Campus Report on HGI Activities 2014-2015

Campus: UH Hilo

Goals for 2014-2015

- Increase number of degrees/certificates awarded.
- Increase number of degrees/certificates awarded to Native Hawaiians
- Increase dollar amount dispersed in Pell grants.
- Increase the number of STEM degrees awarded.

Summary of HGI activities with results as available

The UH Hilo Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (OVCAA) has funded lecturers and faculty overloads to open sections where there was student demand of at least 12 persons. In the spring semester of 2014, the OVCAA funded the offering of 12 sections that served 243 students at census. In the fall semester of 2014, the OVCAA similarly funded 31 sections, serving 733 students at census. This tactic removed bottlenecks for students and increased the number of graduates to some extent. Further data mining will be needed to quantify the effect.

In the current year, our data mining has revealed the existence of a few key bottleneck classes. Certain English 2xx are required in Business Administration and Science majors but were not offered due to staffing shortages. As a result we have made hiring in this area a priority and we expect to remove this bottleneck in the coming academic year.