Applications are now open for CCRC’s summer 2021 virtual institute, Guided Pathways at Rural Colleges: Using Data to Launch Large-Scale Reform. This two-week, team-based experience will help participants build the skills and knowledge needed to lead college-wide student success efforts at their institutions using the guided pathways framework, which aims to help students choose, enter, and complete programs aligned with their goals for careers and further education.

The institute is designed to help rural and rural-serving colleges overcome the unique challenges they face in implementing guided pathways reforms. Through a blend of synchronous and asynchronous activities, teams will explore key concepts in the guided pathways framework and learn to apply them in their own contexts. CCRC researchers will help participants examine which students are in which programs, where those programs lead, what courses they are taking, and other data essential for improving academic programs and student supports. These activities will be designed for faculty and staff from across the college, including those who have limited experience with data analysis.

By the end of the institute, teams will have data-driven plans for implementing changes to programs and supports that will better enable them to recruit and retain students, improve student success rates, and close equity gaps. Teams will receive additional support from CCRC researchers through the end of 2021.

Applications are due on Monday, March 15, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. PST.

To learn more, visit our website or sign up for our informational webinar on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 11:00–11:30 a.m. PST / 2:00–2:30 p.m. EST.

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