

The Key to High School & College Completion

How to Launch a Freshman Transition Course that Helps Students Build the Intrinsic Motivation to Succeed

One-day Workshop Agenda

8:00 AM

Check in and review workshop materials

8:30 AM

During the morning session, you'll learn:

- What research tells us about college completion
- Why the freshman year is a critical time for impacting college or post-secondary completion rates and, ultimately, life satisfaction
- How the Freshman Transition Initiative from George Washington University can be implemented as a school-wide model at your college or high school campus
- About a course that meets rigorous academic and readiness standards (for high schools) and the mandates for first-year **informed** Education Plans (for colleges)
- Why the *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*™ Initiative is such a powerful, replicable college/high school collaboration model with *optional* dual credit strategies
- How the *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*™ model ensures students are college and career ready
- The benefits associated with every student in your school having an online 10-year Plan
- How the *Career Choices* series can be used in a variety of course structures (traditional, hybrid, or distance learning) to address myriad issues for various student populations

Using the *Career Choices* series curriculum and My10yearPlan.com®, you'll learn:

- What classroom-based comprehensive guidance is and why it is a successful and cost-efficient strategy for impacting post-secondary completion
- Tips for successful implementation of the *Career Choices* series curriculum as a course
- Proven methods for helping all students create a meaningful online 10-year career and education plan
- Strategies for using the online planning tool My10yearPlan.com® throughout high school and/or college for advisory functions and academic coaching
- The role technology can play in developing student education plans and individual learning plans
- Best Practices from schools experiencing success with this process to help you build a vision of what's possible

12:30 PM

Lunch break (lunch provided)

1:00 PM

We've saved the best for last! During the afternoon session:

- Techniques and strategies will be shared for a hybrid course that integrates both technology and academics
- Key elements of a successful Freshman Transition course will be discussed, including the critical question of teacher selection
- A variety of online instructional resources will be introduced so instructors can direct their own professional development and launch a dynamic course from the first day of class
- Information will be provided on funding models that have been used successfully by schools
- Q and A, we'll have a raffle, and feedback forms will be completed
- In addition to dessert, we'll share the password so you can get easy access to a plethora or workshop resources, videos, and links

3:00 PM

Workshop concludes