## NAPE

National, State, and Local Strategies that Work to Increase Nontraditional Participation and Completion under Perkins

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Program Improvement Process for Equity in Science Technology, Engineering, and Math™

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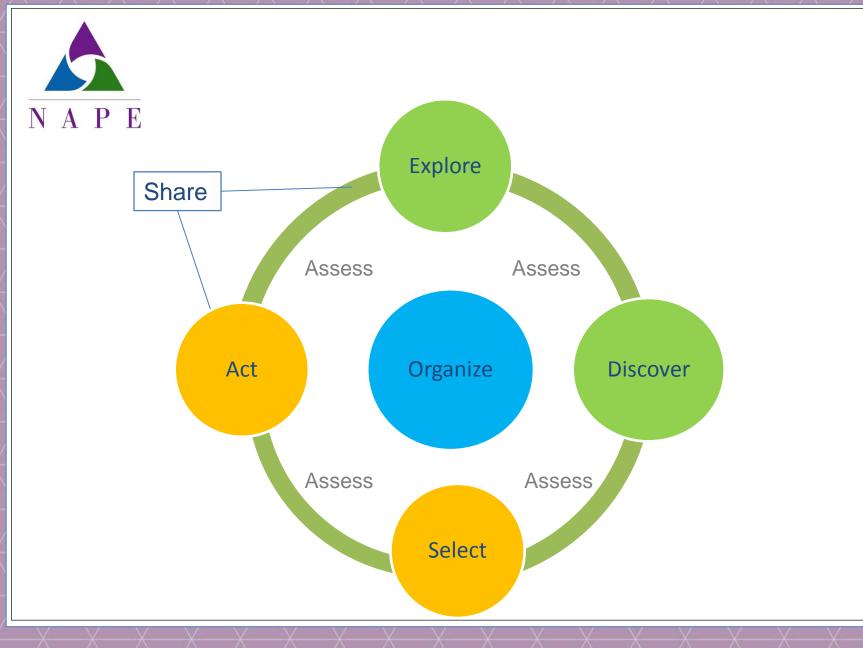
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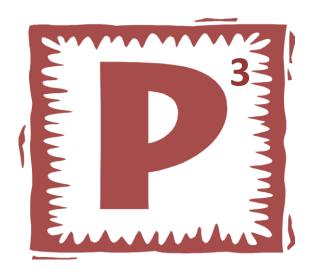


#### Agenda









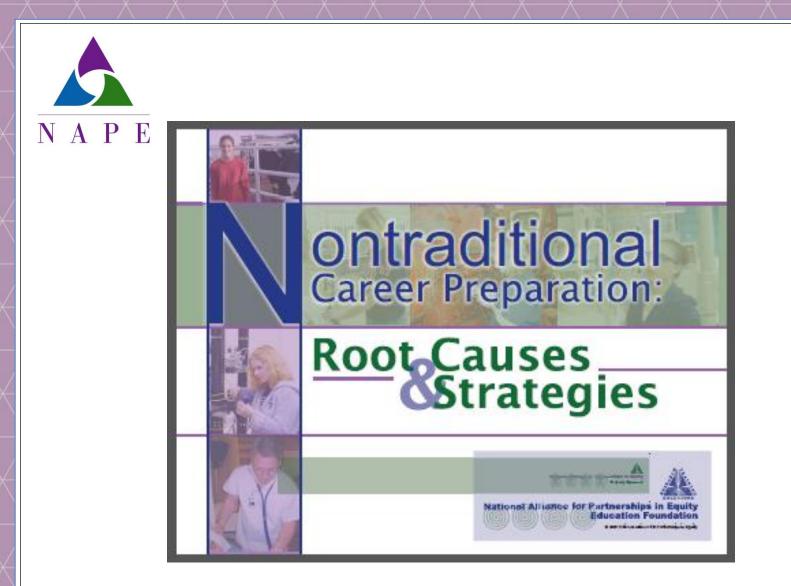


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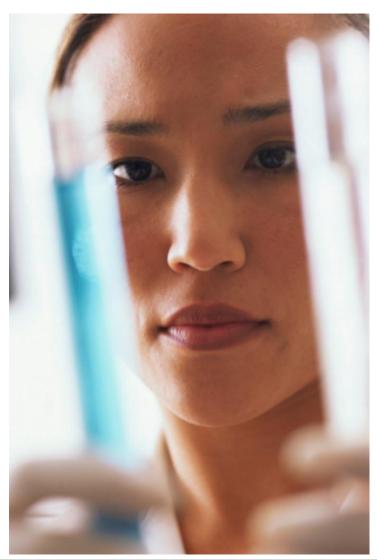
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#### **State Perspective**



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#### LEA Perspective





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## **STEM Equity in Aviation**

Middle Georgia Technical College

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### MGTC Purpose

- Participation created for us a conduit for addressing a data supported need to keep females in programs through to completion
- Focus initially on student retention and recognized <u>student engagement</u> as the key to retention
- Faculty automatically became the key component
- Change at the classroom level
- Following retention is recruitment

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### **Pilot Participants**

- Donna Dutcher, Special Populations/Disabilities Coordinator
- Jim Lane, Dean of Trade and Industry
- Sam Lester, Special Projects Manager
- Brian Snellgrove, Director of Planning and Technology



### Program Improvement Process

#### Document Performance Results

- Data revealed that an area where many of our beginning students were struggling was in Learning Support Math so that became our focus.
- Identify Root Causes
  - Students being academically underprepared; lack of perceived Learning Support Math relevancy and student engagement (personal ownership)

Change and emotion are inseparable. Each implicates the other...There is no human change without emotion and there is no emotion that does not embody a momentary or momentous process of change (Hargreaves, 2004).



### Implementations



#### • Student-centered practices (Co-Horts)

- self-empowerment/exploration
- negating any lack of perceived ability to succeed and or lack of awareness and opportunities in STEM
- Students are part of a learning community of peers who together take courses, experience college life and provide support and beginning this process for new students as early as orientation helps engage students earlier
- Added a faculty position of a Success Coach
  - teaches a Success Course for beginning students
  - Expansive office hours for counseling, support, academic advisement
- Math Lab redesign
- Contextualized math workbook
  - with gender balance

There is plentiful research that ties student engagement in educationally purposeful activities to such desired outcomes as grades and persistence. The energy students invest in social interactions directly influences the degree to which they are socially integrated into college life.

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### Assessment

- Academic success is seen in Learning Support Math
  - Data reveals students completing the Student Success Course have higher GPA than those who did not
  - an increase in participation in campus resources
- both are factors of student empowerment and ownership of academic success --
- Creating an emotional change!



### Population

Female and male populations of Aviation Maintenance (AVMT) and Aircraft Sheet Metal (ASST) for four previous Spring terms:

		Spring 2009	Spring 2010	% change	Spring 2011	% change	Spring 2012	% change
	Female	26	26	0%	23	-12%	19	-21%
AVMT	Male	164	190	16%	217	14%	170	-28%
	Female	59	106	80%	113	7%	62	-82%
ASST	Male	255	493	93%	464	-6%	224	-107%



### Attainment

Attainment (rate of A/B/C) of Program Ready students compared to Learning Support students for the previous Fall and Spring terms.

		Fall 2011		Spring 2012	
		Females	Males	Females	Males
NATH 1011	Program Ready	53%	50%	57%	50%
MATH 1011	Learning Support	0%	0%	0%	0%
NATH 1010	Program Ready	54%	49%	57.1%	56.6%
MATH 1012	Learning Support	61%	18%	37%	47%
NATH 1012	Program Ready	33%	45%	44%	50%
MATH 1013	Learning Support	n/a	0%	67%	60%
MATH 1111	Program Ready	76%	67%	50%	66%
	Learning Support	71%	0%	20%	0%



### COLL 1000 Impact

				COLL course
Subject	Grade	Gender	Race	taken
	<mark>3.00</mark>	F	Black or African American	Y
MATH 0098	1.50	Μ	Black or African American	Y
	1.80	Μ	Black or African American	Ν
	<mark>3.75</mark>	F	White	Y
MATH 0098	2.50	Μ	White	Y
	2.63	Μ	White	Ν
	2.00	F	Black or African American	Y
MATH 0099 2.00	2.00	Μ	Black or African American	Ν
	<mark>3.00</mark>	F	White	Y
MATH 0099	1.33	Μ	White	Y
	1.40	Μ	White	Ν
	2.00	F	Black or African American	Y
MATH 1012	2.00	Μ	Black or African American	Y
	2.27	Μ	Black or African American	Ν
	<mark>3.50</mark>	F	White	Y
MATH 1013	1.67	М	White	Y
	2.40	М	White	N

## Attrition/Retention

Attrition is another valuable effort of the COLL 1001 course and is defined as the rate of students who leave and do not return.

Spring 2011	COLL 1000	Graduated	Still Enrolled	Attrition Percentage
Females	73	0	28	<mark>61.6%</mark>
Males	45	0	17	62.2%
Fall 2011	COLL 1000	Graduated	Still Enrolled	Attrition
				Percentage
Females	98	0	46	<mark>53.06%</mark>
Males	98	0	44	55.10%

## An area of concern:

Mean Work Ready Math test scores for graduates for all both AVMT

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and ASST programs combined for the three previous Spring terms:

	Spring 2010	Spring 2011	Spring 2012
Female	4.85	4.56	4.44
Male	5.02	5.12	5.23
Difference	0.17	0.56	0.79

## Conclusion

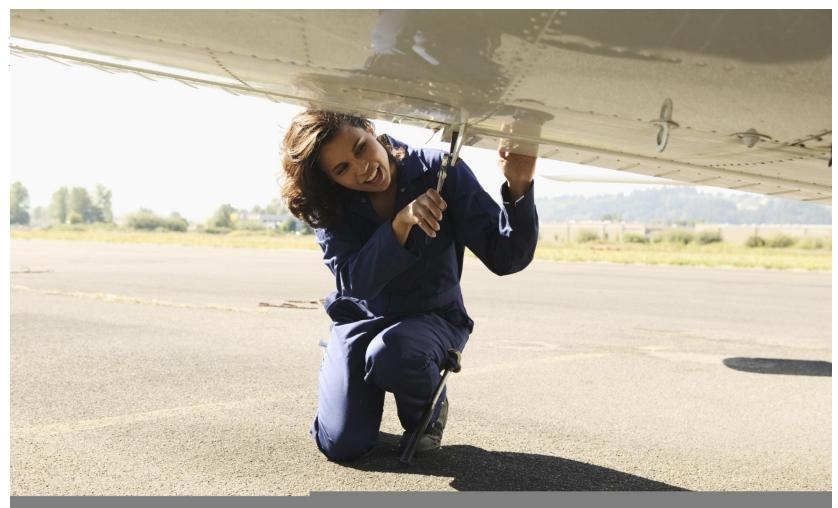
- We will continue toward finding ways to improve access and services for these motivated students
- We will continue to work at finding interventions can break down barriers and allow students to succeed
- Replicated to other programs
  - Welding

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- Automotive
- Electronics

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### Questions? Our guest speakers

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