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Professional Summary

I've worked in institutional research for more than 20 years. I'm an advocate for the importance and benefit of the community colleges to the higher education system, having spent nearly my entire professional career within this college sector. I have also spent the last 15+ years at a federally-designated Hispanic-serving institution.

Professional Experience

Managing Director of Institutional Research

▪ 2008 - present
Elgin Community College ▪ Elgin, IL

Manager of Research and Assessment

▪ 2006 - 2008
Oakton Community College ▪ Des Plaines, IL

Statistical Analysis Consultant

▪ 2005 - 2008
Business Decisions Economics ▪ Northbrook, IL

Institutional Research Analyst

▪ 2004 - 2006
Oakton Community College ▪ Des Plaines, IL

Teaching Experience

Adjunct Instructor ▪ 2010 - 2016

Elgin Community College ▪ Elgin, IL
College Success

Adjunct Instructor ▪ 2008

College of Lake County ▪ Grayslake, IL
Developmental Psychology

Adjunct Instructor ▪ 2003

Triton College ▪ River Grove, IL
Psychology

Adjunct Instructor ▪ 1999 - 2000

Loyola University of Chicago ▪ Chicago, IL
Business Statistics

Significant Professional Memberships

- Illinois Community College Board (ICCB)
 - 2023-present ▪ Program Advisory Board
- Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
 - 2016-present ▪ Peer Reviewer
- Association for Higher Education Effectiveness (AHEE)
 - 2013 – present ▪ Member
- Chicago-Area Association of Institutional Research (CAAIR)
 - 2008 – present ▪ Member
- Association of Institutional Research (AIR)
 - 2022-2024 ▪ PDP Presenter
 - 2021-2023 ▪ NEC Member
 - 2015 ▪ “Aspirational Statements” Workgroup
 - 2012 ▪ Early Career Planning (ECP) Institute Advisory Committee
 - 2005 – present ▪ Member
- Illinois Association for Institutional Research (IAIR)
 - 2012 – present ▪ Membership Chair
 - 2004 – present ▪ Member
- National Community College Council for Research and Planning (NCCCRP)
 - 2004 – present ▪ Member
- Northern Illinois Community College Research Group (NICCRG)
 - 2004 – present ▪ Member
- Mensa (Chicago-area chapter)
 - 2004 – present ▪ Member

Education

Northwestern University ▪ 1996

Evanston, IL
Bachelor of Arts - Psychology

Illinois State University ▪ 1996 - 1999

Normal, IL
Master of Arts – Developmental Psychology

Recent Publications and Presentations

- Ollayos, C. and Rudden, D. (2023). "Evaluating the Impact of Financial Support Strategies on Student Success Through the Magic of Predictive Analytics". Presentation given at the American Association of Community College Trustees (AACT) Annual Leadership Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
- Rudden, D. (2023). "Predicting the Impact of Initiatives as Well as The Simpsons Predict the Future". Presentation given at the Association of Institutional Research (AIR) Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH.
- Rudden, D. (2022). "With Great Predictive Power Comes Great Responsibility, Spidey – Predictive Modeling to Identify Scholarship Recipients". Presentation given at the Achieving the Dream (AtD) Annual DREAM Conference, conducted virtually.
- Rudden, D. (2020). "Let's Put on a Happy Face ... and Take Modeling Back from the Negative Vibes of COVID!". Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, conducted virtually.
- Rudden, D. (2018). "Getting Outsmarted by the Jocks: Can Metrics and Modeling Used in Sports Translate to Higher Ed.?". Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, Champaign, IL.
- Rudden, D., Bollweg, J., Evans, M. & Humke, A. (2018). "Predictive Analytics: Are You Ready?". Presentation given at the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Annual Forum, Chicago, IL.
- Rudden, D. (2017). "It's the Backward Episode, Jerry! - Everything in Life Has a Seinfeld Reference ... Even Predictive Modeling". Presentation given at the Association of Institutional Research (AIR) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
- Rudden, D. (2016). "It's the Backward Episode, Jerry! - Everything in Life Has a Seinfeld Reference ... Even Predictive Modeling". Best Paper presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, Naperville, IL.
- Rudden, D. (2016). "Channeling Your Inner Darth Vader -Shaping Institutional Discussions About Institutional Initiatives Using Predictive Modeling in Lieu of Lightsabers". Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (IACRAO), Alsip, IL.
- Rudden, D. (2015). "Darth Vader Could Have Been *Great* in IR- Using Predictive Modelling in Lieu of Lightsabers to Shape Institutional Discussions about Student Success Initiatives". Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, Decatur, IL.
- Rudden, D. (2014). "That's Quite a Witches' Brew of Student Data! - Adding Student Beliefs and Attitudes Into the Mix of Demographic and Performance Data That You Already Have". Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, Naperville, IL.
- Rudden, D. & Ternes, T. (2014). "Pay No Attention to that Data Behind the Curtain! - The Importance of Data-Driven Question-Asking". Presentation given at the Achieving the Dream (AtD) Annual DREAM Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Rudden, D. (2013). "Build it and they will come! – Tips for creating your own data tools to share with the whole team." Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, Peoria, IL.
- Rudden, D. (2012). "Easier Said Than Done: Incorporating Psychosocial Factors into Institutional Research." Presentation given at the Illinois Association of Institutional Research (IAIR) Annual Conference, East Peoria, IL.