

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: AT-POTENTIAL STUDENTS AND HIGHER EDUCATION

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Abstract

The retention and graduation of at-risk students has become a priority on many college and university campuses across the country. This workshop will help broaden and clarify what is meant by at-risk students, identify general group characteristics, provide ways in which advisors can enhance their effectiveness with this population, and discuss student responsibilities in this process. Two key points in this process are student's self-authorship and moving them from the periphery to the center of campus life. Workshop participants will have the opportunity to utilize case studies, share their personal experiences, and work in small groups to identify key characteristics and advising techniques for special populations.