# Advance Equity in Course Placement & Success at California Community Colleges

# **Overview**

EdTrust-West, an education research and advocacy organization with a focus on racial justice, is thrilled to introduce an opportunity for teams from California community colleges. We are launching a hybrid Community of Practice (CoP) designed to help these teams create and apply strategies that ensure fair and effective course placement and completion in mathematics. This initiative directly addresses the reforms mandated by AB 705/AB 1705, aiming to significantly enhance the educational experiences and outcomes for students of color and multilingual learners.



# Community of Practice Format

#### Teams that join will engage in several key activities:

- An in-person kick-off session at EdTrust-West's Equity Forum on Monday, September 23, 2024, in Oakland
- Three virtual sessions on Tuesdays, October 22, November 12, and December 17, 2024, for the Los Angeles cohort, or Thursdays, October 24, November 14, and December 19, 2024, for the rural cohort

#### What will you gain by joining?

- College-level data reports and analysis
- Presentations and coaching from expert practitioners and researchers
- Facilitated feedback and consultations from facilitators and peers
- Time for planning and collaboration using provided templates, tools, and resources
- Cohort peer learning
- ► A Blueprint for Equity Plan (i.e., an action plan)
- Registration and travel reimbursement to attend Day 1 of EdTrust-West's Education Equity Forum on Monday, September 23, 2024, in Oakland, CA

- Two in-person Implementation Institutes on March 12, 2025, and June 4, 2025.
- Participants will be reimbursed for travel costs for the in-person events.





## **Eligibility and Priority**

- Teams from any college within the California Community College system can apply to join the Community of Practice.
- Special consideration will be given to teams from colleges that serve rural areas or are based in Los Angeles County.



# **Team Composition**

- A team can have between three to six members.
- Eligible team members include administrators, faculty, institutional research and planning professionals, pathways coordinators, AB 705 coordinators, staff involved in equitable course placement, and student leaders.



# **Application Timeline and Details**

## Application Opens: May 1, 2024

**Webinar for Interested Applicants:** Join our informational webinar on May 8, 2024, at 11:00 AM PT. Please register in advance here: https://edtrust.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN SDrr8tVXS5-02tdl1Hf1Tw

#### **Application Deadlines:**

- Priority Deadline: May 29, 2024. Early applications are encouraged, especially for teams from priority regions.
- Final Deadline: June 28, 2024.

#### **Decisions and Announcements:**

- **Decision Notifications:** Early July 2024.
- **Public Announcement:** By the end of July 2024.
- Apply Here: https://forms.gle/DvNGFAW9ugpTJ6UdA



# **HAVE QUESTIONS?**



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