### STUDENT SERVICES PROGRAM REVIEW WORKSHEET

Student Services Area: Student Support Services

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Academic Year: 2016-2017

#### I. Student Services Area Overview

The Area Overview should reflect the consensus of the staff within the student services area. It is meant to provide a broad understanding of the area, current trends related to the area's mission, and how the area serves to meet the overall mission or goals Norco College. The following reflects the general guidelines followed by the service areas in completing their area overview. (I.1.-I.6. contains brief, succinct narrative for each area; should be about 2 pages in length)

#### 1. Mission Statement

Student Support Services programs guide and prepare students from traditionally from low-income, first-generation background, students with disabilities and veterans with disabilities through the academic pipeline from community college to four-year universities.

### 2. Philosophy Statement

Student Support Services provides targeted services designed to increase students' knowledge and skills necessary to improve academic performance and increase semester to semester, degree completion, and transfer rates.

#### 3. Summary

- Educate college students about associate degree requirements, the transfer process, and transfer requirements.
- Provide opportunities for participants to visit and experience four-year university environments.
- Identify opportunities for participants to explore career options.
- Offer personal development activities designed to prepare students to successfully transition from community college to four-year institutions.

• Provide students direct assistance with the admission application process, financial aid application process and enrollment in postsecondary education.

#### 4. Strengths

Note: Briefly describe about five of your area's greatest strengths. As applicable, strengths substantiated through data are required..

- 1) 86 percent of continuing students persisted in Student Support Services from 2015-2016 academic year to the 2016-17 academic year
- 2) 87 percent of SSS participants maintained a good academic standing during the 2015-2016 academic year.
- 3) 53 percent of SSS participants obtained an Associate's Degree or Certificate
- 4) 50 percent of SSS participants obtained an Associate's Degree or Certificate and transfer.

#### 5. Students Served

The Student Support Services Program is serving 160 Norco College students during the 2016-2017 Academic Year. Our students met at least one of the three criteria:

- 1. low-income (per established federal guidelines)
- 2. first generation, potential college students (self-reported)

2/3 of participants are both low-income and first generation

# **II. Assessing Outcomes**

## 1.A. Report on 2015-2016 Assessment Plan and Objectives for Student Services Area: SSS

## **Objectives:**

- Increase the persistence rate of participants from one year to the next.
- Improve participants' academic performance
- Increase participants' graduation and transfer rates.
- Increase their knowledge about personal finances and debt management.

	Objective	Student Learning	Relevance of	Assessment Criteria	Assessment	Completion	Improvement	Assessment Status
		Outcome (SLO)	Objective to	(Specify Target	Measure	(or anticipated	Recommendations	A) Continued/
		or	Norco College	Performance Level)		completion)/	(next step)	modified
		Service Area	Mission	,		Findings		B)Moved to Strengths
		Outcome (SAO)						C) Discontinued
		,						(please state why)
	Increase the	SLO: Previous year	2.Provide support and	70% of all prior year	-Datatel	Completion	Ensure we have 100	Student records were
1.	persistence rate	SSS participants that	encouragement	participants that didn't	-Individual	Goal was met.	participants that we are	checked at the beginning of
	of participants	didn't graduate or	through (a) innovative	graduate or transfer will	contact		funded to serve.	each semester to ensure
	from one year	transfer will return to	approach to learning.	continue to participate in	logs	86% of the 2014-	D : 11 :: .	they were registered for
	to the next.	Norco College in fall 2011 and continue		the program during the	-Blumen software	15 continuing	Require all participants to meet with the SSS	classes.
		participating in the		2012-13 academic year	database	participants persisted in the	Counselor twice per	When students were not
		SSS throughout the			uatabase	program during the	semester	enrolled we contacted
		academic year.				2015-2016	schiester	students to assist them in
		deadenne year.				academic year.	Require all participants	ensuring they registered the
						academie year.	to complete Guidance	following semester.
							45, 47, or 48 courses	
								Students met with
								counselors and educational
								advisor during registration
								period to ensure that
								students who were not
								enrolled would continue
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2	Improve	SLO: Participants	1.Servoces tp	70% of participants served	-Datatel	Completion	Ensure we have 100	In 2012-2013 we
2.	participants'	served by the SSS	stidemts. Community	by SSS will achieve good	-Progress	Goal was met.	participants that we are	implemented a strategy of
	academic performance	program will earn the necessary grades to	and workforce by (a) providing educational	academic standing by earning and maintaining a	reports -Tutorial	87% of SSS	funded to serve.	prevention to ensure more of our students met the
	performance	stay in good academic	opportunities.	minimum grade point	services	students achieved	Implement intrusive	GPA and up to now it has
		stay in good academic standing throughout	opportunities.	average of 2.00.	SELVICES	and maintained a	counseling techniques	helped ensure we meet our
		standing unoughout	l	average 01 2.00.		and manifamed a	counseling techniques	neiped clisure we meet our

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		the academic year.				minimum of a 2.0 GPA.	to prevent students from getting into academic	goal.
							probation	The SSS staff began to run
								students final grades at the
								end of each semester and if
								a student had fallen below a 2.0 GPA they are being
								called to meet with the SSS
								counselor for an
								intervention meeting.
	Increase	SLO: Participants in	1.Service to students,	20% of the 2011	-Letters of	Completion	Ensure we have 100	We have continue to offer
3.	participants'	the SSS program will	community, and	participant cohort will	Admission	Goal was met	participants that we are	transfer application
	graduation and	complete the necessary	workforce by (a)	complete a degree or	National	53% of the 2012-	funded to serve.	workshops.
	transfer rates.	transfer and/or	providing educational	certificate and be admitted	Student	2013 Cohort	0.66 1 6	337 1
		associates degree requirements within 4	opportunities.	as a transfer student to a four year institution by fall	Clearinghouse -Matriculation	received an Associate's Degree	Offer transfer application workshops	We have partnered with the Transfer Center and
		years of entering SSS		of 2015.	Office	and or Certificate	just for SSS	referred all of our SSS
		years of entering sss		01 2013.	-Datatel	and of Certificate	participants.	students to attend the hands
						50% of the 2012-		on workshops being
						2013 who received	Seek the assistance	offered.
						an Associate's	from representatives	
						Degree and/or	from 4-year colleges	
						Certificate transferred to a	and universities.	
						four year		
						university for fall		
						2015.		
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4.	Increase their knowledge	SLO: Newly added SSS participants will	2.Provide support and encouragement	65% of newly admitted SSS participants who	-Financial Literacy 101	Completion Goal was met.	Ensure we have 100 participants that we are	Students were given time during our SSS orientation
7.	about personal	complete a 90-minute	through (a)	complete the 90-minute	and 200 web-	Goal was flict.	funded to serve.	to complete the Financial
	finances and	web based course	Innovative approach	on-line financial literacy	based post-	65% of newly SSS	1011000 10 101 101	Literacy online course.
	debt	designed to improve	to learning; (b)	courses will earn a score	course exam	newly admitted	Incorporate FL101 in	They were also given the
	management.	participants' financial	application of	of 75% or better in the	results.	participants	the SSS Orientation to	opportunity to come into
		literacy and personal	emerging	post-course proficiency		completed the	ensure that all new	the SSS office and use our
		finances.	technologies.	exam.		online financial	students complete the	computer lab to complete
						literacy and scored a 75% on the post-	course.	the online workshop.
						course proficiency		
						exam.		

## II.1.B. Program Modifications for 2015-2016 Data Assessment ("Closing the Loop")

Note: For 2014-2015 outcomes assessments you are continuing or modifying in your 2015-2016 Assessment plan, please provide a brief description on how your area used outcome data from last year to drive programmatic modifications to improve services to students.

Outcome	Evidenced and detailed
	(Describe how you used outcome data for programmatic modifications)
Four assessments were completed in 2015-2016, one SAO and two SLO's. The SSS Staff reviewed one of SLO #2 that states that 70% of SSS participants served by our grant will achieve good academic standing by earning and maintaining a minimum of a 2.0 GPA	Last year, 2015-2016, % of our participants met the objective; however, this was a great opportunity to make programmatic changes. For the academic year of 2013-2014 we implemented a strategy of prevention to ensure more of our students met the GPA criteria by semester and not at the end of the academic year. In 2015-2016, 79% of our SSS students achieved or maintained a 2.0 GPA.
In 2015-2016, we continued to run students final grades at the end of each semester and if a student has fallen below a 2.0 GPA they are being called to meet with the SSS counselor for an intervention meeting.	We want to ensure that our participants have an intervention meeting to able to better service them so they can achieve the objective of transferring within four years
During winter 2017 the SSS/SSS-RISE counselors held a Re-connect Workshop for students who were not enrolled during the fall 2015 semester.	Students who attended the workshop were assisted with the admissions process and scheduled for a follow up meeting with the counselor for personal and academic counseling.
	Counselors titled the workshop "Educational Goals and Strategies to Achieve Success". The topics covered were Communication (how to avoid dropping out & improving communication with your counselor), Getting Organized, Time Management (study time/class schedule/using a planner), Plan-B (changing your major/long and short term academic goals), Motivation (persistence), Program Guidelines and Requirements (SSS grant services/active participation in the program)

#### II.2.A. 2016-2017 Assessment Plan for Student Services Area: SSS

# **Objectives:**

- Increase the persistence rate of participants from one year to the next.
- Improve participants' academic performance
- Increase participants' graduation and transfer rates.
- Increase their knowledge about personal finances and debt management.

\*SSS program is currently assessing the outcomes for our Objectives and will be completed by the end of August 2014.

1.	Objective  Increase SSS participant's awareness of services and resources.	Student Learning Outcome (SLO) or Service Area Outcome (SAO) SLO: Students will demonstrate understanding of program responsibilities as a result of attending the SSS RISE Orientation (Direct).	Relevance of objective to Norco College Mission*  2.Provide support and encouragement through (a) innovative approach to learning.	Assessment Criteria (Specify Target Performance Level)  85% of the new SSS students will demonstrate understanding of the program requirements.	Assessment Measure (Measurement tool)  Utilize a pre/post questionnaire at the orientation to gauge understanding.	Completion (or anticipate completion)/ Findings**  Completion: Fall 2016 Spring 2017  Findings: Students given pre/post to determine understanding. Avg. Pre-60%	Improvement Recommendations (next step)*  We will be revising our pre/post -test to ensure that we are including first year college expectations and counseling components.
2.	Increase SSS participants' success, graduation and transfer rates	SLO: SSS students will meet program requirements and demonstrate at higher success rates compared to the general student population. (Success Measure)	3 Provides foundation skills and pathways to transfer	SSS students meeting program compliance will achieve higher success rates compared to the overall college student population.	Use Institutional Research data to compare success rates of the general student's population to the success of SSS student for Fall 2016.	Avg. Pie-00/0  Avg. Post- 92%  Completion: June 8, 2017  Findings: -SSS Avg. Success for Fall 2016: -General Norco Avg. Success Fall 2016:	*Data for 2016-2017 has not been made available.
3.	Increase the persistence rate of SSS participants from one year to the next.	SLO: SSS students will demonstrate higher term-to-term persistence compared to the general students population. (Success	1. Service to students, community, and workforce by (a) providing educational opportunities.	SSS student will persist at a higher rate than the general student population.	Use Institutional Research date to compare term-to-term persistence	Completion: Spring 2017 Findings: -General Norco 49.4% -SSS 54.5%	The SSS RISE staff will use Norco College's Database each term to capture students who have dropped to invite them to an

		Measure)			rates of the general student population to SSS students for SP 16 to F16.		intervention workshop.
4.	Increase their knowledge about the personal finances and debt management.	SLO: Newly added SSS participants will complete a 90-minute web based course designed to improve participants' financial literacy and personal finances.	2.Provide support and encouragement through (a) Innovative approach to learning; (b) application of emerging technologies.	65% of newly admitted SSS participants who complete the 90-minutes on-line financial literacy courses will earn a score of 75% or better in the post-course proficiency exam.	-Financial Literacy 101 and 200 web- based post- course exam and results.	Completed: Academic year, 2016-2017  80% of newly admitted SSS participants scored at least 75% on the online financial literacy course.	Continue to offer the financial literacy online course during the SSS newly admitted student orientation.
5.							

#### II.2.B. 2016-2017 Assessment Plan Findings/Data Analysis

SLO/SAO #1: Increase SSS participant's awareness of services and resources.

#### Findings/Data Analysis

Data collected for pre/post-test of our SSS orientations gave us knowledge that not all students were aware of program requirements and resources available. After participating in a 3-hour orientation/team building activity, students claimed to have a better understanding of the intense services and resources available through the SSS program. This includes workshops, counseling appointments, tutorial, college tours and mandatory financial literacy workshop.

#### **Improvement Recommendations**

The SSS team will be revising the pre/post-test to ensure that all services are explain during orientation.

SLO/SAO #2: Increase SSS participant's graduation and transfer rates.

#### Findings/Data Analysis

\*Data for 2016-2017 has not been made available. The SSS program is currently assessing the outcomes for our Objective and will be completed by the end of August 2016.

#### **Improvement Recommendations**

N/A at this moment

SLO/SAO #3: Increase the persistence rate of SSS participants from one year to the next.

### Findings/Data Analysis

Findings:

-General Norco: 49.4% -SSS Participants 54.5%

According to Program Review Data from Institutional Research for Fall 2016, indicates that our SSS RISE participants are successfully persisting from term to term, for example from Fall 2015 to Fall 2016 SSS RISE participants are persisting at higher rates than the general Norco College general population.

#### **Improvement Recommendations**

The SSS staff will use Norco College's Database each term to capture students who have dropped to invite them to an intervention workshop.

#### SLO/SAO #4: Increase their knowledge about personal finances and debt management

#### Findings/Data Analysis

80% of newly admitted SSS participants who complete the 90-minutes on-line financial literacy courses will earned at least a score of 75% or higher in the post-course proficiency exam.

#### **Improvement Recommendations**

SSS is considering a free financial literacy program offered through our Student Financial Services office.

#### **III. Needs Assessment**

- **1. Staffing Level** provide a very brief description of your current staffing level or attach an organizational chart that includes positions only.
- **2. Staffing Profile** please indicate the number in terms of FTE. (In other words a full time staff person is a 1.0, and a half time person is a .5)

	Staffing Levels for Each of the Previous Five Years					-	Anticipated total staff needed		
Position	2012- 2013	2013- 2014	2014- 2015	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017 - 2018	2018- 2019		
Administration	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5		
Classified Staff FT	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5		
Classified Staff PT	.5	.5	.5	.5	0	.25	.25		
Confidential Staff FT									
Faculty FTE Full time									
Faculty FTE Part time	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5		
<b>Total Full Time Equivalent</b>									
Permanent Staff									
Short Term Staff	0	0	0	1	2	0	0		
Student Workers	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		

# 3. Improvement Areas

Note: Identify specific issues that are affecting the efficiency or effectiveness of your area due to lack of staffing, equipment, or other resources.

- Unable to keep up with our student contact due to adjunct counseling leaving for full time positions
- Unable to keep up with our student contact due to not to not having a Student Resource Specialist

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Unit Name: SSS

#### 4. Staff Needs

## **NEW OR REPLACEMENT STAFF (Administrative, Faculty, or Classified)**

List Staff Positions Needed for Academic Year 2016-2017	Indicate N = New	A manual TCD*
Please be as specific and as brief as possible when offering a reason.  Place titles on list in order (rank) or importance.	R=Replacement I = Increase time	Annual TCP* TCP for employee
1. Student Resource Specialist	R	Full-time
Reason:		
2. Grants Administrative Specialist	R	Part-time
Reason:		
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Reason:		
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Reason:		
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Reason:		

<sup>\*</sup> TCP = "Total Cost of Position" for one year is the cost of an average salary plus benefits for an individual. New positions (not replacement positions) also require space and equipment. Please speak with area manager to obtain accurate cost estimates. Please be sure to add related office space, equipment and other needs for new positions to the appropriate form and mention the link to the position.

# 5. Equipment (Not including technology) Needs Not Covered by Current Budget

List Equipment or Equipment Repair Needed for Academic Year 2016-2017 Please list/summarize the needs of your unit below.	Annual TCO*				
Please his summarize the needs of your unit below.  Please be as specific and as brief as possible.  Place items on list in order (rank) or importance.	Cost per item	Number Requested	Total Cost of Request		
1. Reason:					
2. Reason:					
3. Reason:					
4. Reason:					
5. Reason:					
6. Reason:					

<sup>\*</sup> TCO = "Total Cost of Ownership" for one year is the cost of an average cost for one year. Please speak with your area manager to obtain accurate cost estimates.

If equipment needs are linked to a position please be sure to mention that linkage.

# 6. Technology++ Needs Not Covered by Current Budget

NOTE: Technology; excludes software, network infrastructure, furniture, and consumables (toner, cartridges, etc.)

#### **Annual TCO\***

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Priority	EQUIPMENT REQUESTED	New (N) or Replacem ent (R)?	Program: New (N) or Continuing (C) ?	Location (i.e Office, Classroom , etc.)	Is there existing Infrastructure ?	How many users served?	Has it been repaired frequently?	Cost per item	Number Requested	Total Cost of Request
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Usage /										
Justification										
2.										
Usage /										
Justification										
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Usage /										
Justification										
4.										
Usage /										
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Usage /										
Justification										

- TCO = "Total Cost of Ownership" for one year is the cost of an average cost for one year. Please speak with your area manager to obtain accurate cost estimates. If equipment needs are linked to a position please be sure to mention that linkage.
- ++Technology is (1) equipment that attaches to a computer, or (2) a computer is needed to drive the equipment.

# 7. Facilities Needs $\underline{\textit{Not}}$ Covered by Current Building or Remodeling Projects\*

List Facility Needs for Academic Year 2016-2017 (Remodels, Renovations or added new facilities) Place items on list in order (rank) or importance.	Total Cost of Request
1. Reason:	
2. Reason:	
3. Reason:	
4. Reason:	
5. Reason:	
6. Reason:	

<sup>\*</sup>Please speak with your area manager to obtain accurate cost estimates and to learn if the facilities you need are already in the planning stages.

# 8. Professional or Organizational Development Needs $\underline{\textit{Not}}$ Covered by Current Budget\*

List Professional Development Needs for Academic Year 2016-2017  Reasons might include in response to assessment findings or the need to update skills. Please be as specific and as brief as possible. Some items may not have a cost per se, but reflect the need to spend current staff time differently. Place items on list in order (rank) or importance.	Cost per item	Number Requested	Total Cost of Request
1.COE Institutional Membership Reason: We would like to request that Norco College purchase the institutional membership for the Council for Opportunity in Education (COE). This membership is important to all TRiO programs as they are the group that provides advocacy efforts at the federal level. In addition, TRiO program staff attends their annual conference. A discounted rate is offered for members. TRiO staff also participates in webinars provided throughout the year.  *Please note: The institutional membership is paid between all three campuses at RCCD based on the number of TRiO programs which are housed on each respective campus. The total cost is \$5,250. The cost per item listed is the amount that corresponds to the Upward Bound-Corona Program. The total amount for all five (5) TRiO programs at Norco College is approximately \$2,390.	\$583.33	1	\$583.33
2. WESTOP Institutional Membership Reason: The TRiO programs at Norco College have been paying for institutional membership to be part of the Western Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel (WESTOP). WESTOP is one of the ten regional associations dedicated to furthering educational opportunities for low-income, first-generation and disabled students and at the same time providing professional development to its members. By being part of WESTOP, the programs take advantage of the discounted rates to attend annual conferences, professional development seminars, and having our students apply for scholarships that are available through the	\$144.00	1	\$144.00

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chapter and regional organization. All five TRiO programs are requesting that		
Norco College pay our annual membership fees for the 2016-2017 academic year.		
This will allow our programs to save a minimal amount of money that could be		
used towards our program needs.		
*Please note: The institutional membership has been paid amongst the five		
TRiO programs at Norco College for the last four years.		
The cost per item listed is the amount that corresponds to the Upward Bound-		
Corona program. The total amount for all five (5) TRiO programs at Norco		
College is approximately \$720.		
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Reason:		
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<sup>\*</sup>It is recommended that you speak with Human Resources or the Management Association to see if your request can be met with current budget.

# 9. SAFETY NEEDS <u>not</u> covered by current budget

List Safety Needs for Academic Year 2016-2017  Please list/summarize the needs of your unit below.  Please be as specific and as brief as possible.  Not all needs will have a cost, but may require a reallocation of current staff time.  Place items on list in order (rank) or importance.			
	Cost per item	Number Requested	Total Cost of Request
1. Reason:			
2. Reason:			
3. Reason:			
4. Reason:			
5. Reason:			
6. Reason:			

# 9. OTHER NEEDS <u>not</u> covered by current budget

List Other Needs for Academic Year 2016-2017  Please list/summarize the needs of your unit below.  Please be as specific and as brief as possible.  Not all needs will have a cost, but may require a reallocation of current staff time.  Place items on list in order (rank) or importance.			
	Cost per item	Number Requested	Total Cost of Request
1. Reason:			
2. Reason:			
3. Reason:			
4. Reason:			
5. Reason:			
6. Reason:			

#### **Appendix**

(The follow is for use for your assessment plans in sections II.1.A. and II.2.A.)

# **Norco College Mission Statement**

Norco College serves our students, our community, and its workforce by providing educational opportunities, celebrating diversity, and promoting collaboration. We encourage an inclusive, innovative approach to learning and the creative application of emerging technologies. We provide foundational skills and pathways to transfer, career and technical education, certificates and degrees.

Link of your outcomes assessment with the following options listed from the components of the Norco College Mission Statement.

- 1. Service to students, community, and workforce
  - a. By providing educational opportunities
  - b. By celebrating diversity
  - c. By promoting collaboration
- 2. Provides support and encouragement through
  - a. Innovative approach to learning
  - b. Application of emerging technologies
- 3. Provides foundational skills and pathways to transfer, career and technical education, certificates and degrees.

#### **Example:**

- SLO- Students will learn the services available through WebAdvisor.
- How it is linked to the Mission Statement: 2b Provides support and encouragement through application of emerging technologies.