

Special Populations Minutes from July 9 Meeting

Attendees: Andrea Williams, Dr. Pinckney Epps, Heidi Waltz, Rachel Denmark, Brittney Vereen, Samantha Malpass, Tara George, Donna Watson

Absent: Dawn Hiller, Valeria Bates

We discussed three special population groups—Opportunity Scholars students, Honors College students, and Veterans. For all three groups, we defined the use of the DegreeWorks Planner.

Opportunity Scholars

The Opportunity Scholars office will continue to house their course planning notes in the DegreeWorks audit notes area as they have in the past in order to meet the terms of their grant. The Opportunity Scholars advisors will have access to the notes feature in the DegreeWorks Planner.

Honors College

Beginning Summer 2019, the Honors College advisors will create an Honors College plan showing Honors College courses only and a major plan for Fall 2019 courses for incoming Freshmen. The FYA will review, save, and lock the major plan after orientation, becoming the owner of the plan. The Honors College will have a plan for at least one semester ahead for all Honors College students. Academic colleges will be encouraged to merge the stand-alone Honors College plan with the academic college plan to provide a complete student plan.

Veterans

It is important that the correct classes are shown for veterans who are receiving the GI bill benefits. For veterans, advisors will build a full DegreeWorks plan so veterans can see their projected graduation date. This plan will help them determine if their benefits will cover their full educational plan.