CENTER FOR MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
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Executive Director
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Improve Our Work in Helping Students Graduate and with Reasonable Time to Degree

- Open Up a New Degree Pathway for Students Who Want a Rigorous Sandbox Environment with Intensive Coaching and Mentoring

- Re-evaluate Our Role and Market Position in Adult and Continuing Education

- Rebrand and Retool to Support Each of These Activities
BE A BETTER AND MORE EFFICIENT MEDIATOR IN DEGREE COMPLETION WORK

- Gather Students Earlier Via Richer, Reinvigorated Campus Relationships and a Better Internal Marketing Scheme
- Coaching and Mentoring Towards Richer Interdisciplinary Integration and More Distinctive Concentrations
- Better Articulation of T-Shaped Skills and Career Preparation
Convene and Sustain a Faculty Discussion and Advisory Group to Imagine and Build an Anchor Curriculum

Sort out All the Moving Parts
- Interdisciplinary Team Teaching
- Computational Literacy
- Design Literacy
- T-Shaped Skills
- Project Based Learning /Engaged Learning /Challenge Education
RE-EVALUATE AND REINVIGORATE OUR ROLE IN ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Working with the Council on Adult and Experiential Learning to evaluate our current readiness to serve this market

- Investigate New 2 yr Institution Transfer Agreements & Partnerships with industry Apprenticeships

- Clarify How to Maximize Our Position in the Marketplace – And Don’t Chase Everything!
Work with the Provost, Deans, and Department Heads to Shape a Plan to Build a Temporary Faculty – as we move towards a moment where we can cluster hire and build a faculty cohort with identifiable scholarly coherence

Proposed to the Provost and President that we Change the Name of the Center
- Reynolds School of Individualized Studies
QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

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