



# NSHE Listening Session

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# Equity

## *Equity is:*

- Fairness.
- Meeting individual needs through intentional design of the college experience.
- Ensuring all aspects of higher education practice are conducted with inclusive excellence.
- Empowerment through removal of structural and systemic barriers.
- Integration of diverse stakeholders in decision making.

## *NSHE's responsibility:*

- Confront long-standing, systemic inequity.
- Implement an equity-specific agenda.
- Prioritize opportunities for underserved students, faculty/staff, and communities to achieve equal outcomes.

## *NSHE's opportunity:*

- Demographics forecast for the future of America.
- NSHE can serve as a transformational model for closing the achievement gap.
- Become an employer of choice.

- Workforce Development
- Funding
- Academic Support
- Student Support

# Workforce Development



## *Workforce Development is:*

- Connecting skills, soft skill, and training with employer needs.
- Ensuring agility to address immediate needs.
- Projecting and preparing for future needs.

## *NSHE's responsibility:*

- Collaboratively address the challenges of the workforce and industry education needs of Nevada.
- Work as a single system to ensure smooth student transitions.
- Communicate with employers and workforce development partners.

## *NSHE's opportunity:*

- Leading in the development of models for lifelong learning.
- Meeting the skills and training needs of all Nevadans.
- Optimizing opportunities within the System through coordination.

# Workforce Development



*NSHE is currently focused on:*

- Offering credit for prior learning
- Providing stackable credentials
- A statewide workforce development strategy
- Supporting workforce development with data and research

# Funding

## *NSHE Funding is:*

- Based on a model developed by the legislature with input from the NSHE Board of Regents.
- Current funding model ensures state funding is equitable to all institutions, simpler, and transparent.
- Current model consists of two basic components: base formula driven primarily by course completions and a performance pool.

## *NSHE's responsibility:*

- Maximize and coordinate the use of resources within the System.
- Support efforts to bring in federal dollars.
- Advocate for equity among all institutions.

## *NSHE's opportunity:*

- Transform to a sustainable funding model for the long-term.
- Build a culture of philanthropy within NSHE.
- Drive change within the system through strategic investments.

# Funding

*NSHE is currently focused on:*

- Current model sustainability
- Responding to the state's funding formula
- Private investment
- Federal funding for higher education

# Academic Support



## *Academic Support is:*

- Seamless transfer which is defined as the ease with which students move between NSHE institutions.
- Online learning introduces new opportunities for student success and challenges that need to be addressed by taking the student off-campus.
- Strategies and tools used to ensure success for students of all levels of academic preparation.

## *NSHE's responsibility:*

- Emphasize "systemness" between all 8 NSHE institutions.
- Provide a single vision that allows for reducing gaps and duplication in online services.
- Provide standards and support for student advising, co-requisite, access, and other services for all students.

## *NSHE's opportunity:*

- Collaboratively address barriers to ensure successful student experience within the system.
- Provide a vision for the maximization of system-wide tools to remain competitive in the online learning market.
- Become a national leader in serving the demographics that will be the future of the country.



# Academic Support

*NSHE is currently focused on:*

- Online learning task force in place
- Advising and tutoring opportunities
- Corequisite courses for Math and English
- Accelerating time to degree by expanding the use of prior learning assessment opportunities
- Basic needs support

# Student Support

## *Student Support is:*

- Providing opportunities for academic and co-curricular development.
- Assisting students with college requirements.
- Assisting with personal and family needs when necessary.
- Empowering students toward the successful completion of their postsecondary education.

## *NSHE's responsibility:*

- Maximize student resources through coordination and collaboration.
- Strengthen advocacy.
- Identify barriers to student success.
- Provide supports through the lens of equity and systemness.

## *NSHE's opportunity:*

- Build a college going culture.
- Increase capture rate of students leaving high school.
- Serve a model for increasing student outcomes.

# Student Support

*NSHE is currently focused on:*

- Wrap around support for students
- Childcare availability for students
- Offering transportation
- Mental health of students

# Upcoming Listening Sessions



## MARCH

- Virtual - 3/9, 1:30pm
- UNLV (Vegas) - 3/15, 9:30am
- GBC (Pahrump) - 3/16, 9:30am
- GBC (Elko - broadcast to other GBC campuses) - 3/24, 9:30am

## APRIL

- TMCC (Reno) - 4/7, 4:30pm
- DRI (Vegas) - 4/28, 2:30pm
- SW Vegas (off-campus location) - 4/29, 9:30am

# Thank you for attending!

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