Using the Postsecondary Data Partnership Dashboards to Support a Data Culture

Measure student outcomes.

Grow student success.



Join the **Postsecondary Data Partnership**

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Learning Outcomes:

As a result of attending this session participants will be able to:

- •State why the Postsecondary Data Partnership was formed to answer the call for better data on the student experience
- •Identify the student characteristics in the PDP that can be examined with an intersectional lens to better understand racial equity
- Articulate how the PDP can support a data culture and equityminded sense-making
- Explore dashboards features through a demo
- Access the PDP website and resources to learn more

Postsecondary Data **Partner**ship



584 institutions



Includes 18 State Systems, 126 HSIs, 24 HBCUs, 27 TCUs



5.8 million students



~26% of 2- and 4-year postsecondary undergraduate students



50 states plus District of Columbia and Puerto Rico

Estimates as of August 24, 2021

Postsecondary Data Partnership



































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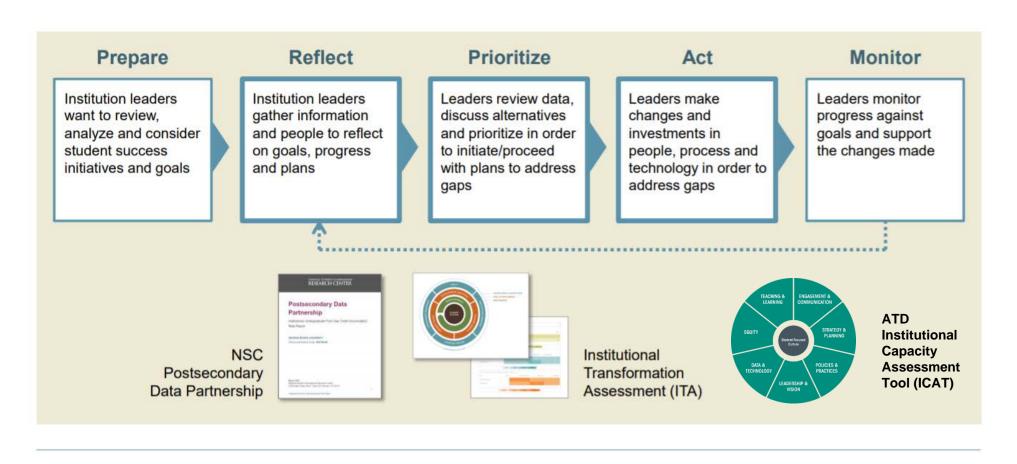
CULTURE



A TRANSFORMING INSTITUTION CONTINUALLY BUILDS ITS CAPACITY TO ACHIEVE EQUITABLE STUDENT OUTCOMES AT SCALE.

Source: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Data-Informed Resources and Tools to Support Transformation



Source: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Adapted to include ICAT

What is a Culture of Evidence and Inquiry?



- Data are for external accountability (e.g., reporting, accreditation)
- Data are in the hands of institutional researchers
- Data are objective and speak for themselves

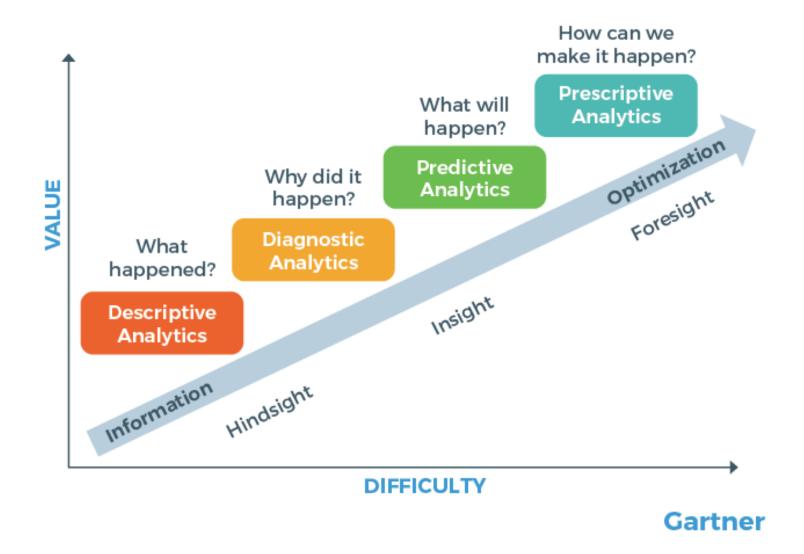


CULTURE OF INQUIRY

- Data are for institutional accountability and racial equity
- Data are in the hands of all practitioners
- Data are part of a process of critical inquiry, reflection, and change

Source: <u>CUE Equity-Minded Inquiry Series Data Tools</u>

Analytic Value Escalator





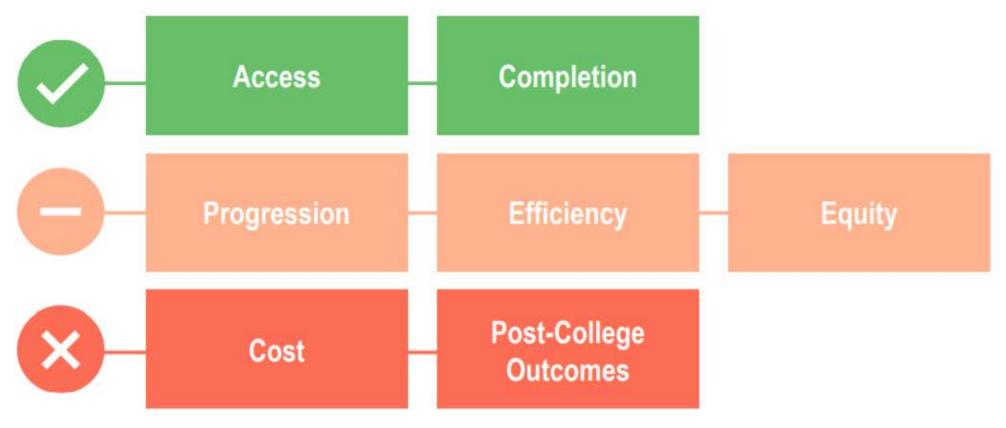
Which question does your institution focus most on when examining data?

THE WHY

Wanted: **Better Measures** for Better Decisions

MISSING METRICS MISREPRESENT SUCCESS

Metrics measured by major data initiatives fail to consistently measure what matters most to students.

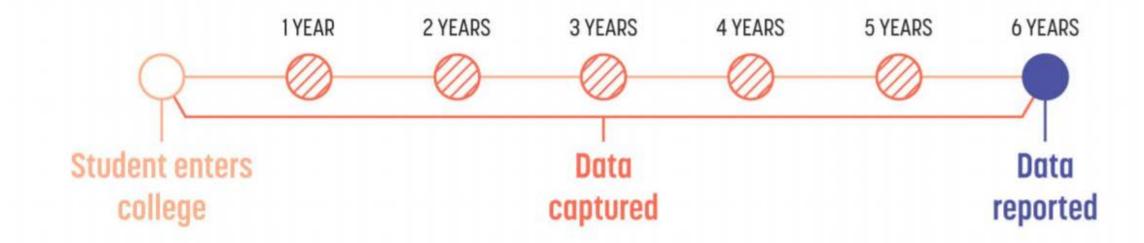


Source: <u>CCA Better Data</u>, <u>Better Decisions</u>

Wanted: Timely Data for Better Decisions

TOO LITTLE TOO LATE

The typical lag between student enrollment and the reporting of most outcomes data.



Source: CCA Better Data, Better Decisions



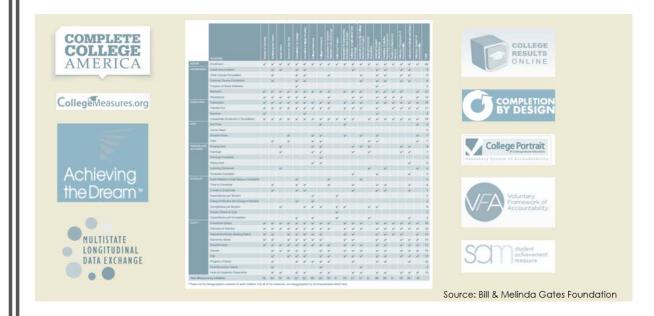
ANSWERING THE CALL:

Institutions and States Lead the Way Toward Better Measures of Postsecondary Performance

BY JENNIFER ENGLE, PH.D., BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION

2016





Metrics Landscape Analysis

PDP=Solution to Scale Field-Driven Metrics Framework

	Access	Progression	Completion	Cost	Post-College Outcomes
Performance	• Enrollment	 Credit Accumulation Credit Completion Gateway Course Completion Program of Study Selection Retention Persistence 	TransferGraduationSuccessCompleters	Net PriceUnmet NeedCumulative Debt	EmploymentEarningsLoan RepaymentGraduate EducationLearning Outcomes
Efficiency	Expenditures per Student	 Cost of Uncompleted Credits Gateway Completion Costs Change in Revenue from Change in Retention 	 Time/Credits to Credential Costs of Excess Credits Completions per Student 	Student Share of Cost Expenditures per Completion	Earnings Threshold
Equity	• Enrollment by at least Preparation, Income, Age, Race/Ethnicity	Progression Performance at least by Preparation, Income, Age, Race/Ethnicity	• Completion Performance and Efficiency by at least Preparation, Income, Age, Race/Ethnicity	Net Price and Unmet Need by at least Income Debt by at least Income, Age, Race/Ethnicity, Completion Status	Outcomes Performance and Efficiency by at least Income, Age, Race/Ethnicity, Completion Status

Key Student Characteristics

Academic Preparation

Age

Attendance Pattern

Degree-Seeking Status

Economic Status

Enrollment Status

First-Generation Status

Gender

Program of Study

Race/Ethnicity

Key Institution Characteristics

Degree/Program Mix

Diversity

Level

Modality

MSI Status

Nontraditional Populations

Resources

Sector

Selectivity

Size

13 Key Metrics Predictive of Completion

- "These 13 metrics accurately **predict** a student's six-year credential completion status with an accuracy of approximately **80%**"
- Community College Research Center

https://ccrc.tc.columbia.edu/publications/should-colleges-invest-machine-learning.htm

First-Year Early Momentum Metrics (EMMs)

EMM 1: Earned 6+ college credits in the first term	Credit			
EMM 2: Earned 12+ college credits in the first term	momentum			
EMM 3: Earned 15+ college credits in the first year				
EMM 4: Earned 24+ college credits in the first year	Gateway			
EMM 5: Earned 30+ college credits in the first year	course			
EMM 6: Completed college math in the first year	momentum			
EMM 7: Completed college English in the first year				
EMM 8: Completed college math and English in the first year	Persistence			
EMM 9: Persisted from the first term to the second term	momentum			
EMM 10: College credit pass rate	D			
EMM 11: Attempted 15+ credits (any level) in the first term	Program			
EMM 12: Attempted 30+ credits (any level) in the first year	momentum			
EMM 13: Earned 9+ credits in subjects that are related to the major in the first year				

Average number of EMMs satisfied

Early Momentum Mindsets

Credit Momentum:

- From textbooks to use of Open Educational Resources
- From current semester schedule to full-program plan
- From scheduling available courses to scheduling plan courses
- From 16-week terms to shortened academic terms

Gateway Momentum:

- From standardized placement tests to multiple measures of placement
- From pre-requisite remediation to co-requisite remediation
- From one math gateway to multiple (algebra/calc, stats, quantitative reasoning)

Program Momentum:

- From job/transfer help for near completers to career exploration and planning from the start
- From general education to meta-majors/program clusters
- From Math and English gateways to critical program courses

THE DASHBOARDS: OVERVIEW & DEMO

Overview of Who is Counted:

The PDP counts more students because every student counts



EVERY NEW STUDENT

FIRST-TIME TRANSFER-IN

FULL-TIME PART-TIME

FORMERLY DUAL-ENROLLED NEVER DUAL-ENROLLED



EVERY INSTITUTION

PUBLIC PRIVATE TWO-YEAR FOUR-YEAR



EVERY PART OF STUDENT JOURNEY

ENROLLMENT/PROGRESSION/ COMPLETION/TRANSFER



EVERY TRANSFER

WITH/WITHOUT CERT/ASSOC

IN-STATE/OUT-OF-STATE

DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN
TRANSFER TO 2-YR AND 4-YR

TRANSFER AND EARNED BACHELOR'S

REVERSE TRANSFER



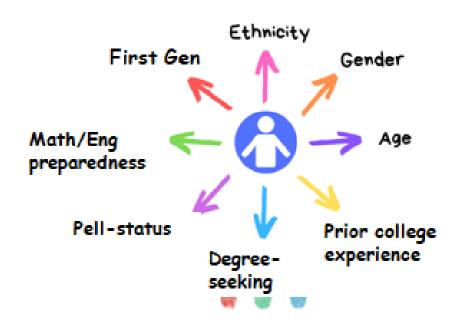
PERFORMANCE EFFICIENCY EQUITY

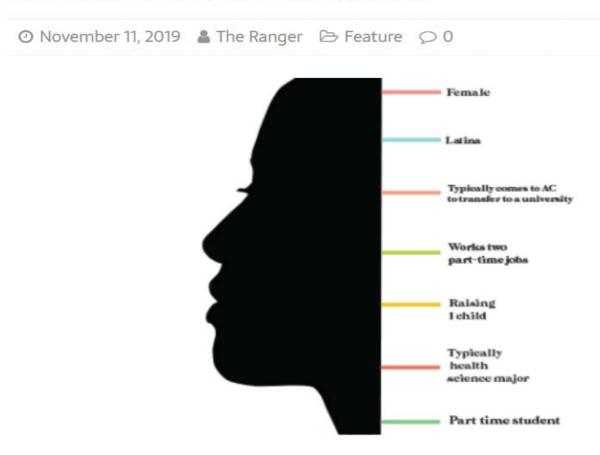
BALANCED SET OF METRICS

LEADING & LAGGING

The PDP Promotes an Intersectional Approach to Identify Students Experiencing Inequities

Maria moves forward





DASHBOARDS ENABLE USERS TO:

- Democratize access to data
- Monitor Early Momentum Metrics (EMMs)
- Identify equity gaps
- Assess impact of strategies on student success and on narrowing equity gaps
- Benchmark against peers across state lines

Enrollment

Count of new undergraduate students

Gateway Course Completion

(Gateway Momentum)

Credit Accumulation Rate

(Credit Momentum)

Credit Completion Ratio

(Credit Momentum)

Retention/Persistence Term to Term

(Persistence Momentum)

Transfer

Outcomes

- Proportion of students who completed required college-level gateway courses in math and English in Year 1
- Proportion of students who complete college-level credits in each of their first four years (For EMM, focus on Year 1)
- Ratio of college-level credits attempted to credits earned in Year 1
- Proportion of student still enrolled up to 8 terms at cohort or another institution (For EMM, focus on 1st term to 2nd term)
- Rate students transfer to other institutions, and whether they earn a credential before/after transfer

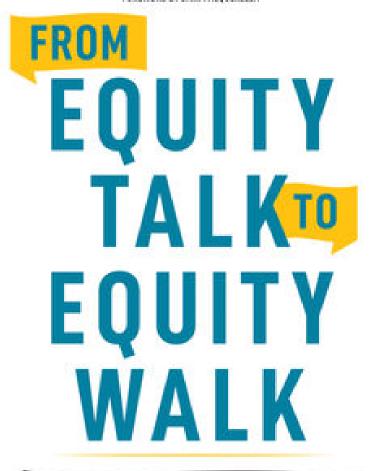
 Proportion of students completing a credential at the cohort or other institution

USING THE PDP DATA TO SUPPORT YOUR DATA CULTURE



- Identify data champions among leadership and across campus to establish a data culture and increase data literacy
- Strengthen data literacy among campus shareholders
- Establish unified metrics across offices and a data dictionary with standard definitions, streamlined analysis to improve data literacy
- Develop partnerships to streamline data processes, including synthesis and governance
- Invest time and resources in access to and use of high-quality data on campus

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Expanding Practitioner Knowledge for Racial Justice in Higher Education







The PDP Can Help You Have an Equity Talk and an Equity Walk

"Dashboards can be an effective tool for using and communicating data to advance equity when institutions provide the scaffolding that promotes equity-minded sensemaking."

RESOURCES

<u>The Clearinghouse Postsecondary Data</u> <u>Partnership Website</u>

AIR PDP Tutorials

Achieving the Dream:

PDP workshops at the ATD Data & Analytics Summit (virtual) and DREAM (hybrid) learning events

PDP Accelerator Data Use Course (Coming spring 2022)

Coaches