# HIP4U LEAP Action Plan

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#### General Goal:

Promote LEAP HIPs, especially the engagement of students in multiple HIPs through an intentional pipeline approach involving the University Honors Program, Undergraduate Research Program, and the McNair Scholars Program.

## Planned Actions:

- Promote program awareness
- Enhance Inclusive Excellence
- Maintain/Increase retention and graduation rate

### **Deliverables, Completed Actions:**

- **Cultivated messengers** Contact key personnel of various offices (e.g., Admissions, ResLife, AAEC, FYE, etc) to cultivate a cadre of messengers who have contacts with students.
- **Created Program 'Fact Sheet'** Fact sheet delivered to messengers of the programs, e.g., peer mentors, campus assistants, resident assistants, etc, to disseminate information to students.
- **Delivered message of HIP4U** Information of programs was shared in multiple venues, including PIP, New Student Seminar, Peer Mentors Training, etc.
- **Assess barriers against participation** Began with an evaluation of current cohort size of each program, assess the number of eligible students who are not in the cohort, and determine the reason of non-participation. Work done in

collaboration with ResLife and Office of Institutional Research.

• Track trend of program participation and success of student participants — Work with the Office of Institutional Research to establish a protocol to routinely collect aggregate data of student participants, including demographics, retention, graduation, etc.

### **Notes:**

As expected, as students graduate and faculty and staff move to different positions on campus, the composition of the team changes. Whereas Catherine Chan remains the Director of the Undergraduate Research Program, the Directors of both the McNair Scholars Program and the University Honors Program changed within the duration of this project term. Alex Steeno still works in the joint University Honors Program/Undergraduate Research Program office and is the President of SURO, so he is still serving as an ambassador for the programs to increase awareness. Catherine Chan is committed to working with the current Director of the University Honors Program, Dr. Elizabeth Kim, and the future Director of the McNair Scholars Program to continue the work of HIP4U.