

Durham Technical Community College Durham, North Carolina Quality Enhancement Plan Executive Summary August 15, 2017

P3CONNECT - Plan, Prepare, Proceed



Durham Technical Community College's mission is to "champion learning and success, deliver outstanding teaching and service, and develop career skills for today and tomorrow." P3 Connect seeks to provide students with an integrated network of services and learning opportunities that will support they're advancement towards their career goals.

P3 Connect emerged directly out of the strategic plan where providing all students with clear career pathways, is especially important: "Students will have access to career pathways for all programs at the college. These pathways will link a student's previous educational experience with the college's offerings in a clear, understandable way. Using an interactive online course planning system and the support of well-trained advisors, students will receive the information needed to create a completion plan, individualize the pathway, monitor progress toward goals, experience work-based learning, connect to postsecondary transfer options, and obtain meaningful employment opportunities."

P3Connect is designed to achieve the following:

Goal 1: Increase access to informed advising.

Student Learning Outcome 1.1: Students will self-assess their abilities and interests. Student Learning Outcome 1.2: Students will demonstrate academic program knowledge.

Goal 2: Increase awareness and access to career planning resources. Student Learning Outcome 2.1: Students will utilize the college's academic and career support resources.

Student Learning Outcome 2.2: Students will develop an academic plan informed by their career goal.

The key interventions associated with the plan include the following:

- Provide improved application, orientation, advising, and first-year experience resources to help students discern their career goals and set academic goals that match their career goals.
- Expand use of Self-Service, our student information and registration database. Strengthen documentation of students' academic, transfer, and career goals.
- Strengthen Durham Tech's general education learning outcome assessment of academic and career preparation.
- Develop professional career resources, particularly hiring a professional Career Services Director and establishing a Career Services Center.
- Expand work-based learning opportunities for students enrolled in career and technical programs.
- Increase curriculum student access to career resources offered in our non-credit division.

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