

MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Developmental Education Reform Taskforce
Progress Report
March 8, 2013

- System-wide approach to Dev. Ed.
- Consistency of status for Dev. Ed. instructors
- Consistency of oversight for Dev. Ed. courses/services
- Standardized annual reporting to the BOR on student success and completion of college courses

Taskforce Mission & Goals

- City College at MSU Billings
- Flathead Valley Community College
- Gallatin College MSU
- GEAR UP
- Great Falls College MSU
- Great Falls Public Schools
- Helena College UM
- Miles Community College
- Montana Digital Academy
- Montana Tech
- Montana University System
- MSU-Bozeman
- Office of Public Instruction
- University of Montana
- University of Montana Western

Taskforce Representation

1. College Readiness

- Occurs along a continuum
- Is more than just college course **content** readiness
- There is a need to better address the high school to college transition
- Requires an active partnership with K-12

2. Assessment/Placement Models

- Multiple assessment/placement methods currently in use throughout system
- Creates lack of clarity for counselors, students and parents
- Admission to college is not the same as readiness for college-level courses

3. Dev. Ed. Models that Work in Montana

- Wide array of Dev. Ed. delivery models used throughout system (corequisite, stand alone, modular)
- Compiling inventory and assessment data where available
- Need a system-wide uniform protocol for evaluation of performance

4. Student Support, Advising & Implementation

- Compiling inventory of practices that support Dev. Ed:
 - Academic advising
 - Tutoring
 - Targeted populations support
 - Transition support
- Need a system-wide uniform protocol for evaluation of performance

5. Standards and Consistency Across the System

- Coordinating committee comprised of all subcommittee chairs
- Responsible for drafting recommendations

Emerging Consensus

- **April 12:** All subcommittee reports complete
- **April 26:** Draft of report with Executive Summary goes to committee for review
- **May 10:** Final report with recommendations to Commissioner
- **May BOR Mtg:** Present recommendations

Completion Timeline