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Executive Board Involvement: NACCTEP members have opportunities to nominate, vote, and participate in Association elections.

Ambassador Program: NACCTEP members can represent the Association locally and/or regionally, and provide a communication link between Board members and member states.

National Lobbying Efforts: NACCTEP advocates on behalf of community college teacher education programs nationally.

Discounted Conference Fees: NACCTEP members receive a registration discount for NACCTEP annual conferences.

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Leading the Way in Community College Teacher Education Programs



10th Annual National Conference

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March 2-4, 2012
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Community Colleges and Teacher Education

Community colleges play an essential role in the preparation and professional development of teachers. In many states, a majority of students who are preparing to become teachers begin their college careers at community colleges. Studies have shown that more than 50 percent of practicing teachers attended a community college for at least part of their education. Accessible and affordable, with diverse student bodies that represent local populations and established relationships with school districts and universities, community colleges are uniquely positioned to attract, prepare, and support teacher candidates.

In addition to offering the first two years of course requirements for a baccalaureate degree, community colleges offer coordinated programs for transfer; associate, post-baccalaureate, and baccalaureate degree programs; ongoing professional development opportunities for current educators; and comprehensive support services, all of which have increased student access to and completion of teacher preparation programs. Community colleges have the capacity not only to help meet the growing need for quality teachers, but also to increase the diversity of the teaching force.



NACCTEP

The National Association of Community College Teacher Education Programs (NACCTEP) is an organization of community college teacher education and early childhood program administrators, faculty, staff, and students. Other members include university, industry, and professional association partners. NACCTEP is an American Association of Community Colleges (AACCC) Affiliate Council.

NACCTEP serves as a voice for community colleges in national discussions about teacher education; supports institutions and individual members by enhancing current community college teacher education programs and serving as a resource for those looking to develop new programs; and facilitates connections between community college teacher education programs and faculty.

Our Mission

NACCTEP promotes the community college role in the recruitment, preparation, retention, and renewal of diverse early childhood and K-12 teachers and advances quality teacher education programs in the community college.

Our Goals

- Advocate, support, and represent community college teacher education programs at the national level
- Develop services, resources, and activities to enhance and promote the role of community college teacher education programs
- Establish and foster strategic alliances
- Strengthen and expand the Association

Member Benefits

Comprehensive Website: NACCTEP maintains an interactive website with extensive member-only resources, including national conference information, policy briefs, Association publications, resource websites, RSS feeds, forum discussions, and blogging.

Newsletters: NACCTEP produces newsletters that include a compilation of news regarding current membership, upcoming events, community college spotlights, and current educational issues.

News Alerts: NACCTEP provides a synthesis of the most up-to-date national information specifically affecting community college teacher education programs.

Scholarship Opportunities: NACCTEP provides financial assistance for teacher education students from member colleges through the NACCTEP National Scholarship Program. In addition, NACCTEP members and their students can apply for targeted scholarships through partner organizations.