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USING BEHAVIORAL ANALYTICS TO SUPPORT STUDENT RETENTION

April 26



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We will monitor the question box and have time for Q&A at the end of the presentations.



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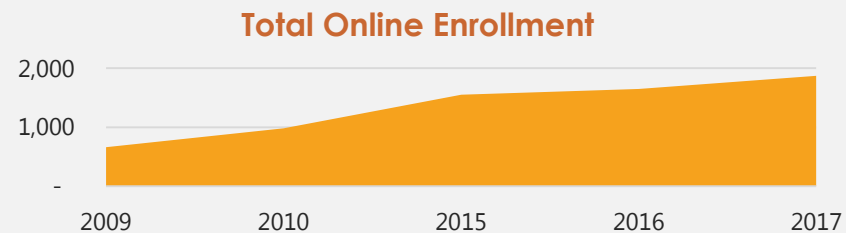
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UTICA: BUILDING A STRATEGIC PORTFOLIO

- Partnership with **Wiley Education Services** began in 2004.
- 14 degrees offered fully online.
- Over 27 distinct specializations and tracks
- 12 online certificate programs
- Online programs available in:
 - Criminal Justice
 - Cybersecurity
 - Business
 - Health
 - Data Science
 - Nursing
 - Physical Therapy

Type	Private not-for-profit
Established	1946
Carnegie Basic	Master's Colleges & Universities: Larger Programs
President	Laura Casamento
Provost	John Johnsen (Faculty)
Undergraduates	3,084
Postgraduates	1,379
Location	Utica, NY, USA



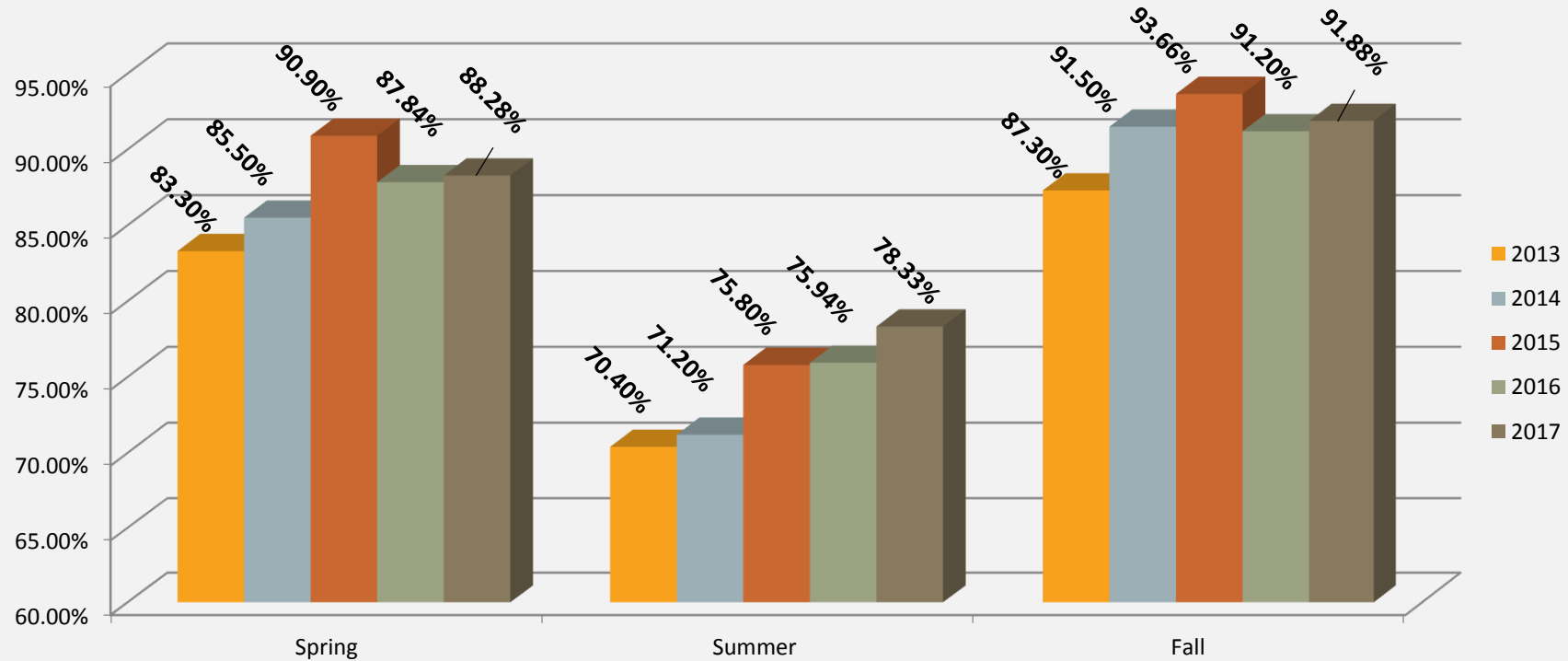
HOW WE CALCULATE RETENTION

We recognize that different institutions may have different ideas of what retention is and how to calculate it. For the sake of this presentation, we are discussing **term-to-term retention**.



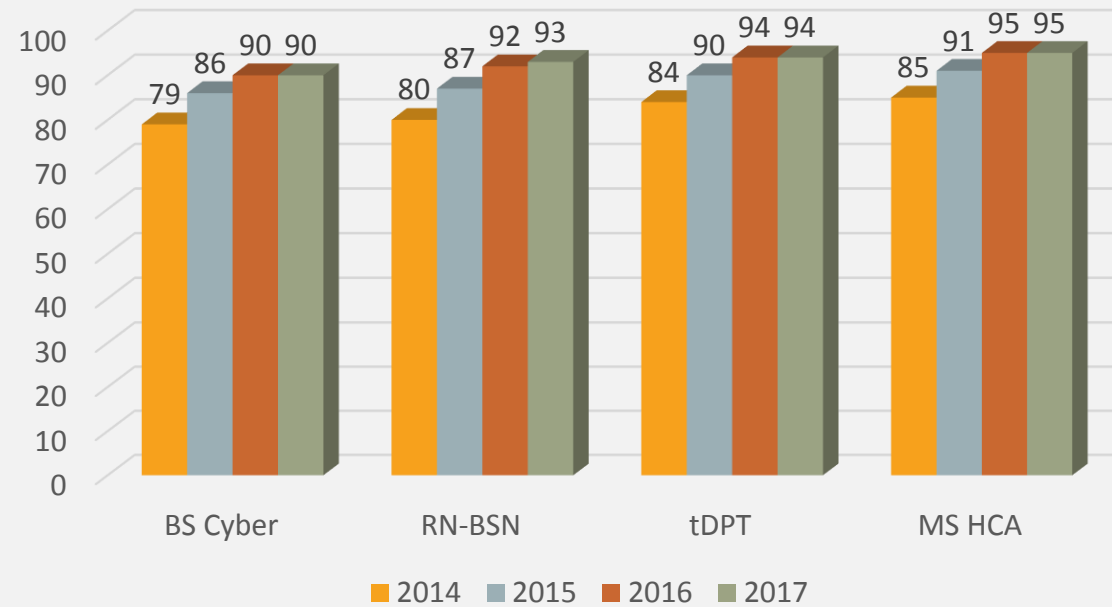
CURRENT ENROLLMENT TRENDS

Retention 2013 to Current



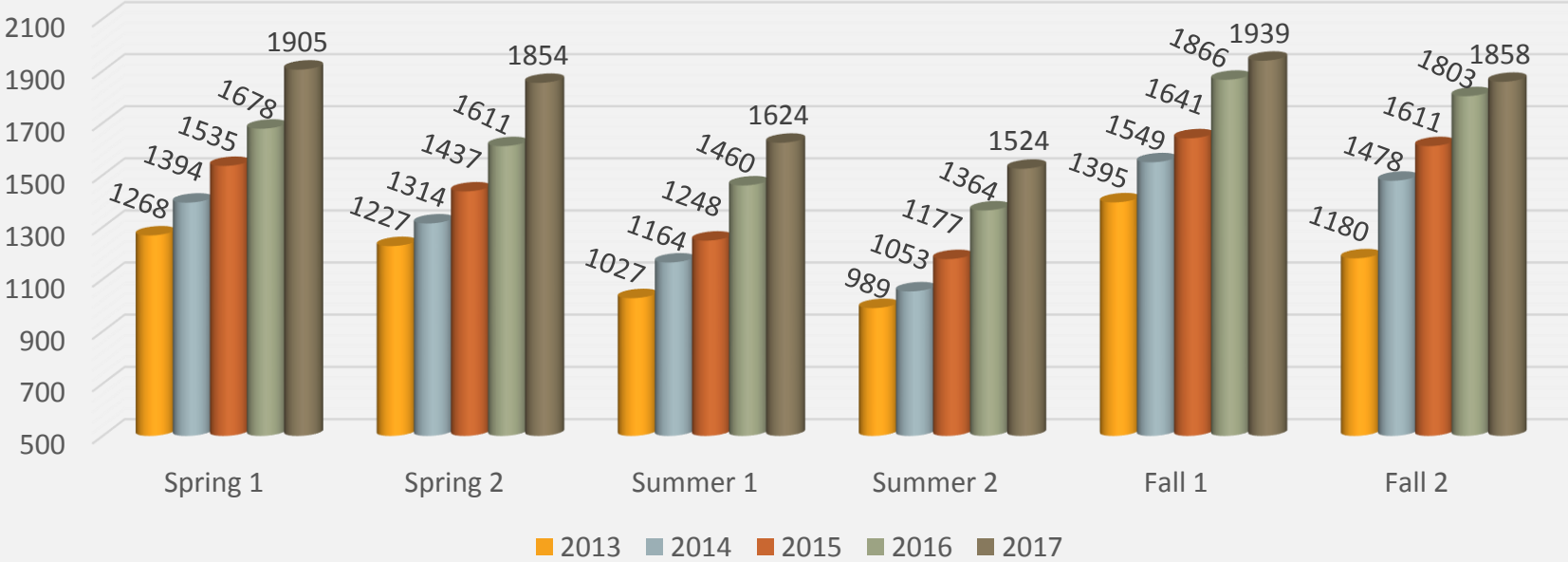
PROGRAMMATIC RETENTION TRENDS

Programmatic Retention Trends –
January Semester



ENROLLMENT TRENDS

Enrollment Growth 2013 through 2017



UTICA BEFORE RETENTION EFFORTS

- **Lack of a centralized administrator managing the portfolio of online programs**
 - Difficulties identifying and resolving concerns regarding enrollment and retention for online programs specifically.
- **Faculty developed courses**
 - Lack of understanding about how to design and teach online courses that meet the needs and expectations of the online student population.
- **In-house student support**
 - Support was provided from start to finish, however the support staff did not have the appropriate training and expertise.
- **Lack of leadership and support for online program directors**
 - Program directors were not connected with their peers across the College. This made every new concern seem unsurmountable and created a feeling of alienation amongst these faculty members.



UTICA AFTER RETENTION EFFORTS

- **Associate Provost for Online Learning**
 - Centralized administrative voice at the Provost Cabinet level to advocate for all online programs.
- **Vice President for Online and Extended Studies**
 - Centralized administrative voice at the Presidents cabinet level to advocate for strategic online program developed growth.
- **Online Program Directors meetings**
 - Regular monthly meetings.
- **Communication plan established**
 - Access to like individuals on the Wiley-UC teams was provided.
- **Wiley Success Coach model adopted**
 - Students were assigned a Wiley success coach, who worked with program directors to create a series of student touch points designed to keep students informed and on track using program-specific content.
- **Wiley Instructional Design team engaged**
- **Partnership Council**
 - Creation of a high-level administrative group to establish goals and review progress quarterly.
 - Working together with the UC team a common course template was established for online courses, training opportunities were put in place for online faculty and a nationally recognized online quality assurance system was selected.



HOW UTICA RESULTS WERE ACHIEVED

Student-centered Approach

Building a relationship: knowing the student.

Finding the best fit: program selection.

Flexibility: anytime/anywhere, but ample opportunities for engagement.

Meeting expectations: Understanding the changing landscape.

Listening and responding to student feedback.

True Partnership

Establishing relationships: Making sure that all team members are:

Being transparent.

Discussing barriers and opportunities.

Being responsive to a changing environment.



PRESENTER 2

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OUR APPROACH TO RETENTION

- **People** – Emphasis on finding the right talent and investing in their growth and development through coaching and training.
- **Process** – Proactive approach to retention with a goal of establishing a trusting relationship before there's an issue.
- **Technology** – Significant investments in technology to allow for real-time reporting and dashboards.



TALENT SELECTION

- While Wiley values and continually invests in technology and innovation, our **people have always been and always will be our best resource.**
- The assessment and hiring process for our student-facing colleagues is comprehensive by design:
 - Multiple (5-7) interviews.
 - Ride-Along with an existing colleague.
 - 3rd Party evaluation.
 - Full background check.
 - Less than 5% of applicants are hired.

Screening for
cultural fit,
education,
experience,
and coach-
ability



ROLE OF THE STUDENT SUCCESS COORDINATOR

- **Collaboration** between Wiley functional areas and the partner institution relationships.
- **Proactive communication plans** that encourage, inform and assist students, faculty and staff.
 - “Concierge” for students and faculty.
- **Utilization of data and analytics** to refine roles, processes and enhance the student experience.



WHAT IS BEHAVIORAL ANALYTICS?

Behavioral Analytics is a revolutionary call recording and analytics system that collects student interaction data to customize recruitment and retention methods and predict student behavior, ultimately improving the student experience.



Call Recording
& Linguistics



Coaching &
Quality



Analytics &
Reporting



Behavioral
Model

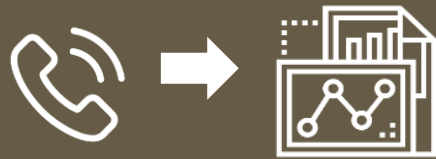


BEHAVIORAL METRICS IDENTIFIED

- The **Behavioral Model** consists of six distinct personality styles, each with their own pattern and preference for communication.
- We are able to **identify the personality style** of the student through linguistics and **adjust our approach accordingly**.



BEHAVIORAL ANALYTICS AT SCALE



3.5 million

& counting....

conversations have been recorded & analyzed



Performance
Dashboard



Coaching
Insights



Targeted
Metrics



Predictive
Insights



Likelihood
Models





QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE



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