It’s Your World Now: Alternative Advising Models
Students are now required to complete mandatory orientation, assessment, and counseling services around student education planning.
The Premise:

Abbreviated Education Plan + Student Declares Goal + Comprehensive Education Plan = Completed Academic & Career Goal
Three Challenges

1. Student Preparation for Education Planning
2. Institutional Counseling Capacity
3. Making Student Education Plans Meaningful
CHALLENGE 1:
Student Preparation for Education Planning
The O’Banion Advising Model

1. Exploration of Life Goals
2. Exploration of Vocational Goals
3. Program Choice
4. Course Choice
5. Course Scheduling
Undeclared Students
Reality: Over half of incoming LBCC students have not identified a major.

Strategies:
- Building on High School Career Pathways
- Career Exploration Course (COUNS 48) in High Schools
- Mandatory COUNS 48 for undeclared students in Promise Pathways
- Build Career Center into Career Pathways Trust Fund Proposals
Pushing Student Ownership

- Student education planning is a privilege, not a right

**Strategies:**

- Require students to complete certain tasks for each step in education planning process
  - i.e. Student needs to declare an academic/career goal to schedule a comprehensive education planning session
CHALLENGE 2: Institutional Counseling Capacity
Counseling Capacity
Counselor : Student Ratio = 1:1,185

- Initial Orientation: 10%
- Initial Assessment: 10%
- Abbreviated SEP: 10%
- Counseling/Advising: 15%
- Comprehensive SEP: 35%
- Progress Probation: 15%
- Other Services: 5%
Tiered, Targeted Services

Strategies:

- New Student Orientation
- Calendaring Counseling Services Over Semester
- Instructional School Liaison Model
New Delivery Models

Strategies:
- Paraprofessional Model
- Mandatory Counseling Orientation Course for Promise Pathways
- Electronic Student Education Plans – Degree Audit
CHALLENGE 3:
Making Student Education Plans Meaningful
Why Have an Student Education Plan?

- Limited Student Incentive to Follow Student Education Plan
- No Institutional Commitment to Student Education Plan
Making It Mean Something

Strategies:

- More Closely Monitoring Student SEP Progress for Financial Aid
- Guaranteeing Abbreviated SEP for Promise Pathways
- Working with Instructional Departments to Guarantee SEP Pathways