Program Functions

The major function of this office is to screen, select and prepare a minimum of 75 high-risk non-traditional adults coming from regionally disadvantaged areas and/or from multiple problem families for University admission and enable them to maintain themselves in a full-time University program. Participants will be with or without high school diplomas, who are normally inadmissible to a four-year degree program. Specifically:

1. To conduct an intensive residential summer orientation and instructional program to prepare the student for a regular Freshmen program through (1) using diagnostic instruments to assess areas of academic weakness and planning developmental assistance; (2) informing and acquainting the students with the academic community, its services and demands.

2. To provide during the Freshmen year, supportive services to maximize the learning experience of developing students through (1) individual and group counseling to overcome problems and to enhance personal growth; (2) preparing students to seek and utilize the existing campus resources and services.

3. Acculturation of the students to University life by providing residential experiences and co-curricular activities.

4. Establish on-going evaluation processes to measure effectiveness of program goals and services.

5. To provide management and general support for Operation Hanong that is a program designed to provide University students with knowledge of and field experience with multicultural education and the education of immigrant children.