CAREER CENTER INITIATIVES

Start: July 2025	Budget: $50,000 *
Finish: June 2027	Actual YTD: $0



Status:
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Q1 HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ An Academic Integration Task Force has been charged with creating Career Learning Outcomes (CLOs) for Winthrop, to further embed career learning into the academic experience. Representatives include faculty and staff from all colleges, OSS, IE, QEP/Alumni Relations, and the career center.
- ✓ Career center construction has been ongoing and on track; drywall is hung and furniture has been ordered.

Q2 OBJECTIVES

- Host the first Academic Integration Task Force meeting on October 12.
- Three Academic Integration Task Force members will attend the Career Ecosystem Institute in November at UT Austin. The Institute includes up to 25 institutions engaged in developing their career ecosystems.
- Schedule on-campus session with Career Leadership Collective to continue design and implementation of CLOs.
- Pack up career center in Bancroft Hall and move into new facility in December, to be operational in January before classes begin.

**Note: FY26 spending was $39,500; $10,000 allocated for design session in FY27.*

DESCRIPTION

State-of-the-art resources will transform the Center for Career Development and Internships while partnerships among Winthrop, local businesses, and the community will provide enhanced student learning opportunities.



RISK/MITIGATION

Construction risks include supply chain delays, labor shortages, weather disruptions, design changes, permit issues, and unforeseen site conditions. Consulting risks include unclear expectations, misaligned communication, and participation barriers. Mitigation: Employ thorough planning, realistic timelines, contingencies, reliable suppliers, early permits, strict change control, clear expectations, proactive communication, and regular progress monitoring.