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**COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

**Tuesday, October 21, 2014**

**SUBJECT:     QUALITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN ANNUAL REVIEW**

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

No action is necessary. This item is only informational.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Dr. Donna Chamely-Wiik, Director of the University's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), will give an annual update on the status of the QEP, known as "Distinction through Discovery," and related undergraduate research and inquiry activities.

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

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**Supporting Documentation:**

**PowerPoint Presentation**

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# ***Distinction through Discovery:*** ***Expanding Undergraduate Research and Inquiry***

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*Board of Trustees Meeting*  
*October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014*

## *FAU's Distinction through Discovery Goals*

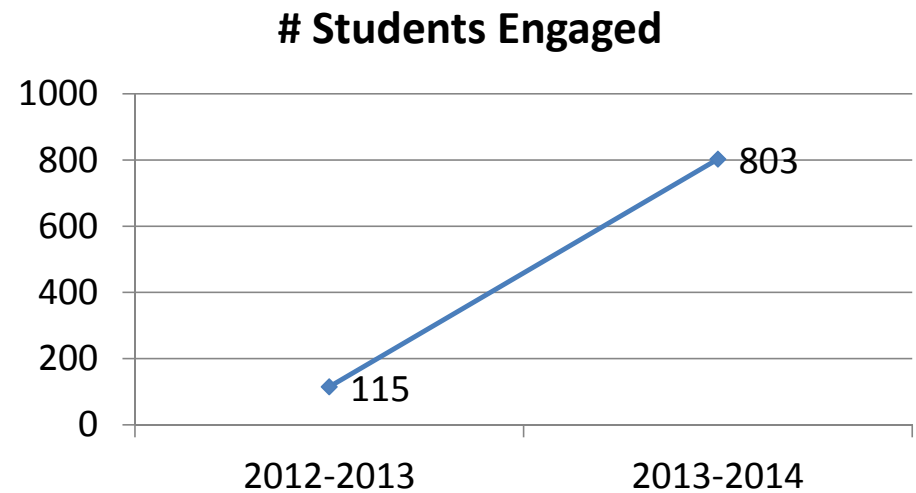
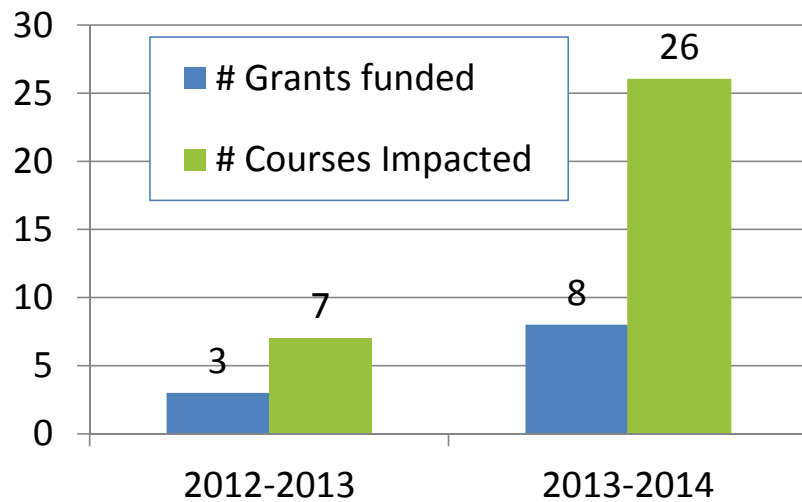
1. Establish an Undergraduate Research and Inquiry (URI) **Rich Curriculum**
2. Expand **Co-curricular** URI Opportunities
3. Increase **Support and Recognition** for Faculty and Students Engaged in URI
4. Enrich and Strengthen URI **Culture and Climate**

## Goal 1: Curriculum

1. Faculty Curriculum Grants Program
  - Seed funding to integrate research into undergraduate courses and programs.
2. Honors Initiatives
3. Freshman Learning Community Initiatives



## Goal 1: Curriculum Grants Program



## Goal 2: Co-curricular

2012

- Undergraduate Research Grants
- Undergraduate Research Symposium



2014

- Undergraduate Research Grants
- Undergraduate Research Symposium
- **Florida Atlantic Undergraduate Research Journal**
- Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- Students presenting and receiving awards at regional and national conferences
  - National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Florida Undergraduate Research Conference, Life Sciences South Florida Undergraduate Symposium,
- Soliciting external funds



## Goal 2: Co-Curricular Number of Students involved

Program	2012-2013 Numbers	2013-2014 Numbers
Undergraduate Research Grants (Boca and Broward)	71	94
Undergraduate Research Symposia (Boca, Broward and Jupiter)	254	447
Florida Atlantic Undergraduate Research Journal	8	7
FAU Business Plan Competition	40	78
Coastlines	18	17
Remarque	40	80
Undergraduate Law Journal	-	9

## Goal 3: Support and Recognition FACULTY

2011-2012

- QEP focused Faculty Learning Communities

2013-2014

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- Free membership to Council of Undergraduate Research (National Organization)
- Annual Faculty Recognition Event
- Faculty Professional Development Committee
- Faculty Professional Development Workshops
- Faculty Travel Funds



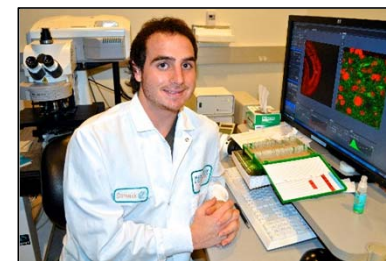


## Goal 3: Support and Recognition STUDENTS

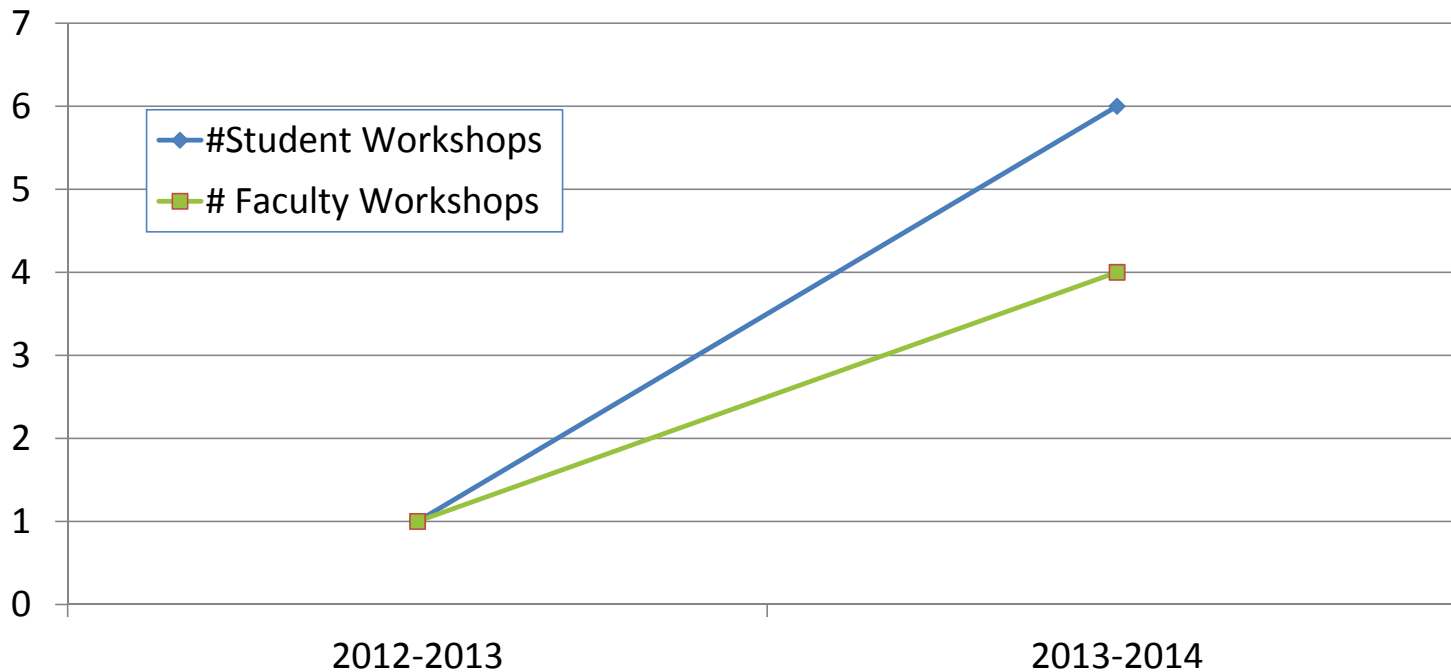
2011-2012

2013-2014

- Council for Scholarship and Inquiry (Student Club)
- OURI website and brochures
- Classroom Presentations
- Peer Mentor Program
- Student Professional Development Workshops
- Presentation Boot-camp
- Free membership to Council of Undergraduate Research (National Organization)
- Showcasing students: Diversity Way banners, Library Display and Student Spotlight campaign



# # Faculty and Student Professional Development Workshops



- . Research Ethics
- . Getting into Graduate school
- . Meeting of the Minds faculty showcase
- . Getting Started in Research
- . Presentation Boot-Camp
- . Conducting a literature review
  
- . Introduction to the Curriculum Grants Program
- . Mapping your curriculum
- . Establishing a Course Plan Worksheet
- . Peer review of your grant

## Goal 4: Culture and Climate

### Infrastructure

- **Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry**
- Five DTD Steering Committees (faculty, staff and students)
- DTD Executive Committee
- OURI Partner Programs

### Communication

- **OURI Website** [www.fau.edu/our](http://www.fau.edu/our)
- OURI Brochures and Social Media
- **Peer Mentors** and **Council for Scholarship and Inquiry** students
- Weekly email announcements to OURI List serve
- Transfer Orientation, Passport to Student Success, Workshops



## Scholarship within DTD

2011-2012

- **Attended** Conference on Undergraduate Research (regional)
- **Attended** SACSCOC Annual conference

2013-2014

- **Presented** at regional and national Undergraduate Research Conferences
- FAU's QEP lauded as an **exemplar QEP by SACS**
- **Invited presentations** to SACSCOC Summer Institute (national)
- **Published** peer-reviewed manuscript in CUR Quarterly
- **Grant submitted** to National Science Foundation
- **Consulted** with Louisiana State University and College of Central Florida on their QEP development
- **Presenting** at upcoming SACSCOC Annual conference

## New Programs and Initiatives

### **Awards and Recognition**

- Distinguished Undergraduate Research Mentor of the Year Award
- Undergraduate Student Researcher of the Year Award

### **Grants**

- **Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF)**

### **Sustainability and Institutionalization**

- College Faculty Liaison to *Distinction through Discovery*
- Establishing an Undergraduate Research Curriculum Committee

**Future:** Research Intensive Course designation and Directed Independent Research Courses

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