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A new website and campaign, StepForward, explains the new registration-priority system that emerged from the state’s 2012 Student Success Act.

The new requirements were designed to help more students achieve their goals, and more quickly.

The Student Success Initiative “is transforming the way colleges are supporting students throughout the system by providing more structure and guidance to encourage better choices and increase a student’s probability of reaching their goal ...,” said California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris.