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**PRESENTATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA:
“TRANSITIONING TO COLLEGE: THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA’S COMPREHENSIVE
APPROACH TO STUDENT SUCCESS”**

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Executive Summary: The transition from high school to college can be difficult for many students who often struggle with increased academic expectations, new social norms, and the independence of living away from home for the first time. The University of Iowa provides a variety of programs designed to assist students during their first year. Some initiatives, such as orientation and advising, are required of all students. Other initiatives, such as the College Transition course, are tailored for those students who may be at a greater risk for attrition. This presentation by Lisa Ingram and Andrew Beckett will highlight these programs and their impact on student success.

Lisa Ingram is an Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management and Director of the Academic Advising Center. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Iowa State University and her Master of Arts degree in Student Development in Post-Secondary Education from the University of Iowa. She oversees a staff of 44 professional advisors who help guide students as they transition to the University, explore their academic choices and declare their majors. Her responsibilities as Assistant Provost include strategic planning for course availability and issues related to time to graduation, as well as working with student success initiatives, such as the Summer Hawk Tuition Grant, the College Transition and College Success Seminar courses, and Courses in Common.

Andrew Beckett is the Assistant Dean in University College. Dr. Beckett earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics at Truman State University, Master of Arts degree in Higher Education Administration from the University of Arizona, and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He previously worked with first-year transitional programs at Miami University (OH) and at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Dr. Beckett currently works with a variety of student success initiatives including First-Year Seminars, Living-Learning Communities, Orientation Services, OnIowa!, and Academic Support and Retention.