# Caseload Connections to Pathway Success

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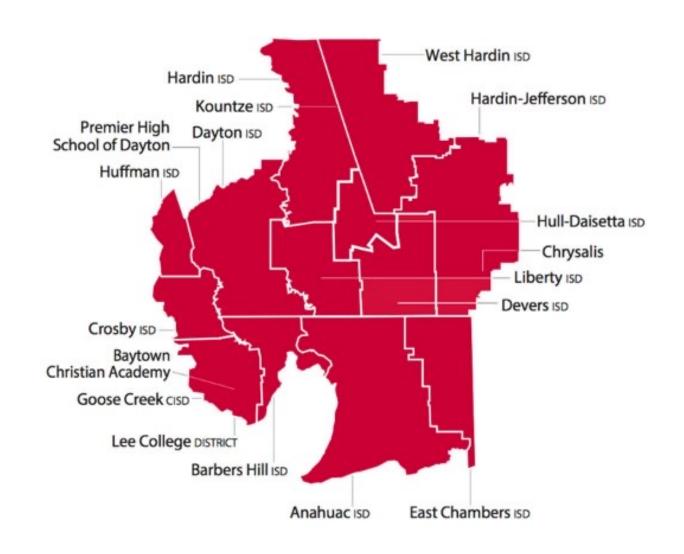
## **Topics**

- About Lee College and Advising & Transfer Programs
- Rationale
- Caseload Evolution
- Faculty Collaborations
- Successes & Challenges

## Lee College

Baytown, Texas26 miles East of Houston

- Large service area
- Academic & technical programs





Total Fall 2024 Enrollment: 8943



Top Programs (2024)

Associate of Arts: 1,464
Associate of Science: 517
Process Technology: 226
Instrumentation Tech: 144
Registered Nursing: 115



HSI: 50%

MSI:72%



PT: 77%

FT:23%



Female: 50%

Male:50%



Unmet Basic

Needs: 74%

## Lee College Advising & Transfer Programs





#### Rationale

- Develop rapport and facilitate collaboration with faculty
- Further develop knowledgeable about pathway programs
- Strengthen advisor-student connection
- Relationship-focused model = conducive setting for proactive advising
- Caseload size goal ≤ 300
  - Habley, W. R. (2004). Advisor load. Retrieved from the NACADA Clearinghouse of Academic Advising Resources.

www.nacada.ksu.edu/Clearinghouse/AdvisingIssues/advisorload.htm

#### **NEW DIRECTIONS**

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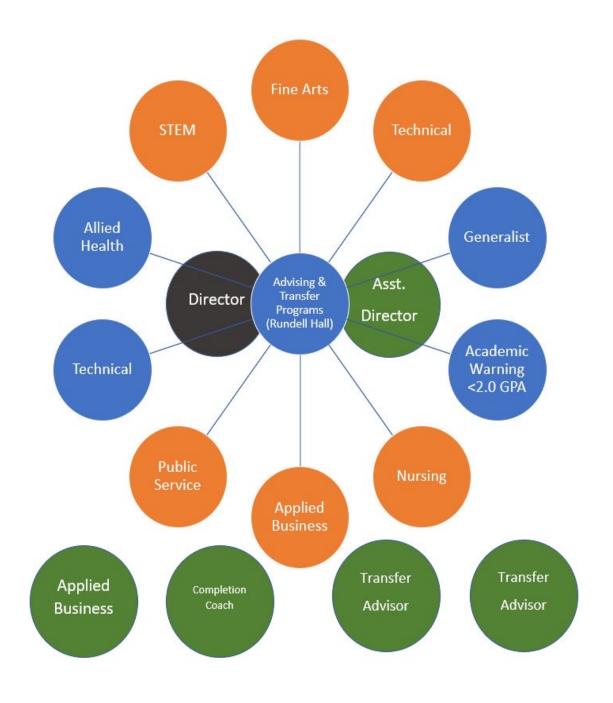






Academic Counselor to Faculty Status

Embedded Counselor Leadership Change Implementation of Caseloads Start-to-Finish Caseloads Pathways



## **Staffing Evolution**

**Embedded professionals** 

• Current: 7 Goal: 9

Advising/Counseling Center

 6 generalists to align with Pathways

Average Caseload:

\*Spring 2014: 491

\*Spring 2019: 363

\*Spring 2024: 363





#### **Current Endeavors**

- Caseloads < 350
- Holistic Proactive Advising
- Transfer
- Supporting Career Exploration

## **Faculty Collaborations**



- → Embedded Advisors
- → Roles in Shared Governance
- → Early Alert
- → Student Organization Advisors
- → Community Organization Liaison

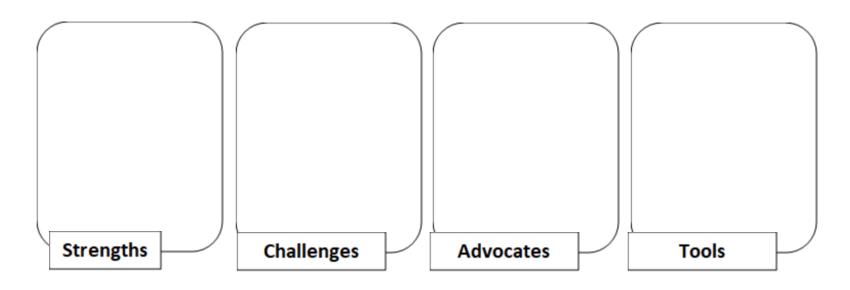
## **Challenges & Solutions**

Balancing caseload size and number of pathway programs Increased student satisfaction

Increasing student engagement with advising Meeting differing pathway population needs

#### **Discussion**

#### **Transitioning to Pathway Caseload Advising**



- Break into small groups. Using the handout, assess your institution's advising model.(10 minutes)
- Select one person from each group to share out. (≤ 2 minutes each)

## Questions?

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