Career Ladders Project

works in partnership with CA Community Colleges to provide educational and career advancement opportunities for all Californians.

We foster these opportunities through research, policy initiatives and strategic assistance to colleges and their K12, university, workforce development and community partners.
EdInsights: About Us

• EdInsights is a research and policy center devoted to student success

• Our mission is to inform and improve policymaking and practice within and across K-12 and postsecondary institutions by conducting:
  • Policy research
  • Program evaluation
  • Capacity building
BRIDGING THE GAP: STUDENT GOALS

Creating momentum with college and career readiness
- Engage in rigorous, aligned curricula
- Develop college knowledge and readiness competencies
- Graduate college and career ready

Gaining momentum from interest to enrollment
- Apply directly to postsecondary
- Apply for financial aid
- Select and enroll in postsecondary

Maintaining momentum to persist and complete credential
- Enter into aligned program of study
- Enroll in 12+ credits per term
- Complete program of study prerequisites
BRIDGING THE GAP: SHARED INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Creating momentum with college and career readiness

- Linked Learning pathways aligned with Common Core and programs of study
- Acceleration strategies into postsecondary
- College-going culture

Gaining momentum from interest to enrollment

- Postsecondary and financial aid application support
- Transition curricula

Maintaining momentum to persist and complete credential

- Multiple measures for postsecondary placement
- Transition support programs
- Programs of study aligned with Linked Learning and career pathways
- Acceleration strategies for on-time completion
- College-completion culture
Bridging the Gap Initiative

Investment Goals

• Strong intersegmental partnerships between K-12 districts, community colleges, and CSU campuses

• Integrated policies and practices that provide greater structure and support for students

• Systems level scale
## Bridging the Gap Initiative

### Initiative Design

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| Phase 2: Implementation Grants | October 2016 – September 2018 | Up to $500,000 |
BRIDGING THE GAP GRANTEEES

• East Bay
  • Peralta Community College District (lead)
  • CSU East Bay
  • Oakland Unified School District
  • Berkeley Unified School District

• Long Beach
  • CSU Long Beach (lead)
  • Long Beach City College
  • Long Beach Unified School District
  • City of Long Beach
Technical Assistance

• Research
• BtG element clarification, engagement
• Meeting and convening facilitation
• Mapping and white boarding (assets, pathway)
• Help with assessment
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