FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

Select Committee on Florida Polytechnic University

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Candidacy Status



 Florida Poly was approved as a candidate for SACSCOC accreditation at the June 16 SACSCOC Board meeting

Outline

- Introduction
- Statutory requirements
- Cost per Undergraduate degree
- Work Plan plan
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Completed

Statutory Requirements

Slow Progress

Poor Progress

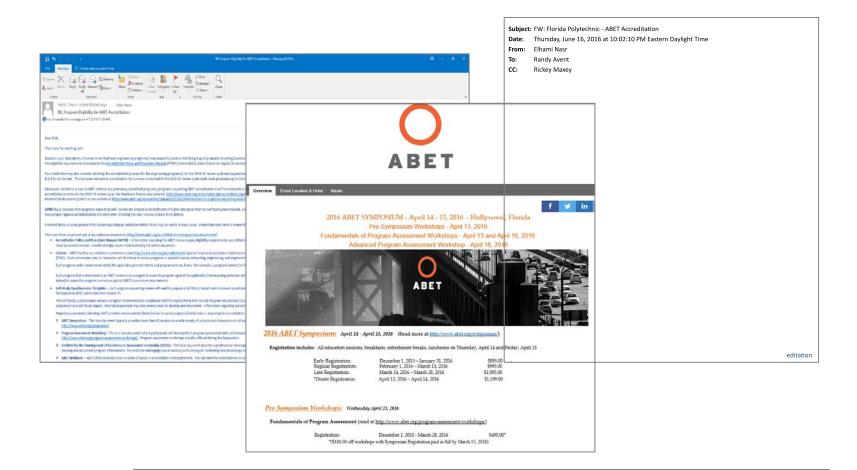
Good Progress

Criteria	Directives	Completed	Progress
STEM Academic Programs	5	5	√
Student Enrollment	4	3	
Administrative Capability	2	2	√
Accreditation	14	6	
Discipline-specific Accreditation	1	1	√
Facilities & Construction	3	3	√

Continuing to make strong progress on two remaining statutes

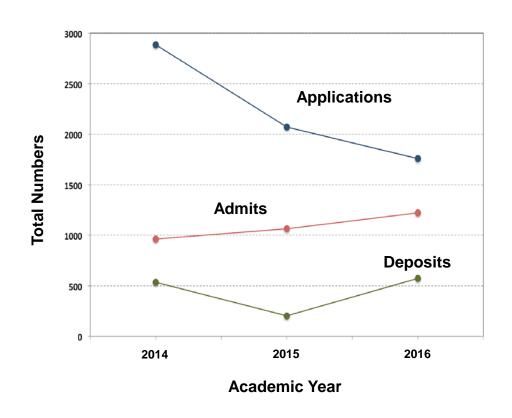


Discipline Specific Accreditation



Attended 2016 ABET Symposium and discussed eligibility and process with administrators

Enrollment Trends



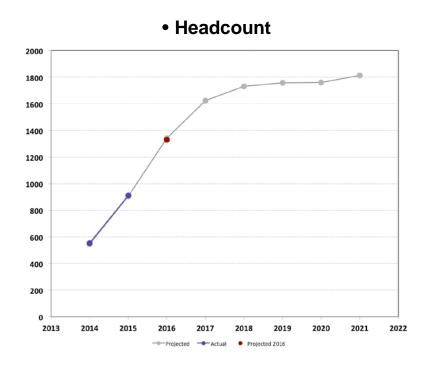
Enrollment Trends

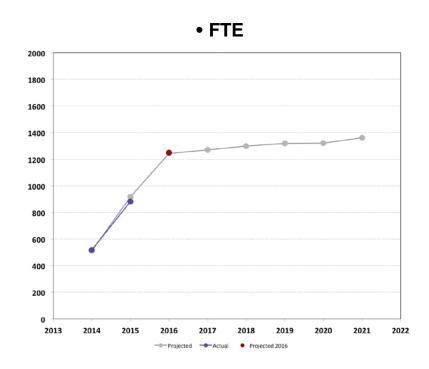
- Applications down 40%
- Admits up 27% for same
 Academic Quality
- Deposits up 8% from 2014,182% from 2015

Quality admits

- Two Fulbright Scholars
- 1 Valedictorian
- 2 Salutatorians
- 1 National Merit Finalist

Enrollment Growth

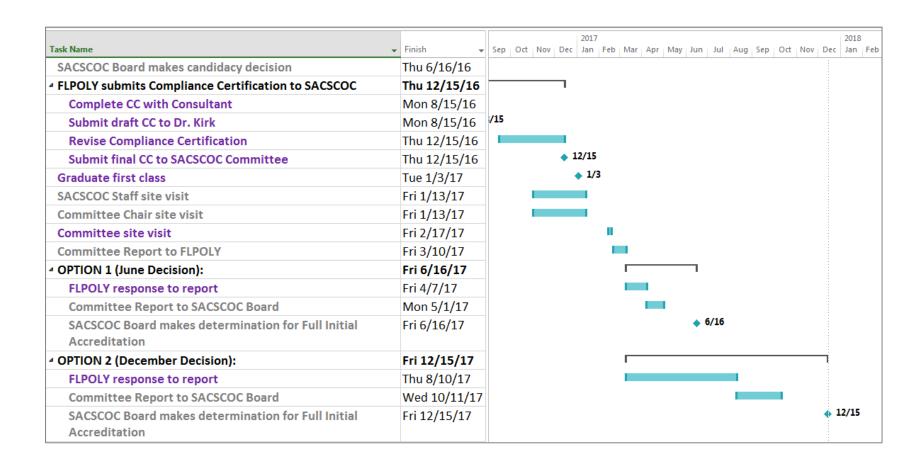




Making strong progress towards meeting the FTE requirement



Accreditation Timeline

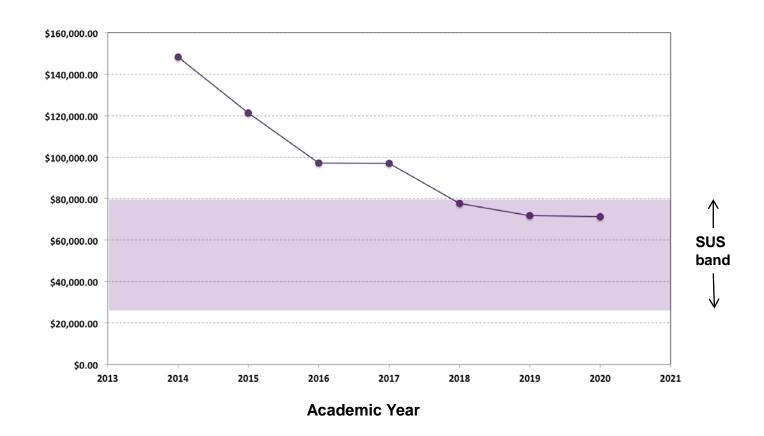


Compliance Certification is nearing completion with focus on assessment across the institution

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Four-year Cost per Degree



Estimates to be further refined with new ERP system where expenditures are better tracked

Root Causes

Increased operational efficiencies

- Flat organization
- Centralized services with porous boundaries
- Minimal number of enterprise services
- Cloud-based IT

University size strongly correlates with cost/degree

- Change the course scheduling process
- Re-engineer concentrations in the curriculum
- Grow average class sizes

STEM programs will be more expensive than non-STEM

- STEM faculty are 40% more expensive than non-STEM
- STEM programs require laboratories and expensive test equipment
- Workforce preparation requires projects with material costs

Potential for strategic discussions after statutory requirements have been met

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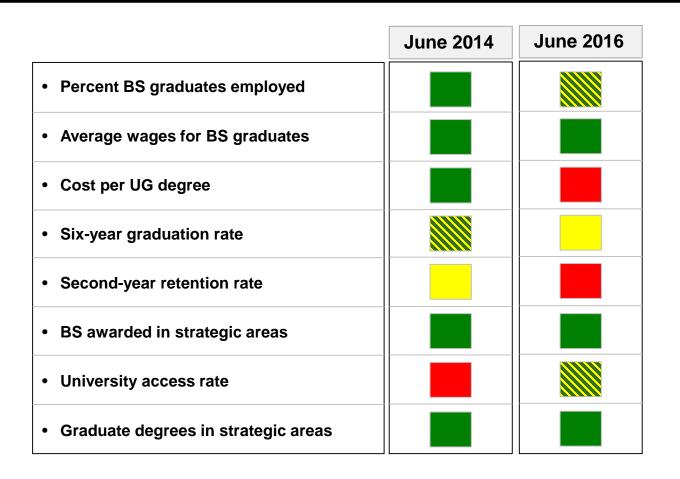
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SUS Performance Metrics

June 2014 · Percent BS graduates employed Average wages for BS graduates · Cost per UG degree • Six-year graduation rate Second-year retention rate • BS awarded in strategic areas • University access rate • Graduate degrees in strategic areas



SUS Performance Metrics



 Detailed numbers to be presented at September Board meeting



"Problematic" Courses

Course	Withdrawal Rate	GPA	Status
Analytic Geometry and Calculus 1	20%	2.26	
Analytic Geometry and Calculus 2	21%	2.47	
Chemistry (incl. Lab)	11%	2.56	
Introduction to Computation and Programming	9%	2.92	
Physics 1 (incl. Lab)	9%	3.01	
Introduction to Philosophy	7%	2.32	
Introduction to Engineering Design	5%	3.20	
Introduction to Engineering	5%	3.23	
Biology 1 (incl. Lab)	3%	2.90	
Ethics	3%	3.37	

Calculus has the highest withdrawal rates and lowest GPA

No attention needed

Needs Some Attention

Problematic

Retention Mitigation Strategies

Retention programs included in all Work Plans presented

- Academic Success Center (tutors, embedded tutors, mid-terms)
- Summer Math "Bootcamps"
- Advanced teaching methods (modules, applied, primers)
- Success Coaches

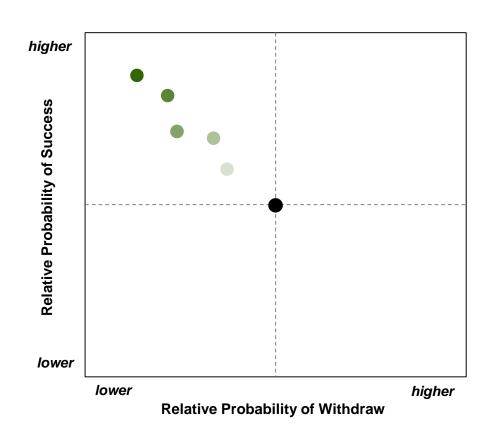
Better admissions using predictive analytics

- Reduce admissions to become more selective
- Academic Quality (GPA, SAT, ACT)
- Concurrent factors (faculty status, time-of-day)
- Grit tests

Introduction of "retreat" majors

- Programs consistent with Poly mission
- "Going Backwards"

Retention Initiatives Results



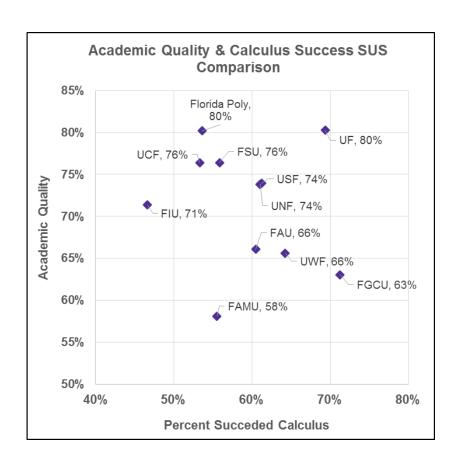
- Baseline
- Tutoring
- Mid-term grades
- Math Bootcamp
- Primers
- Modules

 Initiatives that required students attendance outside the classroom were less effective than classroom-based approaches

Summary

- Making strong progress on statutory requirements
- Cost per UG degree remains high and is unlikely to be competitive without major changes to the University mission
- Problematic areas for Performance Based Funding center around retaining students and costs consistent with engineering programs
- Focus remains on building the university while improving projected weaknesses

Calculus Success - SUS Comparisons



- High Academic Quality
- Florida Poly is one of three institutions with lowest calculus success and highest withdrawal rate
- AQ may have a weak correlation with calculus success