

Excel-A-Raider: A Seminole State College of Florida Quality Enhancement Plan Executive Summary

Seminole State College of Florida's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), Excel-A-Raider, was developed through a highly collaborative process involving students, faculty, and staff. Guided by our comprehensive planning and evaluation process, our goal is to cooperatively leverage the services of key areas within Academic and Student Affairs—advising, academic and student support, and faculty mentoring—to positively impact the success of First-Time-In-College (FTIC) students enrolled in the Associate of Arts (A.A.) program.

To achieve this goal, the following strategies will be implemented:

- Comprehensive application of Intrusive and Appreciative Advising frameworks.
- Intentional integration of academic and student support in ENC 1101, IDS 1107, and MAC 1105 and active promotion of support services available outside of class.
- Faculty-student relationship-focused professional development enabling faculty to provide effective mentoring.

The QEP will focus on three courses many FTIC A.A. students take: ENC 1101: English 1, IDS 1107: First Year Experience Flightpath, and MAC 1105: College Algebra. These courses play a crucial role in shaping the academic journey of the QEP's student population. Notably, ENC 1101 and MAC 1105 serve as gateway courses and key performance indicators for Seminole State, while IDS 1107, a requirement for FTIC A.A. students entering with fewer than 15 credit hours, is expected to be completed in students' first semester.

Informed by the "Goals for our Students" articulated in Seminole State's Strategic Plan: Flight Path 2025, success in achieving our goal will be measured by increases in the following metrics:

- Completion rates in IDS 1107, ENC 1101, and MAC 1105.
- Fall to Spring persistence rates.
- Fall to Fall retention rates.
- Satisfaction with academic advising, academic and student support, and faculty mentoring.

In summary, by focusing on advising, academic and student support, and faculty mentoring, Excel-A-Raider aims to create a supportive and engaging learning environment that improves the educational experience and ultimately, positively impacts the success of FTIC A.A. degree-seeking students.

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