Best Advisement Practice of the Month

An advisor should possess good referral skills for personal, academic, and emotional issues. (HVCC, 2008)

Student Success Center Services

- Computer Resource Lab and Quiet Zone for individual and small group studying
- Learn how to be a Successful Student - Attend the Stay Current! Workshop Series
- Online Tools for Career Exploration and Improving Study Skills
- Check the Title III Website for Additional Resources www.prcc.edu/t3

Launch of Student E-Portfolio Pilot

Would you like the chance to digitally set yourself apart by showcasing your academic achievements and personal goals to transfer colleges and universities and future employers?

- learn how to develop your own e-portfolio,
- learn how to showcase yourself professionally
- learn how to write a resume and master the interview
- meet and greet with advisors from schools you designate as transfer institutions of choice

We have officially launched the new PRCC Student e-Portfolios in October. In our first session 30+ students have partnered with Title III to pilot this dynamic online tool that will assist students preparing to graduate and transfer to a senior college or university or for those preparing to enter the workforce. This group will have the opportunity to customize their e-portfolio with interactive media and will be provided with professional feedback through the process. Ultimately Title III will connect each transferring student in our cohort with an advisor from their university of interest.

We will continue to create new student groups for training. If you anticipate graduating within the next year, we would love to partner with you to develop your personalized e-portfolio. For more information, please contact atownsend@prcc.edu or apurvis@prcc.edu (601-554-5554) or call the Student Success Center office at 601-403-1414.

Student Success Center is Hiring

The Student Success Center is taking applications for Peer Mentors and SI Leaders for the Spring 2012 semester. Peer Mentors work with students in Essential Skills and College Study Skills courses, helping them to learn important skills and strategies for college success. SI Leaders work with students in Beginning English, Intermediate English, Composition I and Composition II by facilitating outside-of-class group study sessions.

All positions pay $7.25 per hour. Students can work up to 15 hours.

For information about the positions, please call Dr. Leslie Butler at 601.403.1427.
Next on the Agenda:
• Continue Fall Pilots
• Poplarville SSC Open House December 1 from 9 am - 3 pm

Title III Staff
• Dr. Amy Townsend, Director
• Dr. Leslie Butler, Learning Specialist
• Karen Creely, Information Systems Developer/Data Analyst
• Rhonda Ladner, Tech Support
• Dr. Aaryn Purvis, FCC Learning Specialist
• Bobbie Jo Beach, Administrative Assistant

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The Student Success Center in Poplarville will be hosting an Open House on December 1, 2011. The Center will be open to all visitors from 9 am - 3 pm. The Title III staff welcomes all faculty, staff and students to tour the facility and learn more about what the center offers.

Peer Leader Spotlight
• Goal is to become an elementary or special education teacher
• Plans to attend USM
• Originally from Flowood, MS
• Became a Peer Leader because it is a great opportunity to help students
• Chose PRCC because it is a great stepping stone to prepare for a major university

News from Forrest County Center
• More students are becoming aware of the facility and utilizing its services on a daily basis
• During the month of October we hosted two Stay Current! workshops on note-taking and test taking skills
• Peer Leaders participated in the fall festival activities by creating a float and passing out flyers during the event
• Peer Leaders are beginning to partner with the Student Government Association to plan a campus wide check your e-mail campaign for the Spring
• Currently hiring peer mentors for the Spring Semester; applications are in Dr. Purvis’s office and are due by December 5

Title III Yearly Evaluation
September 30th marked the end of year two of PRCC’s Title III grant. Much was accomplished in Y2 which included designing and piloting a new advising model for at-risk students call “Pre-Core Advising”, piloting GradesFirst as the college’s new attendance tracking and early alert system, developing e-portfolios, and the opening of the new Student Success Center at the Forrest County Center. Dr. Lou Ann Norman, our external grant evaluator, conducted her final evaluation on October 20th and will submit her final report in the next few weeks. The Title III staff would like to express our sincere gratitude to each faculty and staff member who has worked diligently with us throughout the year to improve the services we provide for PRCC students!