# 2016-17 Department Student Success Plan Assessment Report [Psychology]

Please answer the following questions in two pages and submit to your Dean by October 2. Your Dean will offer you feedback by Oct. 16 and advance final version<sup>1</sup> to Academic Affairs by October 20. This report will inform your 2017-18 Student Success Plan update that will be due to your Dean by Nov. 3. Previous report and plans can be found at this website: <a href="http://irt2.indstate.edu/cms7/sp16/index.cfm/department-plans/">http://irt2.indstate.edu/cms7/sp16/index.cfm/department-plans/</a>.

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**1. Specific accomplishments/achievements this past year** (*briefly explain using bullet points, noting any changed/adapted*):

## To promote persistence/completion:

a. Per curricular changes approved in 2015, implemented new 4-cr PSY 375 (statistics) classes. Recommended tutor for Math center and encouraged use. (Evaluation upcoming).

### To promote retention:

b. Worked with college to develop new freshman major orientation that introduced students and many faculty in a game-like atmosphere.

## To promote retention & persistence:

- c. Worked to encourage greater involvement of student organizations in department (e.g., included student organizations in planning/executing orientation of new PSY students).
- **2. Objective/Actions Not Achieved** (*briefly explain using bullet points*):
  - a. Evaluation of success of PSY majors in majors vs non-majors section not completed (Not enough faculty to sustain majors only section).
- 3. Attention areas going forward as informed by 2016-17 retention, completion, course completion ratio, credit hour productivity, and D/F/drop rate data provided as well as other Blue Report or departmental data (briefly explain using bullet points).
  - a. CCR rates seem to be moving in wrong direction. Suggests need to monitor/review (a) patterns in specific courses as well as (b) advising practices.
  - b. DFDr rates also seem to be moving in the wrong direction. Renews need to evaluate expectations currently set for some undergraduate courses (including PSY 101).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dean will request a refinement to the report if it is not suitably addressing the questions. Report will be shared with Trustees.