

Why Pathways? Why Now?

Research shows that students are more likely to **complete on time** if they **identify a career goal** early on, have a **clear outline of the courses required**, and **receive consistent guidance and support along the way**.

1,350 Grossmont Students **BUT...**

Earned a Degree

in 2016/17



- Only **13%** finished in 2 years.
- **40%** graduated in 4 years and **more than 50%** took longer than 4 years to complete.
- While the majority of students start in below college level courses, they only represent **25%** of all degree earners!



Four Pillars of Guided Pathways



Create clear curricular pathways to employment and further education.

As a college, we currently do not have clear student roadmaps for course sequences and support services that lead to specific careers/employment and further education.



Help students choose and enter their pathway.

For a 60 unit degree, students are attempting 90 units and earning 70 units! This can negatively impact our students financially, academically, and personally.



Help students stay on their path.

25% of our students drop off between fall and spring and about **50%** of our students drop out from fall to fall (15-16).*



Ensure that learning is happening with intentional outcomes.

We are working towards scaling and evaluating our high impact programs and practices to ensure students are learning what they need to succeed in their future studies/ careers.