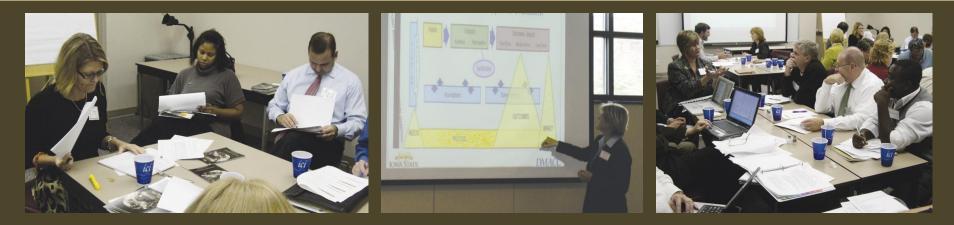




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ISU Internal Advisory Board Meeting

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Agenda

Introductions

Information snapshots

NSF third year review

- Panel review feedback
- SEEC response

Years 4 and 5

- Goals and sustainability: the SEEC effect and partnerships
- Discussion





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Lora Leigh Chrystal Carol Heaverlo

Extension Collaborators

Jay Staker Holly Bignall Nancy Franz

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Other Collaborators

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Other Personnel

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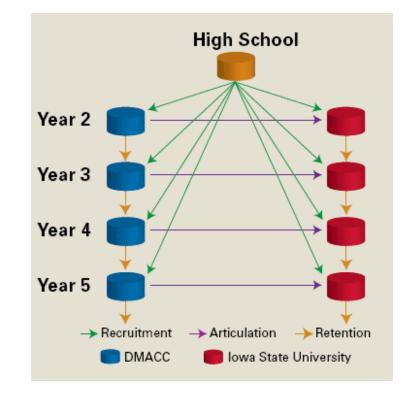
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Overall Grant Goal

Increase College of Engineering graduates to 900, by approximately 100 per year. Included with this goal are increases in the number of pre-engineering students at DMACC and in the percentages of women and minority students in engineering at ISU and DMACC.







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Information Snapshots

- New student enrollment for Fall 2010: 1758
 - Over 150 more engineering students compared to Fall 2009
 - About 100 more freshmen and over 50 additional transfer students

• Among freshmen:

- Resident remained about the same.
- The increase was divided between nonresident and international students.
- Among transfers:
 - The increase in number was comparable between resident and nonresident and matched by an increase in international transfers.





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Information Snapshots

- New student diversity
 - Ethnic minority numbers increased by 5 students and female numbers by 6.
 - Decrease in freshmen women, and an increase in transfer women (from 32 to 50)
 - About one-third of the increase in new transfers were women.
 - The percentage of ethnic minority students among new students remained about the same at 10%.
 - The percentage of female students dropped from 16.4% to 15.2%.





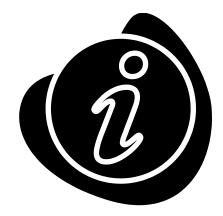
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Information Snapshots

One-minute updates from team members







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NSF Third Year Review – Panel Feedback

- Hallmark of the project: learning communities and retention
- Inter-institution learning village concept and E-APP program
- Key activities cited: networking for DMACC students, engineering orientation course at DMACC, preengineering and pre-professional tracks at DMACC, "Changing the Conversation"-based print and web recruiting materials, NSF S-STEM project (E2020) course and integration into learning communities





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NSF Third Year Review – Panel Feedback

- Activities are based on best practices.
- PIs have been quick to learn and adapt when things do not appear to be working as anticipated.
- Use of logic models for project planning is seen as an innovative strategy.
- Meaningful partnerships have been established.
- Partnership with DMACC has been strengthened and will ensure long-term impact.





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NSF Third Year Review – Panel Feedback

- Recommendations
 - RE: the percentage of women students in engineering at ISU
 - Pursue a strategy that is intellectually rigorous based on all available data.
 - RE: use of the internal advisory boards
 - Follow the NSF expectation for a meeting every six months.
 - RE: project evaluation
 - Explore ways to better measure and document the "SEEC Effect".





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NSF Third Year Review – SEEC Response

- RE: the percentage of women students in engineering at ISU ۲
 - Pursue a strategy that is intellectually rigorous based on all available data.
 - PLTW is not part of ISU's SEEC strategy.
 - The main SEEC strategy is based on the NAE CTC study.
 - The E-TEC program with ISU Extension is ongoing.
 - Additional review and planning with be done with PWSE.
- RE: use of the internal advisory boards
 - Follow the NSF expectation for a meeting every six months.
 - Two meetings were held in 09-10 and will be held each year.
- **RE:** project evaluation ۲
 - Explore ways to better measure and document the "SEEC Effect".
 - This will be discussed later in the meeting.





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Years 4 and 5

- Recruitment and retention activities
- Sustainability: What is working well and should be continued?
 - The SEEC effect
 - What is it?
 - Studies to measure the SEEC effect
 - Partnerships
 - Learning Communities
 - Engineering faculty and curricula (the E2020 effect)
 - ISU Extension
 - Institutional and departmental collaboration