Chabot College Student Educational Goal Groups Focus on Explorer (Undecided) Students

Our Strategic Plan goal is:

"Increase the number of students that achieve their educational goal within a reasonable time."

But students have different educational goals! What number should increase? What is a reasonable time?

To answer these questions, we identified ten unique groups of students and are following their progress towards their goals. Each group has a different educational goal, pace of progress (units) and starting place (English assessment).

Explorers are the 8% of students who say they are undecided about their educational goal. However, they look and act like they have degree or transfer goals like **Lasers** and **Seekers**, so they may not be as undecided as they say. They are similar in age, math levels, and early decision status as **Seekers**, and complete English 1A at a similar rate. Are they attending part-time because they are undecided, or are they are undecided because they are part-time? Altogether, **Lasers**, **Seekers**, and **Explorers** made up 82% of new students in Fall 2014. Who are the others?

Defining Student Educational Goal Groups

Educational Goal	Units	English Assessment	Educational Goal Groups
Transfer or Degree (Need GE)	Full-time	College Level	1. Laser College
		Basic Skills Level	2. Laser Basic Skills
			3. Laser Not Assessed
	Part-time	College Level	4. Seeker College
		Basic Skills Level	5. Seeker Basic Skills
			6. Seeker Not Assessed
Undecided	6 + units	Any	7. Explorer
Other Groups Appearing Soon!			8.
			9.
			10.





