# Academic Strategy at United States University September 24, 2109

People, Programs, Partnerships

#### Overview

- Present overall strategy for the USU Academic Plan:
  - People
  - Programs
  - Partnerships

(and data) . . .



## People

- Ensure we have the best people in the right seats:
  - Deans
    - CBT
    - COE
    - CONHS
  - Faculty
  - Support



## **Programs and Partnerships**

- Create academic strategic plan, including a programs development and enhancement roadmap for each college.
  - College of Nursing
    - Pre-licensure program
    - CBE RN-BSN
    - Medical Billing and Coding Certificate
    - DNP
    - Partnerships with healthcare systems
    - "Degree Completion" perspective for undergraduate programs (through intentional articulation agreements)

### Programs and Partnerships, continued

- College of Business and Technology
  - MBA International and restructure to 30 credits (from 36) and create a one year completion schedule for less than \$10,000 (current tuition is \$11,700 for 36 credits)
  - BAM and BSIT Articulation, Credit for Prior Learning, Partnerships and focus on "degree completion"
  - Focus on Business Analytics
  - ECC Articulations
  - Obtain additional certifications and accreditations (e.g., ABET, ACBSP, SHRM

### Programs and Partnerships, continued

- College of Education
  - Re-invigorate California Credentialing program through partnerships with districts, charter and private schools and online K-12
  - Obtain teacher licensure in Arizona through potential partnership with Rio Salado College creating a national opportunity
  - Develop a Principal and Superintendent Licensure Program through the MAED
  - Build intentional partnerships with districts and organizations applying online K-12 to bilingual and special education
  - Consider development of an EdS degree and Competency-Based EdD.
  - Explore national accreditation options

#### Process

- Next step: Implement program development protocol and process and timelines (see attached)
- Leadership is committed to working with the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) for guidance on the best ways to increase academic quality and develop and implement new programs
- Review proposed academic-related agenda items in advance of Board of Trustee meetings

#### The role of assessment and data

- Migrate toward integrating the Aspen assessment system into the commended USU assessment protocol resulting in an enhanced culture of assessment
- Commit to using data to inform continuous improvement, demonstrate faculty-student engagement and other active ingredients that uniquely and substantively predict student progression and completion at USU
- Leverage various data sources to inform new program development and existing program improvements and success

### Questions?

