



**MICHIGAN CENTER  
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An Initiative of the Michigan Community College Association

**GUIDED PATHWAYS ORIENTATION INSTITUTE AGENDA**  
**Mid-Michigan Community College – Mt. Pleasant Campus**  
**Center for Liberal Arts and Business**

**INSTITUTE GOALS**

- Orient colleges to the guided pathways principles and place this work in a national context
- Introduce the key role of stakeholder engagement and data to successfully adopting pathways
- Outline the activities and expectations for participation in the cohort of colleges
- Provide college teams with time to discuss the opportunity and their institutions readiness

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**

<b>9:45-10:15am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>10:15-10:45am</b>	<b>Welcome, Introductions, and Institute Overview</b> Chris Baldwin & Jenny Schanker, Michigan Center for Student Success
<b>10:45am-12:30pm</b>	<b>Starting with the End in Mind: Building Guided Pathways to Student Success</b> <i>Davis Jenkins, Community College Research Center</i> <i>Rob Johnstone, National Center for Inquiry &amp; Improvement</i>
<b>12:30-1:15pm</b>	<b>Networking lunch</b>
<b>1:15-2:00pm</b>	<b>The Role of Engagement in Adopting Guided Pathways</b> <i>Erin Knepler &amp; Isaac Rowlett, Public Agenda</i>
<b>2:00-2:45pm</b>	<b>Guided Pathways in the National Context</b> <i>Gretchen Schmidt, Jobs for the Future</i>
<b>2:45-3:00pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:00-3:45pm</b>	<b>The Role of Data in Guided Pathways</b> <i>Davis Jenkins, Community College Research Center</i> <i>Rob Johnstone, National Center for Inquiry &amp; Improvement</i>
<b>3:45-4:30pm</b>	<b>Team Time: Part One</b>
<b>4:30-5:00pm</b>	<b>Tying It All Together: An Overview of the Michigan Guided Pathways Project</b> <i>Chris Baldwin &amp; Jenny Schanker, Michigan Center for Student Success</i>



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**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**

- 8:00-8:30am**            **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30-9:45am**            **Panel: Michigan Colleges Taking the First Steps**  
*John Cowles, Dean of Student Success and Retention, Grand Rapids CC*  
*Amy Fugate, Vice President, Academic Affairs, Mott Community College*  
*Jill Thomas-Little, Vice President, Student Services, Macomb Community College*
- 9:45-10:00am**            **Break**
- 10:00-10:45am**            **Introduction to Guided Pathways Planning Tools**  
*Davis Jenkins, Community College Research Center*  
*Rob Johnstone, National Center for Inquiry & Improvement*  
*Gretchen Schmidt, Jobs for the Future*
- 10:45-11:45am**            **Team Time: Part Two**
- 11:45am-12:30pm**            **Lunch – Demonstration of the Guided Digital Pathway Tool**  
*Ronda Edwards & Randy Melton, Michigan Colleges Online*
- 12:30-1:30pm**            **Breakout Discussion Sessions (led by technical assistance team members)**  
➤ Creating the Pathways  
➤ Getting Students onto the Path  
➤ Tracking and Monitoring Students
- 1:30-1:45pm**            **Break**
- 1:45-2:30pm**            **Review of Michigan Guided Pathways Activities & Expectations: A Deeper Dive**  
*Jenny Schanker, Michigan Center for Student Success*  
*Davis Jenkins, Community College Research Center*  
*Rob Johnstone, National Center for Inquiry & Improvement*
- 2:30-3:15pm**            **Engagement: What are you going to do first?**  
*Erin Knepler & Isaac Rowlett, Public Agenda*
- 3:15-3:30pm**            **Wrap-up and Decision Timeline**  
*Chris Baldwin, Michigan Center for Student Success*