



Cal-PASS Orientation and Program Review Tool

The Cal-PASS Way



What is Cal-PASS?

- ★ Facilitates collaboration among primary, secondary and post-secondary institutions on a regional basis
- ★ Collects actionable data and reports on student transition and success locally and statewide
- ★ Engages educational leaders and faculty across segments in instructional conversations - The PLC model
- ★ Implements and evaluates educational innovations throughout the state and works to bring to scale those innovations that demonstrate success

What's in the Data Set?

- Data is anonymous
 - personal identifier information is removed or encrypted
- Student file
 - Demographic information
 - Attendance
- Course file
 - Enrollment information
 - Course performance
- Student test file
 - CST
 - HS Exit Exam
- Award file
 - Diplomas, degrees, certificates
- Custom files
 - Information collected on interventions

Current Status of Institutional Research

- How research inquiry generally works:
 - Faculty or staff member has an interest
 - Works with Research Department – if there is one
 - Interest is turned into a research question
 - If researcher available – placed in the queue and may get an answer in month or longer
 - Usually research is a static report and then the inevitable questions come up...
 - If no researcher available – try to get an answer in another way or give up

SMART Tool Demonstration

- Why invest in this technology?
 - Improve access to information
 - Meet Accreditation mandates
 - Provides information on innovations
 - Increase Faculty and Administrators access to actionable information
- What is it? OLAP enables users to perform analysis of data in multiple dimensions, thereby providing the insight and understanding they need for better decision making
- Enables a wide variety of users access to data
- Web-based for easy access
- Some training required
- Can be applied in a variety of applications

SMART Tool Expansion

- K-12
- University
- Intervention outcomes
- Cohort Tracking
- Transitions

