

VALENCIA COLLEGE
Student Affairs Department Action Plan -- WEAVE Online Form
GRAD FINALE PROGRAM

Active Cycle (academic year): 2012-13
Area (Department/Program): Graduation and Records
Person Responsible: Edwin Sánchez

PLAN	
1. Goal- principal purpose and objectives of plan (include how this relates to serving students or increasing student success or supporting LifeMap)	<i>Develop, implement, and assess the new Graduation Information Sessions a/k/a GRAD FINALE (4 programs will be created). Program development will be completed by November 30, 2012, implementation to be completed by March 31 2013.</i>
2. Objectives What will be accomplished and measured	<i>Provide students an overview of what happens at the Annual Commencement Ceremony as well as provide them with an opportunity to satisfy any outstanding obligations prior to graduation and get answers for any commencement needs as they are transitioning out of Valencia in a celebratory environment.</i>
3. Measures and Findings – How specifically measures will be conducted. How will we know the objective has been achieved?	<i>Focus group meeting with Jostens and several department staff from across the college, will conduct student survey for feedback.</i>
4. Action Plan- What is the implementation plan?	<i>In partnership with JOSTENS the cap & gown provider, create 4 Grad Finale programs where students will be provided information regarding their graduation needs. Collaborating with Jostens will provide additional resources to energize the traditional information session/commencement rehearsal we've been conducting and make it more celebratory with signage, tables and balloons.</i>
5. Achievement Summary/Analysis What was learned from the assessment results? What changes will you make in your initiative for the year to come?	<i>The GRAD Finale was a success. A survey was conducted to receive feedback from the attended students. From the feedback we plan to make changes regarding the Question and Answer Session to not make this section mandatory for the students, but have this available on the website and have a more generic session for the students. From the feedback we will also make the GRAD Finale more of a festive similar to a fair that includes food (we have requested funds through student development to purchase food has been completed waiting for approval), games and prizes to celebrate those students who have made these successful achievements.</i>
6. General Education Learning Outcome	<i>Although the GRAD Finale was a success, not all campuses departments were represented at the four helped sessions. Will work on enhancing communication plans for future events. We also modify how Tickets and Cap/Gown pick up- Create better methods of students who pick up tickets and cap and gown. Such as staggering pick up times to help with lines based on the student last name or programs.</i>
7. Strategic Plan Outcome	<i>The GRAD Finale was a success; we will continue to modify the program to improve student's experience.</i>

