



## Monthly Update, May 2017

### Exciting News:

As you know, Jobs for the Future (JFF) received a \$16.6 million-dollar grant from the Gates Foundation to support the work of Centers for Student Success. New Jersey is one of 14 centers supported by the JFF network. Grant funds are being used to provide technical assistance to Centers. The three primary areas of technical assistance are:

1. **Foundations for Guided Pathways** (National Partner: National Center for Inquiry & Improvement- Rob Johnston): Focused primarily on making the case for Guided Pathways.
2. **Scale of Adoption Assessment and Consultation Process** (National Partner: Community College Research Center- CCRC): Focused on assessment of Guided Pathways progress at the colleges.
3. **Advising and Student Supports Redesign Services** (National Partner: Achieving the Dream-ATD): Focused on supporting colleges as they redesign advising and student supports to help student get on and stay on a path.

Although Centers will benefit from some support in each area, only a few Centers will receive in-depth support in each area. We are thrilled that New Jersey has been selected to receive in-depth support for advising and student supports redesign, as this was the area that most Centers requested in-depth assistance. New Jersey was selected to receive this support because of our strong commitment (and early actions) to better serving students so we should be very proud. This is extremely exciting as this support will help us make significant progress with Guided Pathways. New Jersey is positioned to be a national leader in this space!

### The NJ Community Colleges Guided Pathways Cohort Continues to Grow!

- Welcome Ocean County College
- 17 of the 19 community colleges are participating

### Student Success Course:

- Presentation at AACC: Revamping On-boarding Processes: Advising, Career Exploration, and the FYE Course (co-presenters: Theresa Orosz- Middlesex County College, and Amy Vondrak- Mercer County Community College)
- Combined meeting with Teaching and Learning Center directors on professional development needs for Student Success Course instructors, held on 4.28.17

### Upcoming Events

- **Advising Conference – June 7, 2017** at Mercer County Community College
- **Guided Pathways Summer Institute- Technology Tools for Program Mapping- June 19, 2017** at Mercer County Community College
- **Online Course:** Deep Pedagogy for Online Learning: An Online Course for Faculty; May and June, over 120 faculty registered
- **Course Design Institute-** June 13, 14, and 21 at Mercer County Community College (limited to 25 full time faculty)
- **College Readiness Now Institutes: Conversations between High Schools and Community Colleges**
  - May 15, 2017, Bergen Community College
  - May 18, 2017 Middlesex County College
  - May 24, 2017 Rowan College at Gloucester County

### Dual Enrollment

- Kate McGivern is in process of collecting data on the NJ story of dual enrollment