

Guttman Community College

Academic, Career, & Financial Planning

Description

In 2015-2016 Guttman developed a set of ePortfolio Educational Planning (eP2) modules for academic and career planning.

- Modules: Personal SWOT Analysis, What's My Major?, and Personal Statement Bank
- All students complete these modules in their Bridge program and their year-long student success seminar
- Modules help students organize their thinking and reflect on their academic identify and career trajectory

Impact on Student Supports

The eP2 has transformed the student advising experience:

- First Year Advisors review eP2 with students in class and during one-on-one meetings.
- Second Year Advisors review completed modules to:
 - Aid in the transition from first year experience to program of study
 - Get to know students prior to working with them
- Advisors have a more holistic picture of each student who they are and what they bring to their academic experiences

Top Successes

- The eP2 has changed the culture of advising at GCC; reviewing and giving feedback on the eP2 modules is now integrated into the advising process.
- Advisors more fully understand the benefit of using ePortfolio as part of developmental advising.

Challenges

• Building in scaffolding to better guide students towards deeper, more integrative reflections that connect their goals with their academic and career plans.

