2024 University Goal Enrollment Updates

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Increase Enrollment and Enhance Student Success (Goal 2A)

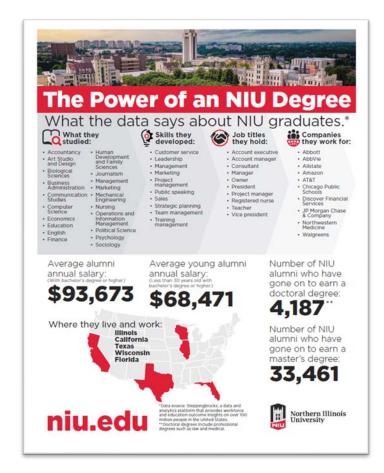




Updating Messaging

- Perception study (2022-23) value of an NIU education:
 - Affordability
 - Career outcomes
 - Academic experiences
 - Fit

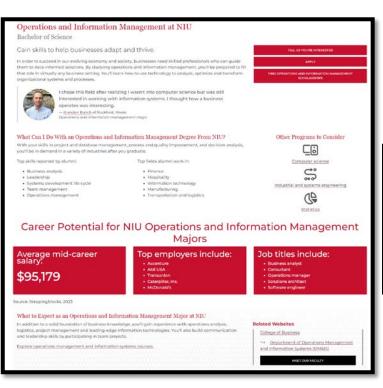






Updating Messaging

Updated messaging in communications





Improving Campus Visits

Increase Capacity and Attendance

- Full team of Northern Ambassadors
- Phone calling campaigns improve show rate
- New program: First-Gen Admitted Student Day
- Increase in group/special visits

Enhance Campus Tour/Visit Experiences

- Academic showcases at Admitted Student Days
- Bienvenido a NIU (bilingual)
- Updated campus tour script
- Updated Admissions presentation
- Option to eat in dining centers
- Academic visits/meetings (next academic year)







Revising Institutional Aid Strategies

- AIM HIGH
 - Huskie Pledge
 - CPS and DeKalb County
- Strategic allocation of:
 - Undergraduate tuition waivers and institutional aid
 - Foundation scholarships







Strengthening Partnerships

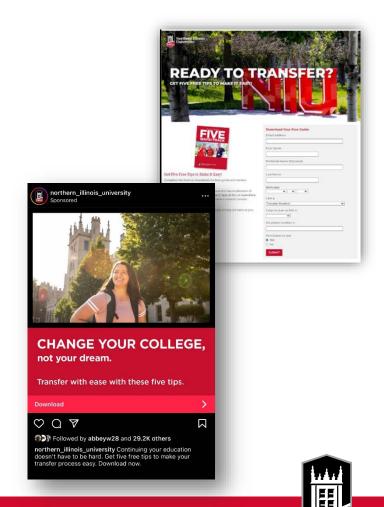
- College and Career Pathways
- McHenry CC (Fall 2024 entry)
 - Business Administration
 - Computer Science
 - Early Childhood Education
 - Psychology
 - Public Health
- Comprehensive community college strategy





Supporting Transfer and Working Adult Students

- "A Thriving Illinois" (IBHE Strategic Plan)
- NIU Transfer Credit Estimator
- Re-enrollment of stop-outs (ReUp)
- Creation of marketing campaigns for "some college, no degree"
 - Ex Bachelor of General Studies



Graduate Enrollment Management

- Implementation of Slate (CRM)
- Development of graduate enrollment plans
 - Build upon existing marketing/ad campaigns
 - Creation of recruitment plans







Media Buying Services

- Benefits of a partner:
 - Greater buying power through larger-scale purchasing ability and expertise
 - Amplified cost savings through a significant reduction in administrative time and effort
 - Recommendations based on data analytics, enabling the department to respond rapidly
- Supports NIU's ad campaigns inclusive of undergraduate, graduate and adult learner audiences
- RFP process during the 2024-25 academic year





Questions/Comments?



