope night would allow students to learn how to align and find objects.</p>	

Resources:

Priority Level: Low Medium **High**

Resource Type: **Equipment** Staff Faculty Supplies and Materials

Quantity: 1

Per Item Price: \$69.99

Price with taxes/shipping, etc.: \$76.00

Description:

Telescopes for students to use during the telescope nights. It is a 70mm telescopes for Adults Astronomy & Kids & Beginners, 300mm Portable Refractor Travel Telescope (15X-150X) with A Smartphone Adapter& A Wireless Remote

https://www.amazon.com/ToyerBee-Telescope-Telescopes-Professional-Smartphone/dp/B095XQVTNM/ref=sr_1_4?crd=256FVSAQ5EU0P&keywords=telescope&qid=1667944660&sprefix=telescop%2Caps%2C160&sr=8-4&ufe=app_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840

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Planning years: _____

Description:

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Priority Level: Low Medium High
Resource Type: Equipment Staff Faculty Supplies and Materials
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Per Item Price: **Price with taxes/shipping, etc:**
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