Hope Institutional Research Mission Statement
Collect, maintain, analyze, and disseminate accurate, consistent, and timely data for and about the academic and operational programs of the college in support of college planning and decision-making and to support public constituencies in evaluating and monitoring the nature and quality of the institution.

Hope Institutional Research Functions
Special Projects
- Conduct ad hoc studies and provide information requested by administration, departments, and committees on topics relevant to the College.
- Assist faculty in preparing institutional data for grant proposals.

Data Maintenance
- Develop, maintain, and analyze institutionally relevant information in support of the College’s planning, assessment, and decision-making activity.

Data Reporting
- Report accurate statistical information about the College to external agencies.
- Inform the College community about results of studies through regularly published reports, summaries, and updates.

External Data Requests
- Coordinates the college’s response to national statistical surveys, questionnaires, and other non-routine requests for information.

Data Presentation
- Coordinates and maintains current publications as a source of essential and official facts about the college for both internal and external constituencies.

Data Integrity
- Coordinate, standardize, and verify College data released to the public.
- Review College publications for consistency of information.

Goal Tracking
- Track the College’s performance against long range goals and objectives.

Comparative Analysis
- Participate in comparative, peer-institution studies and analyze and present results.

External Representation
- Participate in relevant consortia and professional organizations on behalf of the college.

Trend Analysis
- Devise a system whereby changes and trends may be tracked and anticipated.

Benefits:
1. Will provide full support for strategic planning.
2. Will provide data in a timely and effective manner in support of decision making, cost containment, college marketing, assessment, and obtaining outside funding.
3. Will enhance the usefulness of data through effective presentation.
4. Will enable institutional data to be analyzed across administrative areas.
5. Will eliminate duplication of effort in data collection, analysis, and reporting.
6. Will provide data in a timely and effective manner to make sure that the college receives full benefit from data consortia such as HEDS and IPEDS.

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