The Illinois Network

Five AtD Community Colleges
Partnerships in Student Success

Currently 130 Community Colleges in 22 states

Achieving the Dream States

Bring about change within community colleges and in state/federal policy to increase student success and expand support for raising postsecondary attainment levels.

Success is what counts.
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Danville-Elgin-Harper-Morton-Triton
Working to increase the percentage of students who accomplish the following:

- Successfully complete courses with a C or better
- Advance from developmental to credit-bearing courses
- Enroll in and successfully complete gate-keeper courses
- Earn degrees and/or certificates
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Developmental Education Reform
Danville-Elgin-Harper-Morton-Triton

- Examining Math- alternative instructional methods, sequencing, use of math labs, accelerations and combinations for “cuspers”
- Researching high impact strategies in all developmental education – what’s working?
- Exploring use of contextualized learning and cooperative learning modalities
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Advising and Early Warning Systems
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Focus on the identified at-risk populations with:

- Monitoring and case management
- Intrusive advising and mandatory interventions
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Early Intervention and Engagement
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- Bridge Programs (Danville, Harper)
- Assessment and Placement (Danville, Elgin, Harper, Triton)
- Formal engagement ceremonies (i.e., orientation and convocation) (Danville, Elgin, Triton)
- Orientation and Success Courses (All)
- Peer support and supplemental assistance systems (Danville, Elgin, Harper, Triton)
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Cultural Change and Equity
Danville-Elgin-Harper-Triton

- Mission, vision, strategic plan
- Recruiting and hiring practices
- Professional development on inclusion, equity, and cultural awareness, engaging students, etc.
- Support Groups for African American Males and Females
  (Danville, Harper)

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Commitment
Danville-Elgin-Harper-Morton-Triton

- Presidents committed to student success
  - Joint task force on Developmental Education Model
- Board-level support to bring about change in community colleges

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Making a difference in Illinois ……together.

Danville Community College, Elgin Community College, Morton College, William Rainey Harper College, Triton College