# DREAM PHASE

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# JOHN MAXWELL'S DEFINITION OF A DREAM

"A dream is an inspiring picture of the future that energizes your mind, will and emotions, empowering you to do everything you can to achieve it" (Maxwell, 2009).

# DISARM, DISCOVER AND DREAM

- In order to have a successful Dream phase advisors will need to have built a strong foundation in the Disarm and Discover phase
- Dreams can be very personal

# CREATING POWERFUL IMAGE

- Help students unlock their dreams
- Have them visualize their dream
- Help them to fully explore their dream
- Let them dream without limits

# FRAMEWORK FOR DREAMING

- Help student to start process and get excited about the plan they are about to make.
- Dream not about choosing perfect major but rather putting into words what the student wants from life (Bloom, 2016)
- Guided questions to start process
- Advisors help student to ignore any roadblocks in dreaming process

# PARALLEL PLANS

- Envisioning what might be, leads to what should be and how you will get there "Recurring Themes"
- Students have choices and options Encourage students to be open to possibilities

 Make connections between students strengths and dreams shared to help link with career paths

# IMPORTANT ADVISOR BEHAVIORS

- Overcoming personal and student stereotypes and biases – why can't this student be successful?
- Listen without immediate feedback
- Encourage students to be open to all possibilities
- Appreciative advisors do not negate nor ignore problems – We help students work to overcome them

### OBSTACLES STUDENTS FACE TO DREAMING

- Family Pressure
- Confidence
- Dream job and skill set do not match
- Financial
- Lack of knowledge



### ACTIVITY

- Imagine you have no limits (time, money, education) share your dream with us to help us create a SouthALACADA dream board
- Take a piece of paper and use your imagination to express your dream (write, draw, poem etc...)
- Once you have your dream down on paper please come place it on the SouthALACADA dream wall