

Establishing the Framework: Mapping Continuing Education to Credit Pathways

Problem Statement:

Many Texas community colleges are lacking a process to map technical (WECM) courses offered through Continuing Education to credit pathways.

Health Professions Pathway Entry Wages by Texas Workforce Region

Brazos Valley Region		Heart of Texas Region		
Certified Nurse Aide (CE)	\$29,265	Certified Nurse Aide (CE)	\$28,128	
Licensed Vocational Nurse (credit)	\$44,563	Licensed Vocational Nurse (credit)	\$45,600	
Registered Nurse (credit)	\$64,613	Registered Nurse (credit)	\$68,569	

Changes Proposed:

- Create a working group to identify CE courses, learning outcomes, course outcomes, and course alignments.
- Create crosswalk proposal between non-credit courses and credit programs.
- Create and implement process for students to request credit and apply credits to transcripts.

Expected Outcomes:

- Crosswalk of non-credit courses to credit programs and stackable credentials leading self-sustaining wages.
- Processes community colleges across Texas can easily follow and implement at their institution to ensure non-credit and credit course work align.

6-8 months of focused work in specific area

1 month

2-4 months

3 months

On-going

Working Group	Proposal	Instructional Council	Implementation	Publicize	Review
 Identify CE course Identify Learning Outcomes Identify course outcomes necessary for "Success" Identify Credit Courses that align 	 Crosswalk of CE to Credit Credit course they are getting Identify credential sequence it would fall into 	 Vote on approval of proposal 	 Process for student to request credit Process to apply credit to student transcript 	 Market Reach out to students who have completed the course(s) 	 How well are the students doing in the programs/outcomes? Have outcomes within CE or the credit course(s) changed every three years during program review?