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This workshop will:

- Introduce Peer Coaching
- Investigate skills involved in coaching such as:
 - effective listening
 - paraphrasing
 - building rapport & trust
 - asking good questions
- Explore the coaching cycle and your role within it



"Dreams don't come true, goals do and goals without plans are just dreams."

- Drew Dudley (2010)

- What are your goals for your involvement in this role?
- ❖What is "MUG Leading"?



MUG Leading Beyond Imagine

September – December

Who's Involved?

- New-to-Arts First Year Students (FY)
- MUG Leaders (YOU!)
- Arts Student Development (Tracey, Courtney, Brendan/Laura)

What Changes?

- ❖ Squad Leaders complete their role at end of September ☺
- After Imagine, Arts Student Development becomes YOUR FIRST POINT OF CONTACT



MUG Leading Beyond Imagine

September – December

MUG Leaders (YOU!) ...

- Learn (Training Sept. 4, 5)
- Coordinate (2 Gatherings)
- Coach (One on Ones with each FY in MUG)

Date	Time	Activity
Sept 4	10am-4pm	Development Day
Sept 5	9:30am-4:30pm	Imagine Run-Through Day
Sept 7-Oct 24	7 weeks	One on Ones: Learning Plan
Oct 24-Oct 29	1 week	Gathering #1: CLASS
Nov	4 weeks	Gathering #2: Your Choice



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"When the deepest part of you becomes engaged in what you are doing, you are doing what you were meant to be doing."

- Gary Zukaf (1989)

❖Think about a positive experience in which you were coached/mentored/learning ... what made it positive?



Coaching: What is it?

Coaching Definition:

<u>Provoking thought</u> to facilitate action, fine-tune a skill, OR achieve a goal.

(Debbie Payne & Erna Hagge)

Connects. Inquires. Collaborates. Engages. Supports.



You Are:

A Mentor & A Coach

A Mentor...

- part consultant/part coach
- shares specific expertise with an individual, while at the same time,
- supports the development of the individual's own capacity and abilities in that area.

A Coach...

- helps a well-functioning person reach higher levels of personal or professional success, based on individual's own experiences
- focuses on development & enhancing individual's effectiveness → self-discovery.



Types of Coaching

- Academic Coaching
- Wellness Coaching
- Involvement Coaching
- Transition to University Coaching





Academic Coaching

- Peer supported guidance to develop or hone personalized academic goals
- Support in action plan for academic success
- Process of referral to resources for academic and resource exploration

"Success isn't something that just happens - success is learned, success is practiced and then it is shared."

Sparky Anderson



Wellness Coaching

- Raised awareness of students needs and possible referrals regarding:
 - Sleep habits
 - Healthy eating
 - Managing stress
 - Physical activities
 - Mental wellbeing



Involvement Coaching

- Peers assist student exploration of involvement opportunities which best suit the individual
- Helps students find answers versus giving them the answer
- Referral of students to appropriate campus resources for involvement and resource exploration



Transition to University Coaching

- Providing empathetic and normalizing support of possible transition experiences:
 - Finding social networks
 - Autonomy, and the responsibility that results from it
 - Engaging with professors and teaching assistants
 - Time management
 - etc



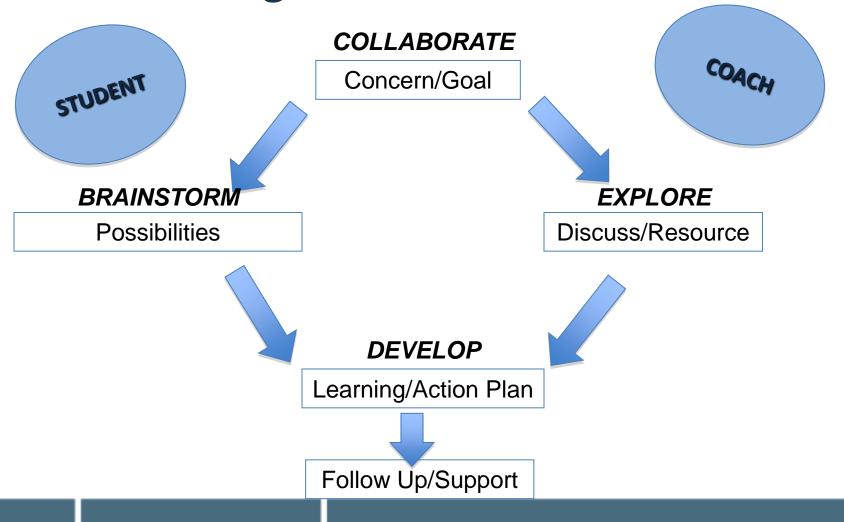
Why Coach?

Positive effects on a students' experience at University:

- Academic performance
- Community: social engagement
- Career exploration



The Coaching Process





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The Coaching Process

COLLABORATE with the student to understand the issue. Ask a lot of open ended questions such as those starting with "WHAT..."

BRAINSTORM possibilities with the students to learn what they have done before, what their interests, strengths and passions are.



The Coaching Process

EXPLORING resources and opportunities together. You get to share with them, what you wish you had known. Be mindful of your limitations

Help them **DEVELOP** an action plan.
Share your process, but own it. Ask, "What is your first step?"





The Coaching Skills

build rapport & credibility

empathy & understanding positive encouragement & support

active listening

SOLER

paraphrasing & checking your perceptions

- thought-provoking questions
- goal setting (SMART)
- offer referrals to resources



Trust = Rapport + Credibility

"Why should they trust me?"

takes time to build—be patient & consistent

- 1) Pay attention
- 5) Smile with confidence

2) Focus on listening well

4) Communicate clearly

3) Be welcoming



Be An Active Listener: SOLER

*non-verbal listening cues

Square up to the person

Open posture

Lean forward

Eye Contact

Relaxed body language

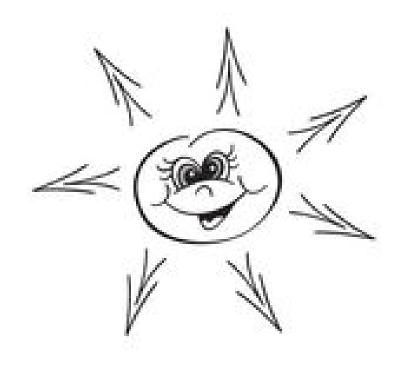


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More on Active Listening...

*verbal listening cues

Paraphrasing: lets student know the meaning you have heard
"Do you mean..."
"So what you are saying is..."

<u>Perception Check:</u> describes what you perceive student to be feeling.

"I get the impression that..."

"It sounds like you feel..."

Be open & non-judgmental



Ask Thought-Provoking Questions

- Opening What is motivating you? What is the goal? What are the possibilities?
- Probing What does this look like? What would you do differently? What if you do and what if you don't? Give an example?
- ❖ **Action** If you had free choice in the matter, what would you do? What are possible solutions? What is your game plan?
- ❖ **Block** What might get in the way? What habits of yours may slow the process? What else is on your plate?
- Closing What are your "take-aways"? How would you describe what you have learnt? What is next?



Help Set SMART Goals

S – Specific

M - Measurable

A – Attainable

R - Relevant

T – Timely





You as a Coach →

Establish Rapport

Establish Credibility

Encourage, be persistent, be patient

Referrals, where necessary

Encourage action through the learning plan...





So what?

... why was this covered today?

... how might this serve you?

Great coaching starts with great caring—your time & presence is, ultimately, your best gift



Practice Makes Perfect

Partner 1 – Student

•Think about a real-life challenge/goal you are currently facing/striving toward

Partner 2 – Coach (YOU)

- •Go through a "coaching session"
 - Identify goal/concern Possibilities Resources Action Plan
 - Think about the types of questioning you are going to use
 - Partner 1 develops an action plan through coaching from Partner 2

SWITCH ROLES!

