



CA GUIDED PATHWAYS PROJECT

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Pathways Model

- Integrated, college-wide approach to student success
- Creates a GPS for our students to navigate their way through their entire higher education experience to Completion
- Working with local high schools, orient student to the starting location of their higher education journey, assist students in choosing a path that moves them toward a career of interest to them and of value in the labor market
- At the core of the GPS, are clear, educationally coherent program maps
- These maps, created by faculty and advisors, contain easy to understand steps for the routes through the programs along with the learning outcomes of the programs that are aligned with identified requirements for success when transferring and entering the workforce.

Guided Pathways Essential Practices

- Clarifying the Path
- Help students choose and enter a pathway
- Help students stay on the path
- Ensure that students are learning

CA Guided Pathways Project

- Designed to assist 15-20 CA Community Colleges implement an integrated Institution-Wide approach to student success
- Done by creating structured educational experiences that support EACH student from point of entry to attainment of high-quality postsecondary credentials and careers
- Increases the number of students earning community college credentials, closes equity gaps
- Is a college-wide undertaking that provides framework for integrating 5 statewide Community College initiatives---SSSP, Equity, Basic Skills Transformation, the Strong Workforce Program and the CA College Promise
- Provides students with clear, educationally coherent program maps that include specific course sequences, progress milestones, and program learning outcomes

Pathways, continued

- Are aligned to knowledge, skills and abilities required by transfer institutions and the labor market
- Simplify decision-making for students by providing intentional opportunities for exploration AND informed choices
- Students are helped from the beginning to understand academic and career options, choose a program of study and develop a plan based on the program maps
- Allows us to provide PREDICTABLE schedules, frequent feedback and embedded, discipline-specific support to students
- Facilitate the faculty efforts to ensure that students are building knowledge and skills within and across programs leading students to success in further education and on the job.

How Can We Get Involved?

- Demonstrate support from the Academic leadership including the Academic Senate with a Senate Resolution
- Have Governing Board Support with a Board Resolution
- Apply for a CA Guided Pathways Grant