



# Returning to the Nest

## Interdisciplinary Studies Degree Pathway

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# Overview



**Partway Home Initiative**



**Seahawk Success Program**



**Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS)  
Overview**



**Process for Growth**



**Next Steps and Discussion**

# Part Way Home Initiative

UNC System 2016

## Goals:

- Identify stopped-out students with significant college credits but no degree
- Determine efficient ways to find and connect with these students
- Seek feedback from students at the 6 UNC system schools' programs already serving PWH students
- Identify and decrease barriers to make it easier for students to return
- Encouraged other system schools to develop programs or initiatives to better support PWH students



# No Time Like the Present

Explore Convenient Options to Complete Your Degree



 UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON



# Seahawk Success Program

Began in Fall  
2017

## Reach out to students who:

- Have 70 or more credit hours earned
- Stopped-out from UNCW for at least a year
- Left in good academic and behavioral standing
- With no or manageable financial holds

## Benefits of Program:

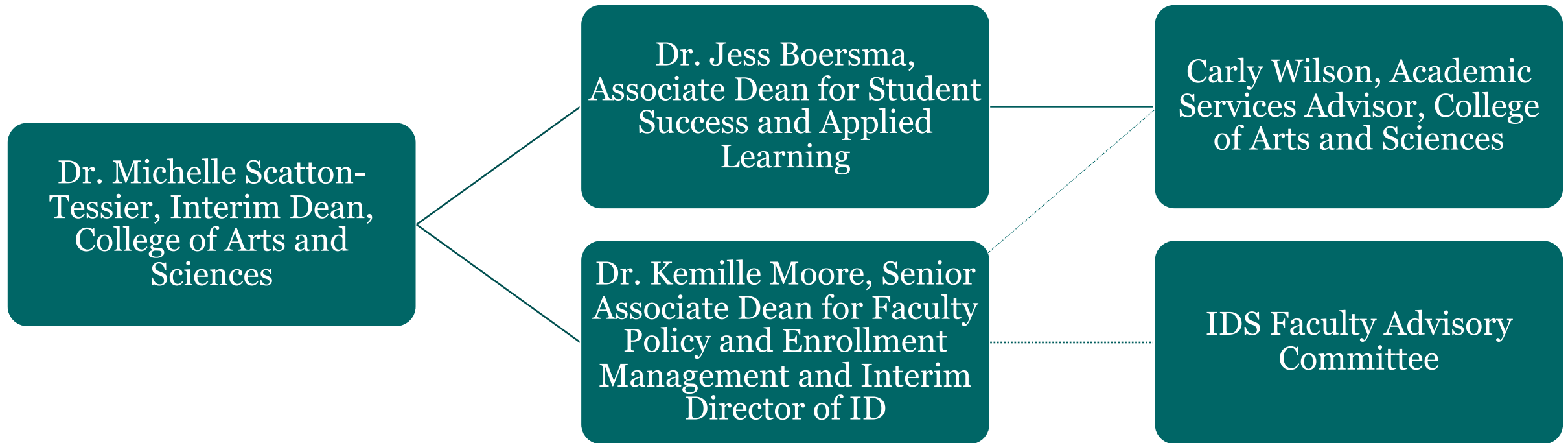
- “Concierge Advising”
- Students could meet with advisor prior to re-enrolling
- Discuss concerns related to re-enrolling
- Help decrease barriers
- Help student determine best degree pathway

# Interdisciplinary Studies



- Flexible degree established with support of academic departments
- Interdisciplinary philosophy increasingly necessary to solve modern societal problems
- Option to complete fully online
- Courses offered from wide range of disciplines
- First group accepted fall 2018
- 1 graduate in second year to 13 graduating this semester

# Organizational Chart



# Interdisciplinary Studies Curriculum

## The Core

- IDS 300
- IDS 400
- IDS Global Perspectives
- IDS Intellectual Inquiry and Contemporary Issues
- IDS Critical Reasoning

## Concentrations

- Arts and Humanities
- Enterprise and Economy
- Global and International
- Human Wellbeing
- Science and Technology
- Social Institutions and Human Behavior



# Admission Requirements

## Former UNCW Students

- 70 total credit hours
- 12 credits at UNCW
- Good Academic Standing
- Stopped out for 2 regular semesters
- Not seeking second bachelor's degree or second major

## Current UNCW Students 2-year Pilot

- 100 total credit hours
- 12 credits at UNCW
- Good Academic Standing
- No stop out time
- Not seeking second bachelor's degree or second major

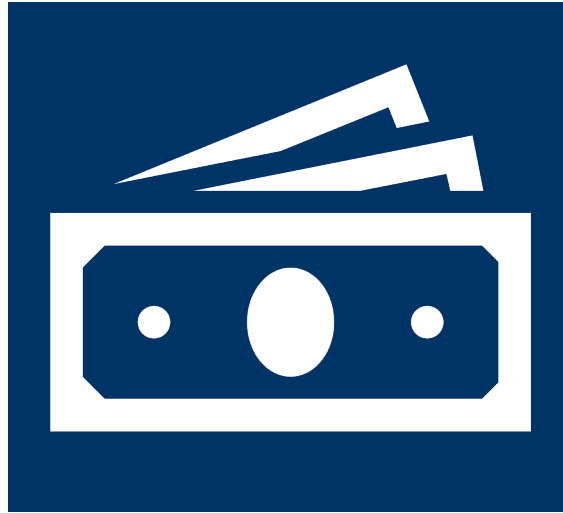




# ! Process for Growth



Enhanced  
assessment efforts



Resources,  
including more  
sections of IDS 300  
and 400, advising,  
additional online  
courses, necessary  
for growth



Explore more  
modification to the  
IDS eligibility  
requirements for  
admission



Changes need to be  
approved through  
Faculty Senate

# Next Steps and Discussion

