

Collaborative Grant Projects



Showcasing and Replicating Community College Success-Delta was one of 18 colleges selected from around the country to participate in a 2009/2010 DOE mentoring project designed to help community colleges develop meaningful and collaborative relationships in which mentor colleges share ideas and lessons learned and provide guidance to strengthen or enhance an initiative at mentee colleges. Delta, along with Aims CC, Colorado, was mentored by Skagit Valley (Seattle, WA) as it created learning communities for developmental students (ISLCs).

2009/2010 Delta Innovation Incubator Grants:

"Rerouting the Path to College-Level Success for Borderline Students" This collaborative project identifies high school seniors who test close to COMPASS cut-off scores, places them in two-week workshops, and provides targeted help in the areas where they are weak in ENG or MTH. At the completion of the workshop, students are retested to see if they can move up a level, to ENG 111A or MTH 119.



"Taste of College Day"- This collaborative project targets at-risk students (grades 9-12) who might never consider college as an option in their lives. The high school students visit campus for a day of mini-classes, campus tour, lunch, and Planetarium visit. Each high school student is matched up with a Delta student mentor, who may be an honors student or may have been a developmental student. Training for the Delta student mentors is provided, including information on service learning and understanding issues at-risk students face.



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Developmental Education at Delta College: A Coordinated Program

Our Vision

**We open
the door to
opportunities
for diverse
learners
to grow.**



**Visit Developmental
Education at our website:**

<http://www.delta.edu/deved.aspx>

Program Description

Developmental Education at Delta is a highly coordinated program (DECOOR), with a Developmental Ed Director, Bridge Director, and three faculty/staff coordinators representing English, Math, and the T/LC.



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Resources and Services

- **Resources for Developmental Educators (RDE)**- Website designed for adjunct and full-time faculty and staff, includes a "Faculty Corner" with best-practice assignments/projects, important statistics, announcements of upcoming events, and links to information and sites you may find useful when planning and developing classes, working with students, and locating resources. It also features an "Educator of the Month" and provides customized links to the Bridge Program, T/LC, Disability Services, FCTE, Counseling, and others. Find RDE under Delta's "A-Z Index" or go to: <http://www.delta.edu/deved.asp>
- **Early Alert/Retention Program**-Available online, to make early referrals for at-risk students and to collect and analyze risk-factor data affecting student retention and success. (Visit the *RDE* website for an online referral link.)
- **Integrated Studies Learning Communities**-Learning communities for first-semester developmental students, successfully piloted in fall 2009. These counseling-enhanced ISLC's were strategically developed around career tracks and students' strengths. Fall 2010 will bring 3 ISLC's, including one at Ricker Center.
- **MTH092-MTH096-MTH097 (Math³) EXPRESS**-An accelerated combination of MTH092, MTH 096 and MTH097 offered in a new course design to allow students to complete the developmental sequence in *one semester*.
- **Professional Development**-The Developmental Ed DECOOR Team offers numerous professional development opportunities via the COS. Also, an internet-delivered course, ED 396: Facilitating Developmental Learning for faculty/staff fosters comprehensive professional development for educators supporting and teaching developmental students. (Check with the FCTE for availability.)
- **MyConnection Program** matches at-risk students (who volunteer for participation) with college staffers (who also volunteer) in a coaching relationship. For more information, email inquiries to myconnection@delta.edu
- **Bridge Program**- Academic guidance and support for non-prepared students. Helps at-risk students select courses that best fit their skill levels and access services to aid in their success.

Classroom Materials

- Brochures and handouts- "How to Do Better on the COMPASS Test" and "Student Success Suggestions"
- Campus maps are available in the DE Office (A-118)
- DVD-Campus Services Orientation Video: *A Tour to Help Students Succeed* available for instructors to present/discuss in class. Video may be viewed on the Developmental Education Website or you can contact our office in A-118 for your own copy.
- StrengthsQuest books and handouts
- Early Alert: Flowchart, "Tips for Success," and statement for syllabus available in Developmental Ed Office and on *RDE* website
- Disabilities Services statement for syllabus available in Developmental Ed Office and on *RDE* website.
- NADE Journals and a variety of Developmental Education books
- Developmental education timelines (college and nation-wide)
- Information/opportunities for membership in professional developmental education associations such as MDEC and NADE

