

# Optimizing the Student Experience

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### **Objectives**

- Describe the ways to optimize the student clinical experience
- Explore the differences in students today
- Examine the changes in today's healthcare system that impact student learning
- Discuss strategies to push the envelope for optimization of the student experience
  - Undergraduate students
  - Graduate students

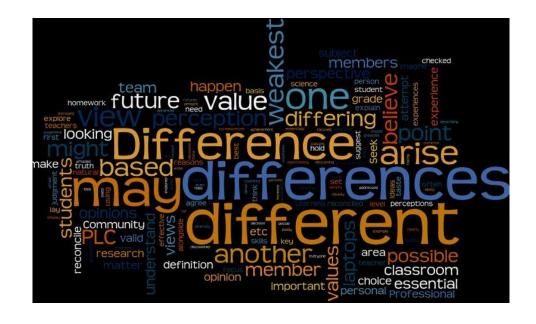
#### The differences in students today:

Greetings, Gizmos, Google.....



#### **Student Differences**

- Learner Attributes
  - Preferences
  - Aspirations
  - Resources
  - Experience
- Learner Variances
  - Age
  - Culture
  - Ethnicity
  - Gender
  - Motivation
  - Socioeconomic Status

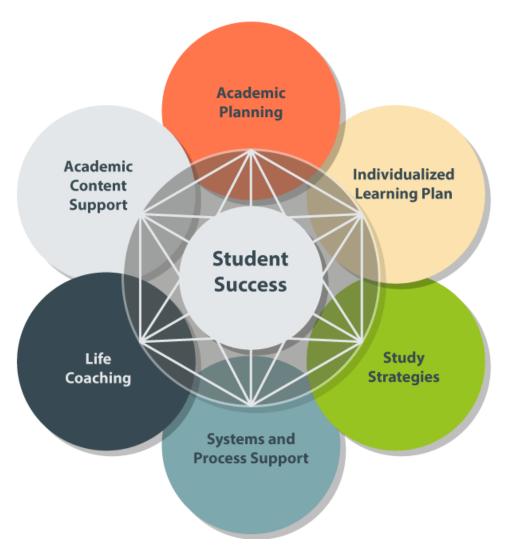


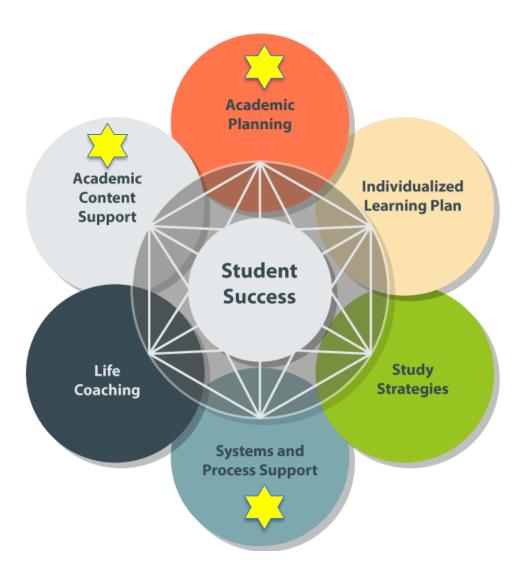
Anderson, 2016; Beetham & Sharpe, 2013; Bowen & McPherson, 2016; Merriam & Bierema, 2014)

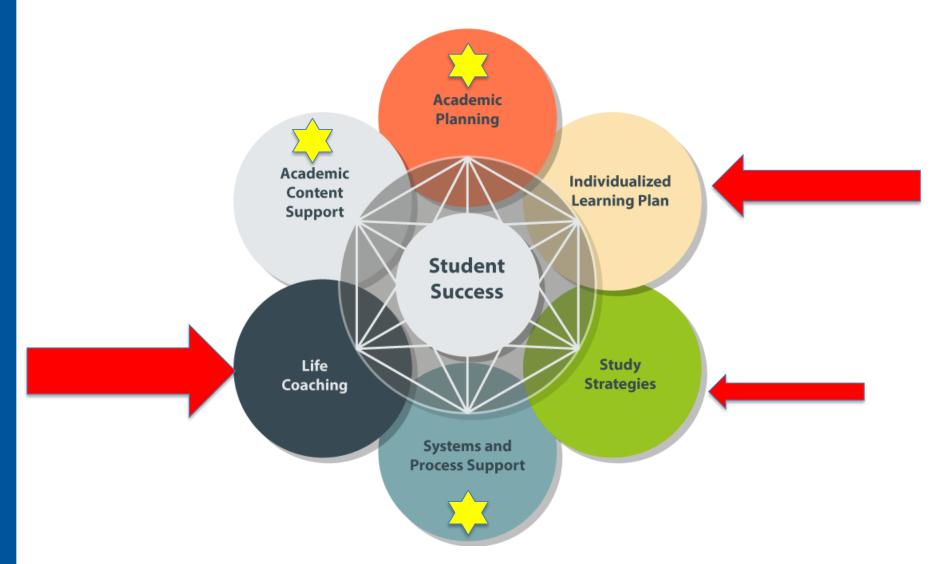
# Changes in today's healthcare system

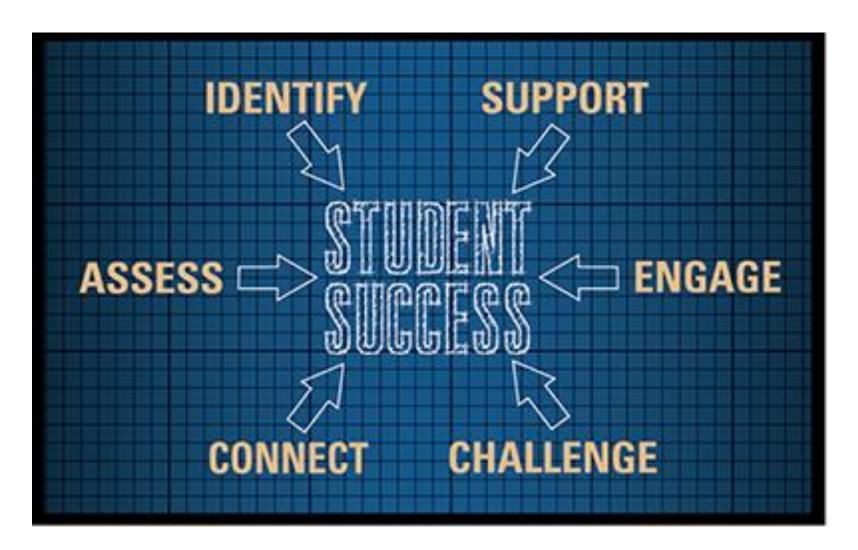
- Evidence based practice
- Changing demographics of nurses; staff and faculty
- Technology, EHR, patient acuities, staff ratios
- Sicker people at home or LTC, polypharmacy, valuebased care vs volume
- Fees for placements, lack of clinical sites, simulation substitution
- High expectations for pursuing higher education and its relationship to quality patient care and outcomes

- Undergraduate
- Graduate









- Determine how your students learn best
- Help them set realistic goals
- Help them identify an accountability partner
- Make it personal!

Chambliss, 2014; Thomas, McIntosh, & Mensik, 2016

- Address poor academic performance early
- Identify poor attendance and study skills
- Notice minimal social support
- Help with lack of time management skills
- Look for solutions to financial barriers
- Provide adequate information regarding academic support services
- Welcome and support cultural differences in your students

### **Summary-Objectives Met**

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#### **Questions?**

Thank you!

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