

Year in Review

Action Steps

In light of the new [strategic direction](#) of the University can you modify your action steps or develop new action steps that will aid in the implementation of the University's Strategic Indicators?

Residential Life is committed towards community engagement and has started the process of seeing how we can get more commitment from the ISU community for Special Olympics. Nancy Rodgers is working with us to see how we can motivate students, faculty and staff as well as community folks to be more involved since ISU is home for Special Olympics. Nancy is looking at possible student internship opportunities for community engagement. We are looking at fund raising activities for organizations throughout next year. This is an opportunity for ISU to help the State of Indiana with community Service.

Do you have any further progress you would like to report?

The Leadership Community has expanded and will continue for next year. We are adding Early Childhood Education, Special Education and Elementary Education to our theme housing. We will also be expanding our Nursing Theme Housing. The E-Res project should be up and running next fall. We are hoping to renovate Burford for theme housing depending on State approval. We will be working more closely with Special Olympics this summer to see if we can generate more community and ISU support for this event.

Assessment

What are two ways in which you evaluated the quality or effectiveness in your area last year? What changes did you make based on those assessments?

Implications and Suggestions concerning Learning community for College of Nursing:
Nursing faculty and the Office of Residential Life need to be more purposeful in their involvement of faculty in these "outside the classroom" experiences. Because students realize the benefit of meeting with the faculty members, perhaps specific attention could be applied to creating unique ways to involve the faculty in the residence halls.

Suggestions for continued improvement are listed below:

1. Brainstorming session with nursing faculty how to be involved in the halls (fall)
2. Scheduling meal times for faculty to meet with students
3. Faculty tutor night in the halls
4. Continued shared experiences in community service projects.

Staff Development Program on job searching skills and techniques need to be done fall semester to

be of more benefit to staff and should be repeated every other year.

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Please describe the progress you have made on these action steps.

Our E- Res project will be up and running next year. We are just waiting to get the approval because of all the changes with program. We hope to renovate Burford Hall next year. Our Leadership Community will be expanding and will continue next year. Theme housing is expanding to include Special Education, Early Childhood Education and Elementary Education. We will continue our Experiential Learning and Volunteerism Committee. To set up a communication network for our Residential Life staff alumni.