

**College Themed Communities, 2016-2017 Summary**  
Christine Orgeta, Senior Coordinator for Residential Education and Leadership  
University Housing Services

This year, CTC continued to serve the campus community through providing educationally purposeful activities to the residential community. Events included on campus programs such as advisor mixers, in-community programs with faculty, and off campus experiences related to careers and majors.

New initiatives implemented for 2016-2017 for CTC included rolling out two new communities, which are the transfer themed community and undeclared community. Students from these communities received programming geared towards creating a sense of belonging and connecting students to the resources, they need to be successful. CTC also piloted a guest faculty in residence program where once faculty member was paired with a community to provide continuous programming opportunities. The purpose of both these communities is to connect these types of students to the resources they need to succeed at Cal Poly Pomona.

Programs CTC researched and developed during the 2016-2017 year for 2017-2018 include a faculty in residence program, a continuation of a guest faculty in residence program, and revamp of the intentional interactions program, where resident advisors will interact one-on-one and/or in small groups with residents in order to facilitate conversations to create connections and promote student success. During 2017-2018, CTC will once again look to expand the program to approximately 1250 of the 1400 first year spaces in the traditional halls. The remaining 150 spaces will be a first year co-ed floor and a first year all male floor (exploring a male initiative program).

College Themed Communities assessment for 2016-2017 measurements were expanded to include a breakdown of GPA by URM and Non URM students. Please see table attached. Highlights for this year include the following:

- First year students who participated in College Themed Communities earned GPA's that were 10% higher than those who were first year and non-residential during Fall 2016 and Winter 2017. First year students who participated in College Themed Communities earned GPA's that were 20% higher than those who were first year and non-residential during Spring 2017.
- First year students who participated in College Themed Communities passed an average of 18% more units than those who were first year and non-residential during Fall 2016. During Winter 2017, first year students who participated in College Themed Communities passed an average of 16% more units than those who were first year and non-residential. During Spring 2017, first year students who participated in College Themed Communities passed an average of 27% more units than those who were first year and non-residential.
- First year students who participated in College Themed Communities and identified as URM passed 9% more units than those who were first year, non-residential, and

identified as URM during Fall 2016. During Winter 2017, first year students who participated in College Themed Communities and identified as URM passed 18% more units than those who were first year, non-residential, and identified as URM. During Spring 2017, first year students who participated in College Themed Communities and identified as URM passed 27% more units than those who were first year, non-residential, and identified as URM.

### Total Units Passed

	Overall CTC	CTC URM	CTC Non URM
Fall 2016 Units Passed	13	12	13
Winter 2017 Units Passed	14	13	14
Spring 2017 Units Passed	14	14	14
	Overall Resident Non CTC	Resident, Non CTC, URM	Resident, Non CTC, Non URM
Fall 2016 Units Passed	12	12	13
Winter 2017 Units Passed	13	12	14
Spring 2017 Units Passed	13	13	14
	Overall Non CTC, Non Resident	Non CTC, Non Resident, URM	Non CTC, Non Resident, Non URM
Fall 2016 Units Passed	11	11	12
Winter 2017 Units Passed	12	11	13
Spring 2017 Units Passed	11	11	12

### CTC GPAs

	Overall CTC	CTC URM	CTC Non URM
Fall 2014	3.19		
Winter 2015	3.10		
Spring 2015	3.11		
Fall 2015	3.19	3.03	3.30
Winter 2016	3.13	3.00	3.22
Spring 2016	3.07	2.92	3.16
Fall 2016	3.12	2.94	3.24
Winter 2017	2.85	2.69	3.00
Spring 2017	2.88	2.63	3.04
	Overall Resident Non CTC	Resident, Non CTC, URM	Resident, Non CTC, Non URM
Fall 2014	2.94		
Winter 2015	2.85		
Spring 2015	2.76		
Fall 2015	3.02	2.90	3.11
Winter 2016	2.95	2.84	3.04
Spring 2016	2.95	2.81	3.06
Fall 2016	2.94	2.82	3.03
Winter 2017	2.80	2.60	2.94
Spring 2017	2.78	2.63	2.88
	Overall Non CTC, Non Resident	Non CTC, Non Resident, URM	Non CTC, Non Resident, Non URM
Fall 2014	2.62		
Winter 2015	2.45		
Spring 2015	2.30		
Fall 2015	2.88	2.73	3.04
Winter 2016	2.83	2.69	3.01
Spring 2016	2.77	2.62	2.94
Fall 2016	2.76	2.65	2.93
Winter 2017	2.59	2.49	2.74
Spring 2017	2.4	2.28	2.57