Onboarding Retreat: Understanding the Foothill Student

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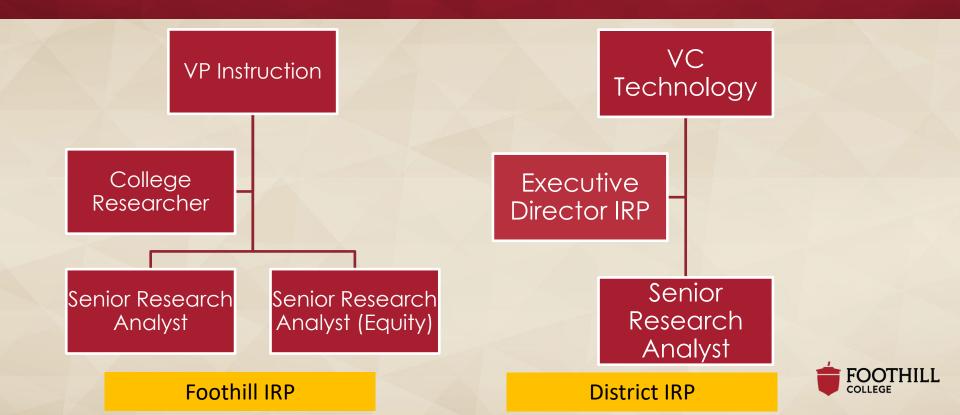


Learning Outcomes

- What is Institutional Research and Planning?
- What are some characteristics of Foothill students?
- Why are enrollment and FTES important measures?
- How can data help me support my students better?
- How does data inquiry move to action?



We are Institutional Research & Planning



IRP's Goal

 Support the college's/district's efforts at academic quality and continuous improvement to serve students better

Data Inquiry

Data Educators + Data Advocates



IRP is like Baking Cookies

- IRP takes a recipe (outcome)
 - What ingredients needed
 - Where can ingredients be found
 - Can substitutions can be made
 - Should recipes be tweaked
 - Encourages experimentation and innovation (intervention)

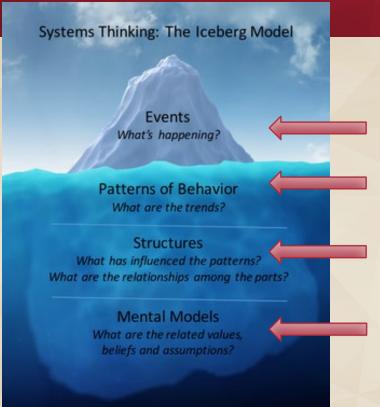








Narrowing the Equity Gap



Foothill is producing gaps in success among Latinx students

Latinx students don't access college resources at the same rate

Latinx students are less likely to seek out help

Latinx students have experienced barriers and challenges with education resources

Current supports/services designed for students who know what they need and how to access them



Data to Action

- The college (and you) should be student-ready
 - Not are the students college-ready
- Reflect through appreciative inquiry
 - What does success (characteristics) look like?
- Applying universal design
- Role of Choice + Flexibility



Who are the Foothill Students?



Student Demographics

Ethnicity

latinx, white, asian

Gender

Female

Age

• 20-24

Highest Ed Level

HS/GED

Enrollment Status

Part-Time



Educational Goal

Degree/Transfer

Undecided

Short-Term Career Ed

Adult Ed/ESL



Source: FH IRP | Degree/Transfer: Students seeking to earn a two-Year and/or Four-Year Degree | Undecided: Students w/goal of life-long learning, fulfilling requirements of a four-year institution while already enrolled in a four-year institution, or those undecided as to their goal | Short-Term Career Ed: Students seeking to gain career-related skills to enter or advance in their careers | Adult Ed/ESL: Students seeking to build foundational literacy, quantitative, and English-language skills

Student Enrollment

Continuing

First-Time New +

First-Time Transfer

Returning

Concurrent

Almost 1/2 are continuing students



Source: FH IRP | Fall 2019 and Fall 2021 terms.

Fall 2019 HC: Continuing=45%; First-time new=17%; First-time transfer=16%; Returning-16%; HS Concurrent=5% Fall 2021 HC: Continuing=49%; First-time new=16%; First-time transfer=13%; Returning=15%; HS Concurrent=8%

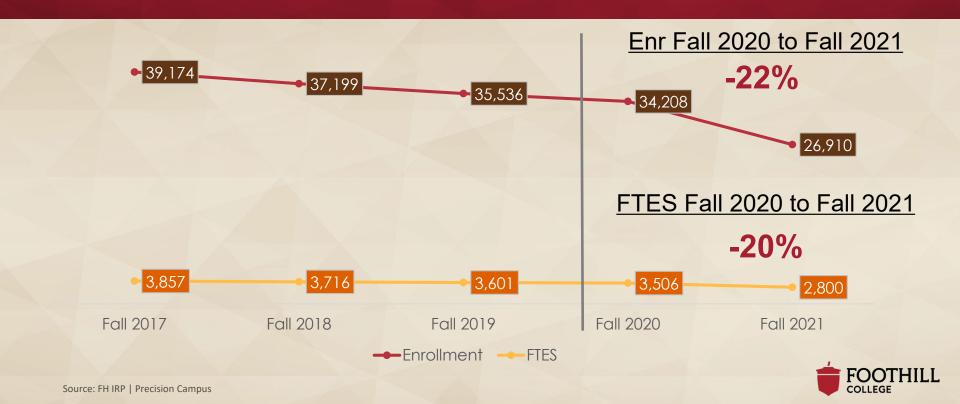
Student Enrollment

By Division

- STEM
- Business + Social Sciences
- Fine Arts + Communication
- Language Arts
- Health Sciences + Horticulture
- Kinesiology + Athletics
- Counseling
- LRC + Library
- Student Resource + Support Programs



Enrollment + FTES: 5-Year Trend



Online Enrollment: 5-Year Trend



Instructional Modality Trend



Student Demographics

Fall 2019

28% 28%

39%

68%

27%

7%

12%



Asian

Latinx

Ages 20-24

HS/GED

First Gen

DSPS

Non-Resident

Fall 2021

24%

33%

28%

64%

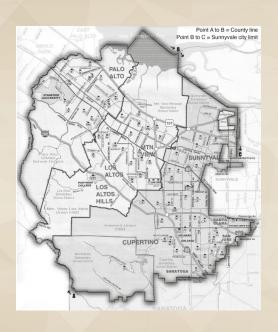
28%

6%

8%



The Students We Serve



Service Area

31% 29%

Fall 2019 Fall 2021

Santa Clara County

58% 56%

Fall 2019 Fall 2021



Fall 2021: San Jose 28%

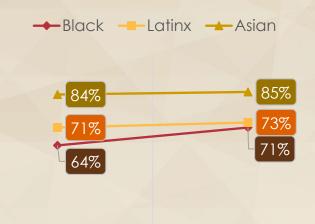


Course Success

College Course Success

79% 79%

Fall 2019 Fall 2021



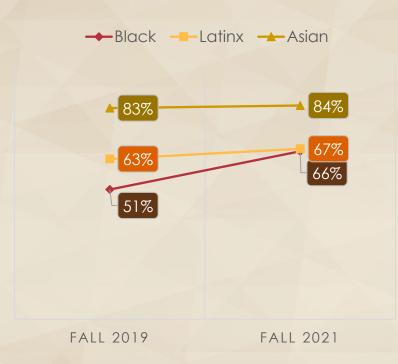


Online Course Success

Online Course Success

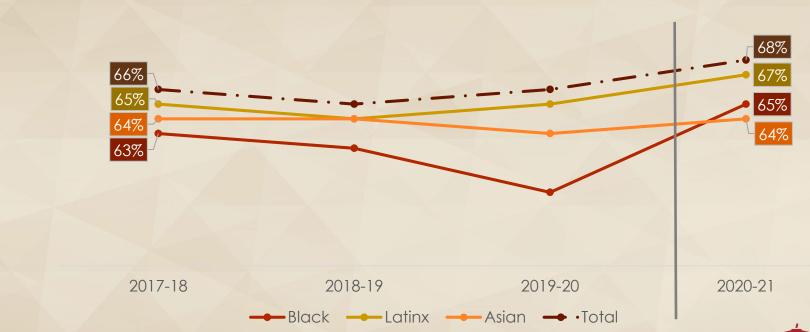
73% 75%

Fall 2019 Fall 2021





Persistence: Fall-to-Winter

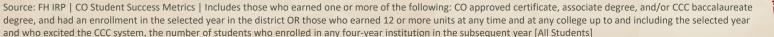




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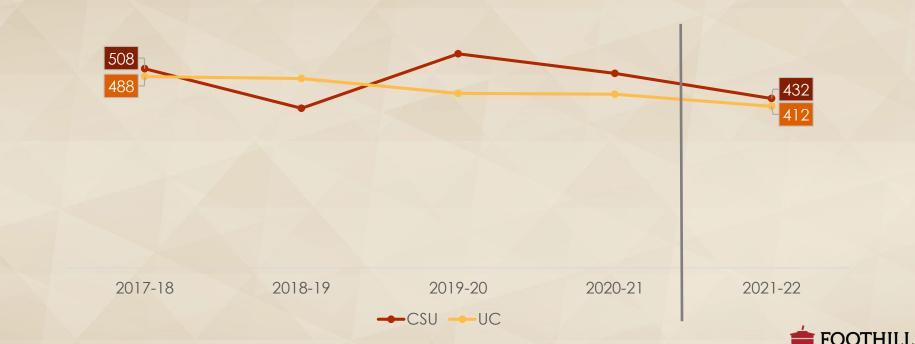


Awards





Transfers

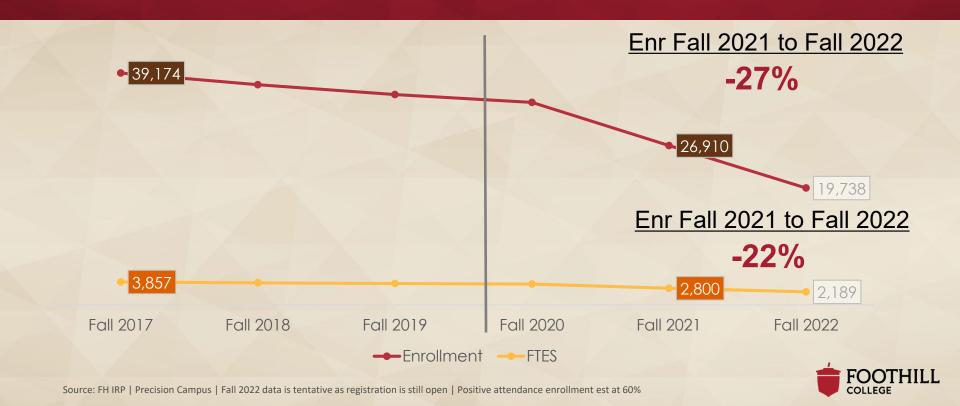




Who are OUR Foothill Students?



Enrollment + FTES: Fall 2022



Online Enrollment: Fall 2022



Fall 2022

Enrollment

19,738

Sections

881

Online Sections

530



Headcount

8,642

Service Area

24%

Black

5%

Latinx

29%

Asian

29%

These ethnicity rates are relatively flat from year-to-year



First Generation

Roughly 1 out of 4 students

Latinx

58% 61%

Fall 2021

Fall 2022



Among each ethnicity

52% 26% 20%

Latinx

Black

Asian



Who are YOUR Foothill Students?



Data Access + Inquiry





- Precision Campus + Inquiry Tool
 - Drill down by division, department, course, (your) section levels
 - By year or term
 - Disproportionate impact
- Student Success Metrics
 - CO dashboards
 - State metrics







What Does Our Data Say About Choice + Flexibility -> **Engagement + Success**



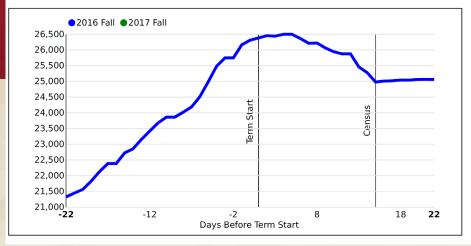
Day 1 to Census: Pre-Pandemic

- Drop in FTES between Day 1 to Census
- Drop by Modality:
 - Face-to-Face held (relatively) steady
 - Online saw more drop

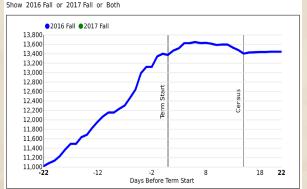
How do current trends compare?

Limits: Residency Resident College FH

Show 2016 Fall or 2017 Fall or Both

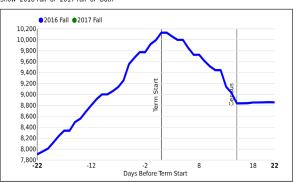


Limits: Residency Resident College FH On-line Status Face to Face



Limits: Residency Resident College FH On-line Status Online

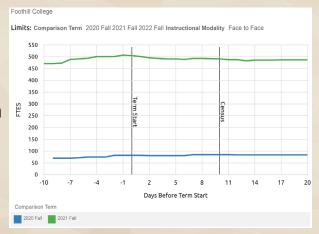
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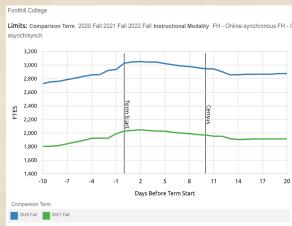


Day 1 to Census: Pandemic

- Day 1 to census continues to see a drop in FTES
- Drop by Modality:
 - Face-to-Face continues to hold (relatively) steady
 - Some pandemic F2F courses more likely to retain students (e.g. allied health)
 - Online continues to show drop in FTES
 - Many more online options
 - Life is more uncertain





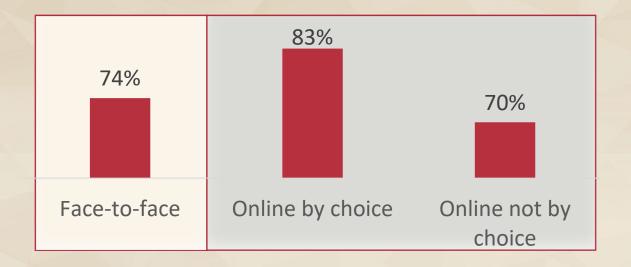


Course Success and Modality Choice

- Students do better when they have a choice between online and face-to-face sections
 - Matched sample analysis
 - Accounted for instructor variability



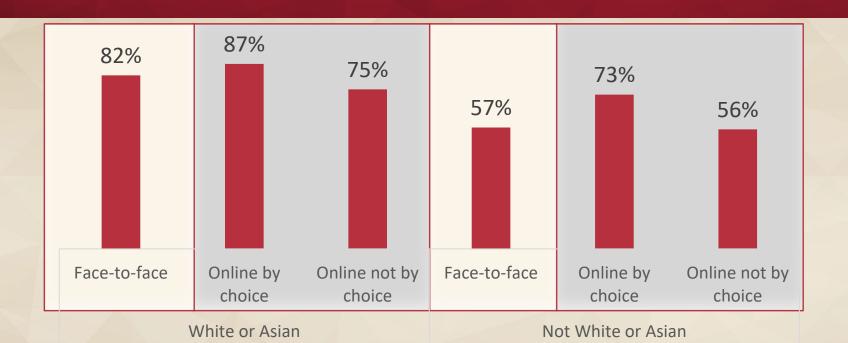
Choice facilitates Success



Higher success rates for those who enrolled in the modality of "choice"



Pattern holds by Ethnicity



Higher success rates for those who enrolled in the modality of "choice"



Online Student Engagement

High Engagement

9,897 (0.4 or less)

Medium Engagement

1,733 (0.4 or less)

Low Engagement



Fall 2021

- How alike are the students engaged?
- More than just being logged in
- Closer to center means engaged is more like peers

957 (0.4 or less) Q: What is the relationship between engagement and achievement?

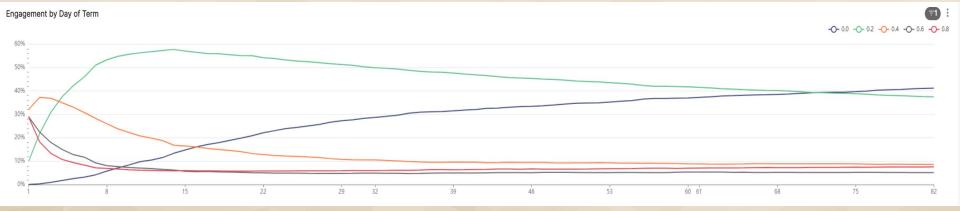
Q: Are outcomes consistent throughout the term?

Q: Are outcomes consistent across student groups?



Online Student Engagement

- Blue line (mostly engaged) increases over time
- Orange line demonstrate "middle of road" engagement
- Black and Red lines stay consistent post census
- Pre and post census patterns



Additional Engagement Trends

Shoppers/Droppers

Thousands shop for courses/enroll then drop all courses before census

Most are single course takers

Term-to-Term Retention

Most from outside the Bay Area

Most are single course takers

Winter-to-Winter first time students

Single Course Takers

About 40% are single course takers

Many are continuing students (~40%)

Slight increase during pandemic





Thank you!

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