



## NC Student Success Center



### November 2017 Report

#### UPDATE: NC Guided Pathways to Success (NC GPS) Plan 2018-2019

Based on the AACC Guided Pathways project, the Center will implement a three-part plan to assist colleges with adoption of proven strategies that support greater student learning and success.

1. **NC GPS Cohort I** (20 colleges selected from applications) will receive free facilitated support, professional development, and technical assistance in NC GPS essential practices and improvement science strategies during four institutes in 2018-2019. Applications are due on **January 20, 2018**, and the first institute will be held **May 29-30, 2018**.
2. Technical assistance **webinars and regional workshops** will be provided for all 58 colleges.
3. Upon request, professional development will also be provided during regularly-scheduled **NCCCS association conferences and meetings**.

On **November 29 at 2:00 p.m.**, the Center will host an information webinar about the plan and the application process. The recorded webinar and other details will be available on the Center’s webpage on November 30.

#### Western Presidents Association Meeting

On Wednesday, November 8, the Center’s Executive Director Roxanne Newton facilitated a professional development session at Western Piedmont Community College for the Western Presidents Association members and their leadership teams. WPCC President Michael Helmick hosted the session. The Center’s Advisory Board Chair, Dr. Pat Skinner, President of Gaston College, coordinated and provided an introduction. The session focused on the Center’s purpose, goals, and the NC Guided Pathways to Success (NC GPS) Plan to support colleges in their student success efforts, including current and future QEP topics, advising redesign, and student learning and completion. Lunch was provided by the Center, followed by a session about the Western NC School of Science and Math, which will be located adjacent to Western Piedmont Community College and completed by 2021.

#### Center Presentations at 2017 CCPRO Conference

The Center co-sponsored the 2017 Community College Professional Research Organization (CCPRO) Conference in Chapel Hill on October 30-31. The Center sponsored Dr. Rob Johnstone’s general session, “Exploring Community College Return on Investment Approaches.” Dr. Johnstone also demonstrated a new tool to calculate the positive financial impact of implementing Guided Pathways practices. The Center will publish details and make this free tool available when it is released. In addition, Roxanne Newton was invited by the CCPRO Executive Board to present a general session, “Faculty Research Capacity & Student Success,” where she shared two models of faculty development with data, including “data dives” activities and the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) process.

#### Save the Dates for NC Student Success Center Activities

NC GPS Plan Launch Webinar	November 29, 2017	2:00 p.m. via Skype
NC GPS Cohort I Applications Due	January 10, 2018	
NC GPS Cohort I Selections Announced	January 19, 2018	
NEW NCCC Advising Association Conference	February 16, 2018	10-3 CCCC/Pittsboro
Transfer Advising Workshop	March 1, 2018	10-3 DCCC/Lexington

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