

Budget Planning Summit: Breakout Group 5

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Recommendations

List 5-7 strategies in pursuit of institutional innovation.

1. Student Centered Academic Plan
2. Teaching/Pedagogy/Cognitive Research Center
3. Student-unity Focus
4. Leader in Interdisciplinary and Collaborative Education
5. Internationalization
6. Paradigm Shift on How We View Our First Two Years
7. Develop Long-Lasting Culture to Develop and Implement and Cognitive Innovation

Strategy 1 - Student Centered Academic Plan

Strategy: Radford University will allow flexibility in adapting to changing needs of the marketplace by permitting a variety of classes, co-curricular experiences, active learning educational strategies for a designer driven degree

- Opportunities: Marketing potential. Student owning their education plan. Students will be more competitive for the changing needs of the workforce.
- Challenges: SACS, SHEVC, Switching from credit hours vs. competency based, more academic advising

Strategy 2 - Leader in Interdisciplinary and Collaborative Education

Provide more well-rounded students ready to enter the open marketplace by fostering connections between disciplines, in and beyond academia and borders.

- Opportunities: Breakdown barriers between departments. Collaboration with co-op programs, international institutions. Expanding global awareness
- Challenges: Departmental buy-in, administrative/institutional structure. Resource allocation

Strategy 3 -Paradigm Shift on How We View Our First Two Years

Rethinking our competition.

- Opportunities:
 - Take advantage of the VCCS 2 years free
- Challenges:
 - Regulatory environment,
 - Perception of dummying us down