A More Unified Community College: Strategies and Resources to Align Non-Credit and Credit Programs
WELCOME!

Let’s see whose in the room!
Our Goal

Mission  
Equitable Mobility

Charge  
Build coherence across student success efforts

Strategy  
Texas Pathways: Getting students directly to their end goals of careers and further education
Market program paths
Build pathways into high schools, adult ed. programs and other onboarding connections

Help students explore options/ make full-program plan
Integrate academic support into critical program gateway courses

Clearly map out program paths
Redesign advising/scheduling to keep students on path
Monitor student progress, provide feedback and support

Align program outcomes with requirements for success in career-path, employment, and further education
Who’s been to a Texas Pathways Institute?
### Texas Pathways
#### Four Pillars of Essential Practices

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<td>• Completion, further education, employment</td>
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Texas Reskilling & Upskilling through Education

https://tacc.org/tacc/texas-reskilling-upskilling-through-education-true
Easily shop and select career pathways that include industry-based certifications within metamajor/career cluster.

Onboard with a clear initial completion plan of less than 6 months.

Gain skills and work-related experiences.

Complete credentials in key occupations with living wages.
The TRUE Workforce Initiative

Phase I TRUE Colleges
Central - Austin Community College
Central - McLennan Community College
East - Paris Junior College
East - Northeast Texas Community College
North - Dallas College
North - Tarrant County Community College
South - Alamo Colleges
South - Del Mar College
Southeast - Brazosport College
Southeast - San Jacinto College
West - Amarillo College
West - Midland College

Phase I: January-August 2021
1. Identify high-priority credentials and foundational career specific skills
2. Design and implement high-quality short-term and micro-credentials aligned with regional demand
3. Create program maps to credentials, including opportunities for careers, further education, and related wages

Phase II: September 2021-August 2024
1. Leverage business & industry partnerships
2. Utilize the Texas Pathways strategy for statewide scaling
3. Advocate for state and federal policy
A TRUE PARTNERSHIP

Associate Program
Credit and non-credit cloud curriculum resources and training materials

- Enable participation in AWS Programs
- Develop students’ real-world AWS cloud skills
- Prepare students to pass AWS certification exams
- Help students qualify for internships, apprenticeships, and jobs

Dual Credit Program
Foundational-level cloud content focused on applied learning experiences in fields such as voice recognition, gaming, artificial intelligence, and more

Resources for Both Programs:
- On-line labs in the AWS cloud to practice real-world skills
- Professional development
- AWS Cloud Practitioner certification exam vouchers
- Digital marketing materials
Poll Question

Just how integrated are you?