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Ideas for Affording College Tuition

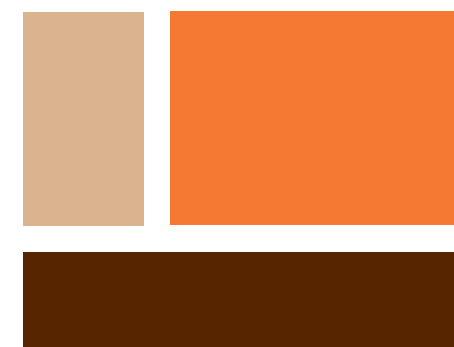




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iACT Mission Statement



- Give students the tools they need to better plan their college experience because we care about their financial well-being after graduation.



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Introduction

- Tasked with proposing ideas for tuition affordability
- Struggled to choose a topic
- Student debt is a crisis today
- Importance of using the **College Credit Plus** program for high school students and keeping students on track to graduate in **Four Years**
- "Challenge the Process", Practice 3 in The Leadership Challenge book - BGSU's CCP program is working well & our recommendations will enhance it.



Strategic Goals

Objective 5: Enhance the quality and value of a BGSU education by developing a physical, organizational, academic, and financial infrastructure that ensures the University's short- and long-term success.

- Advocate the BGSU's CCP program for prospective junior high and high school students
- Ensure BGSU students stay on track to graduate in four years or less



Strategic Goals

Objective 6: Raise BGSU's profile as a national, comprehensive research university that drives the social, economic, educational, and cultural vitality of our region, nation, and world.

- Leverage BGSU's CCP program to help recruit better prepared students and retain those students through graduation
- Employ a CCP Advisor/Advocate to engage with students, school counselors, and admissions representatives



What % of students graduate in 4 years?



31.2%



Only 1 in 3 graduate in 4 years*

*BGSU (2013 Cohort)

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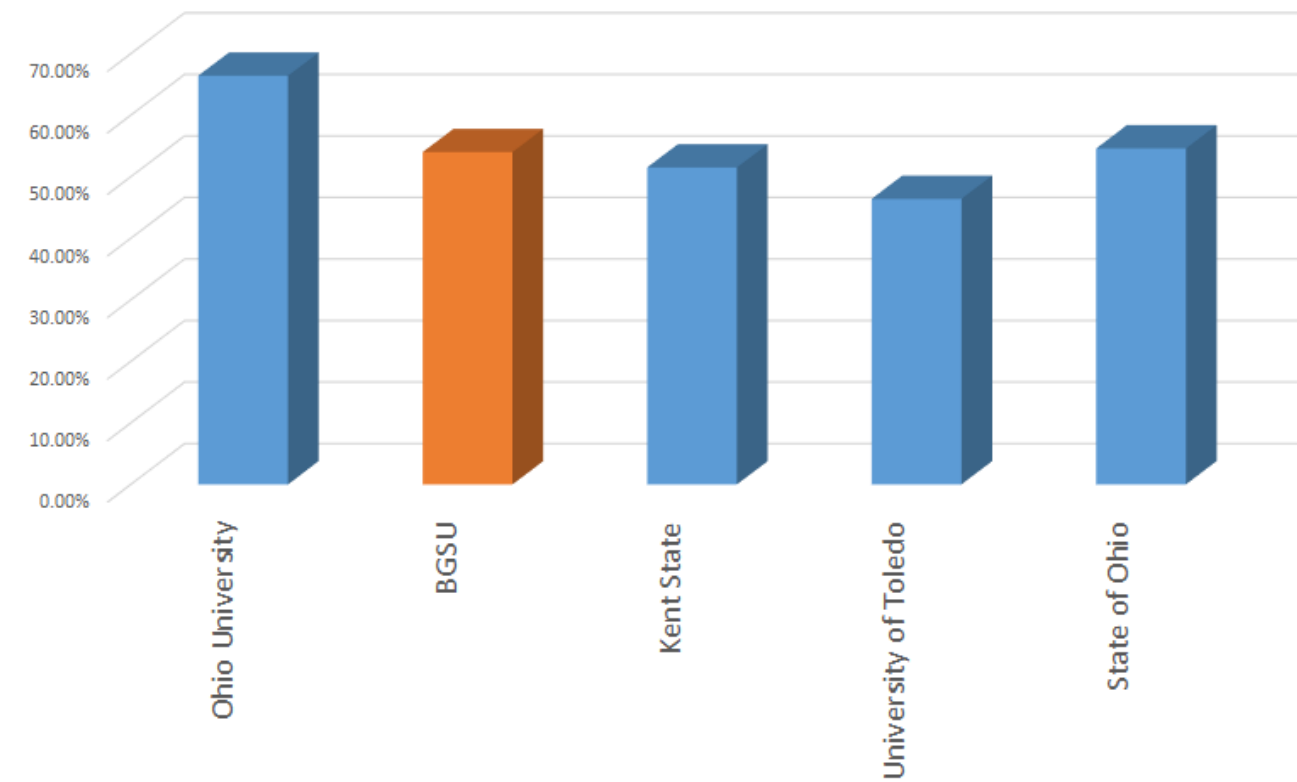
How is BGSU doing?



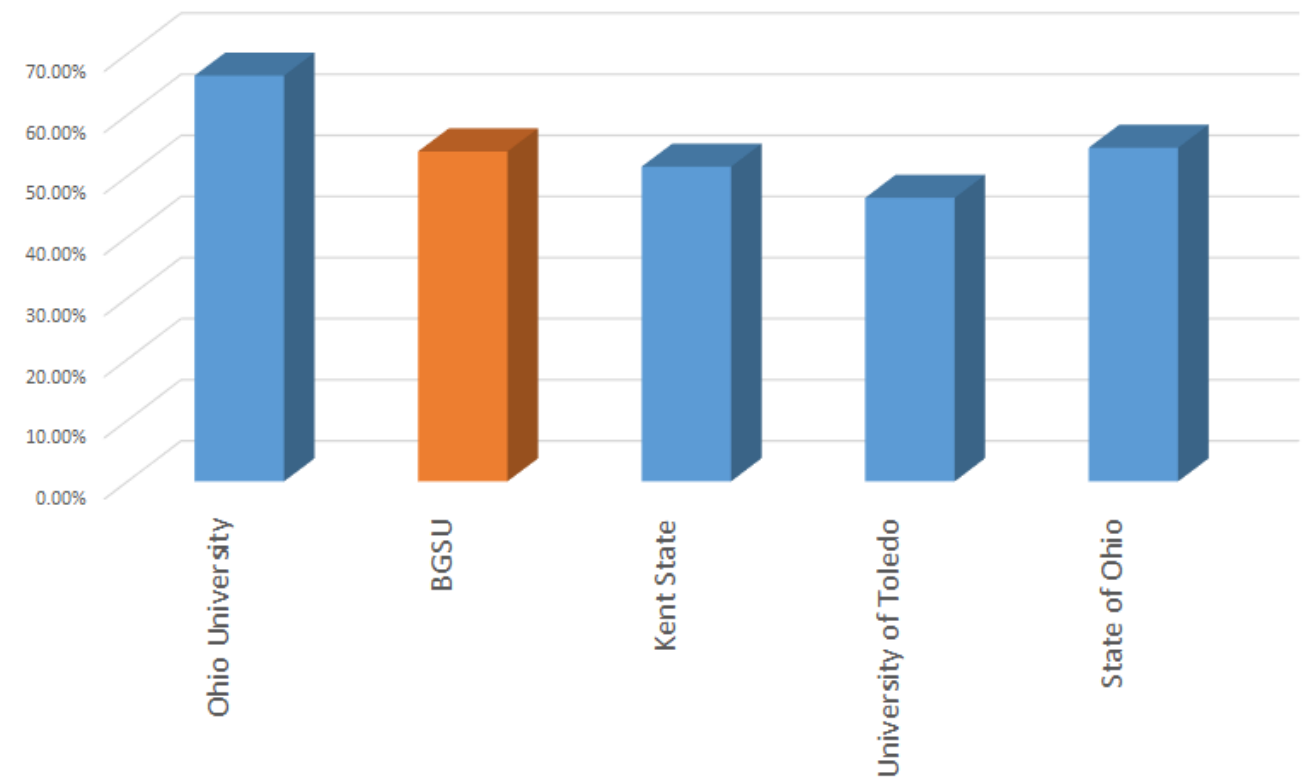
4 year - 31.2%

6 year - 54%

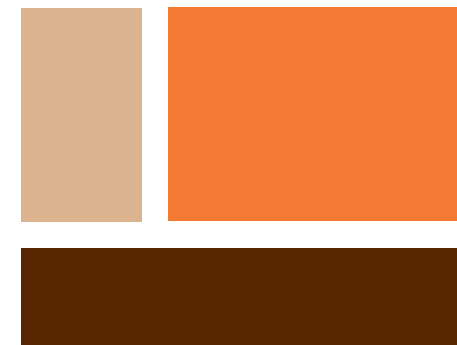
% of students that graduated in 6 years (2013 Cohort)



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The Cost of An Extra Year



Graduating In 4 Years!

Staying An Extra Year!

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The Cost of An Extra Year



- On average, BGSU students graduate with just over \$31,000 in debt.
- Repaying that debt in 10 years, results in \$8,500 in interest. That takes the total cost of tuition and instructional fees to \$51,000.
- Attending BGSU for an extra year would result in an average debt of over \$37,000 causing \$10,300 of interest over 10 years.
- The total cost of an extra year at BGSU including tuition, interest, and lost income* is over \$109,000.

*Based on average starting salary for BGSU grads <https://www.payscale.com>

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What is College Credit Plus?

- Ohio's College Credit Plus (CCP) can help students earn college and high school credits at the same time by taking college courses from a public college or university.
- Public school students can take CCP courses at no cost for tuition, books or fees.
- Classes can be taken on a college campus, online, or at their high school.
- During 2017-18, 12% of all Ohio ninth through twelfth grade students participated in CCP courses.

CCP Impact on Retention



- Students bringing CCP credits had slightly better persistence from fall to spring and notably better one-year retention than students who did not bring credits

Fall 2018 to Spring 2019 Persistence	
Entering with no CCP Credits	88%
Entering with 1-29 CCP Credits	>93%
Entering with CCP Credits from BGSU	>94%

Fall 2017 to Fall 2018 Retention	
Entering with no CCP Credits	69%
Entering with 1-29 CCP Credits	>82%
Entering with CCP Credits from BGSU	>83%



Common Myths of CCP

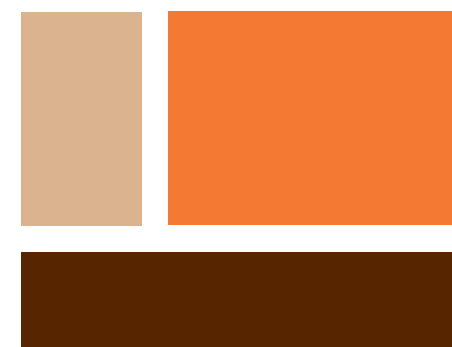
- Classes taken for CCP do NOT count in the GPA – *MYTH!*
- Any credit taken through CCP will count for credits toward a college major – *MYTH!*
- CCP classes will allow seamless transitions to upper level classes (ex. MATH 1310 CCP credit equals readiness for MATH 2320) - *MYTH!*
- Hours transferred in guarantees a shorter time to graduation (60 hours of CCP=2 years until College Degree) - *MYTH!*

CCP Case Study



Jacquelyn L.

- Transferred in 60 hours of CCP credits to BGSU
- Wants Intervention Specialist degree
- Worked with BGSU CCP Advisor to carefully manage CCP courses
- Graduating in 3 years

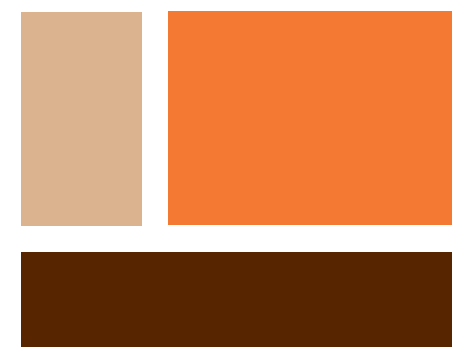


Recommendations

At the High School Level



- Increase transparency for CCP students and parents regarding CCP Pathways
- Provide training for high school counselors
- Require students to consult with BGSU CCP Advisor/Advocate
- Enroll in recommended BGP courses to ensure transferability



Enroll in BGP Courses



Suggestions for CCP Classes

- UNIV 1310 Career and Life Planning (suggest require for all)
- WRIT 1110
- WRIT 1120
- PSYC 1010 Introduction to Psychology
- HIST 1510 or SOC 1010
- Foreign Language (two semesters at 2000+ level)
- MATH 1220 College Algebra



4-Year Pathway Example

Year One				NOTES
Fall Semester		Spring Semester		
WRIT 1110	3	WRIT 1120	3	Complete EDTL 2010, EDTL 2300, and EDIS 2310 during the first year.
BGP Quant Lit (MATH 1150 suggested)	3	CDIS 1230	3	
BGP Nat Science (non-lab)	3	PSYC 1010 or HDFS 1930	4	
BGP Human & Arts	3	BGP H&A/Intl Persp	3	
EDTL 2010	3	EDIS 2310	3	
EDTL 2300	2			
Total Hours	17	Total Hours	16	
Year Two				
MATH 2130 or 2150 (pretest required)	3	To be taken concurrently		
		EDIS 3000	3	
BGP Science (Lab)	3-4	EDIS 3320	3	
BGP Elective	3	EDIS 3330	3	
PEHE 3330 or ARTE 3820 or MUED 2450 or HDFS 2300	2-3	EDIS 3100	3	
		EDIS 3020	3	
PSYC 3030 or 3040	3			
Total Hours	14-16	Total Hours	15	
Year Three				
EDIS 3210	3	To be taken concurrently:		To enter Methods, must have a 3.0 GPA and pass OAE 004 Professional Knowledge
EDIS 3220	3	EDIS 4100	3	
EDFI 2980	3	EDIS 4110	3	
EDIS 4120	3	EDIS 4530	3	
ENG 3420 or 3440 or 3450	3	EDIS 4660	3	
BG P elective		Additional course:		Prior to Student Teaching, must pass OAE 043 SPED General Knowledge
		EDIS 3310	3	
Total Hours	18	Total Hours	15	
Year Four				
Methods Block		Student Teaching		Prior to graduation, must pass OAE 090 Reading
EDIS 4400	3	EDIS 4920	13	
EDIS 4410	3	EDIS 4930	3	
EDIS 4420	3			
EDIS 4440	3			
EDIS 4450	3			
EDIS 4460	3			
Total Hours	18	Total Hours	16	

At BGSU



- Hire CCP Advisor/Advocate
- Provide more transparency with CCP Pathways and Majors at BGSU
- Have a BGSU Advisor Contact (in each major) available to assist CCP Students
- CCP Website Redesign



In Conclusion

Being purposeful and intentional about CCP course choices (CCP Advocate, Website Redesign)



Guiding students through a prescriptive pathway to graduate from BGSU in 4 years (Careful Advising, Course Pathways)



Affordable College Experience



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