On Your Time Initiatives (OYT)
Office of the Provost
“On Your Time is our commitment to timely graduation and reducing student debt. We have re-engineered the academic year so that we teach all twelve months. Now, students don’t have to take an annual summer sabbatical. Instead, they can accelerate their path to graduation, saving time and money.”

Dr. Harris Pastides – 2015 State of the University Address
The mission of On Your Time Initiatives is to ensure that all students have the opportunity to graduate on time.
First-Year Retention

FT/FT Freshman Retention Rate
Graduation Rates

FT/FT Freshman Graduation Rates

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What is On Your Time?

Summer Semester

• Restructured to promote ease of scheduling a full course load
• Scheduling classes needed for retention & progression
• No classes on Fridays – used for student support services
• Summer tuition for a full load matches that of Fall and Spring
What is On Your Time?
(continued)

Supplemental Course Offerings
• Including online, evening, weekend, and accelerated classes

Non-Degree Students
• Including transient, concurrent, and exchange students

Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver
• SC residents who are age 60+
• Tuition is waived – Students must pay fees
• Students register on the first day of classes each semester
How can you help?

• Tell OYT about the undergraduate degrees in your unit that can be completed in less than four years. We’ll begin promoting accelerated degrees in the Fall of 2017.

• Tell others about the services and programs that are located in OYT so that we can better assist students. *Sending students to OYT allows us to assist them in navigating the University BEFORE they get frustrated.*

• Suggest supplemental course offerings to meet the demands of your students. OYT pays a standardized stipend to all instructors teaching “Y” classes.

• Consider other ways that your area can partner with OYT to encourage retention of students and progression toward degree completion.
What can we do to help you?

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