Now Boarding: Building a Strengths-Based Campus

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Session Title:
- Now Boarding: Building a Strengths-Based Campus

Description:
- With over 20 million assessments registered, Gallup’s CliftonStrengths is one of the most widely recognized tools used to identify an individual’s top strengths. Over the past two years, St. Mary’s University has worked towards creating and developing a Strengths-Based campus using Gallup CliftonStrengths for Students. Using CliftonStrengths and the Marianist Values, we are able to help our students become well rounded and discover their vocation. This session focuses on the background, process, and future of what it takes to build a Strengths-Based campus.

Connection to conference theme:
- The purpose of Gallups’ CliftonStrengths is to focus on people’s strengths and how to build their strengths rather than focusing and working on their weaknesses. Through this tool we are able to develop our students into well rounded leaders. Using CliftonStrengths at St. Mary's University, we are able to take the Marianist Values and allow the students to learn how they can use their strengths to support these values and in the end not only develop into their vocation, but allow them to help the common good.

Promotion of the “Principles of Good Practice for Student Affairs at Catholic Colleges and Universities”
- *Enriches student integration of faith and reason through the provision of cocurricular learning opportunities.*
- *Assists students in discerning and responding to their vocations, understanding potential professional contributions, and choosing particular career directions.*

Presentation outline, format and method of delivery:
- Prezi presentation with 2 presenters
- Outline rough draft:
  - Introduction
  - Learning outcomes
  - Overview of Gallup CliftonStrengths
  - Timeline at St. Mary’s University to building a Strengths-Based Campus
  - Boarding Phase
- Take Off
- Flight
- Questions?

Intended audience
- All

Presentation Requirements
- Internet
- Lecture style set up