

THOUGHT LEADERS' DIALOGUE FOCUSES ON NSF ATE PROGRAM

The [Community College Presidents' Initiative in STEM \(CCPI-STEM\)](#) and [The League for Innovation in the Community College](#) convened an online Thought Leaders' Dialogue on May 11. Dr. Rufus Gasper, president and CEO of The League, said concern about the "missing millions" of students who could be benefiting from ATE-funded projects led to the League's collaboration with CCPI-STEM. Gasper further acknowledged the vast differences in institutional capacities among community colleges. Ninety-one community college leaders shared their insights to catalyze engagement in STEM programs, particularly the [National Science Foundation's Advanced Technological Education \(NSF ATE\) program](#). A full report will be issued later this summer. "We're here to hear from you as you think about your role in the community college and how we as a sector can answer the clarion call to educate our students through transformative and innovative programs in STEM that are designed to meet current and future workforce needs," said Dr. Charlene M. Dukes, co-principal investigator of CCPI-STEM and president emeritus of [Prince George's Community College](#).

A second dialogue is scheduled for November 2023. Contact [CCPI-STEM](#) if you would like to attend.

Read the full article here: bit.ly/44ez9VR

DEVELOPMENT OF ATE PROPOSAL HAS POSITIVE IMPACT AT JACKSON COLLEGE

"The idea of the [ATE] project really infiltrates out into every part of what I often refer to as the ecosystem of our college and our workforce," Heather Ruttkofsky, dean of Health Sciences, Career & Technical Trades at [Jackson College](#) explained during the Midwest Regional Affiliates meeting of the [Community College Presidents' Initiative in STEM \(CCPI-STEM\)](#) on April 28.

Ruttkofsky described the transformative discussions between her and two faculty members at the [FORCCE-ATE](#) mentoring workshop in 2022. "The idea of changing the community and being the catalyst to do that was so inspiring and so profound that the faculty's idea [for a technician education innovation] went even further," Ruttkofsky said of the evolution of the ATE grant proposal submitted in fall 2022.

The team's work inspired other Jackson College faculty who began work in spring 2023 on another ATE grant proposal. For more info or to join a CCPI-STEM Regional Affiliate, follow the links on the map on [CCPI-STEM website](#).

Read the full article here: bit.ly/3NzGOXD

THE CCPI-STEM FELLOWS PROGRAM

The CCPI-STEM Fellows program supports community college faculty, administrators and staff, and individuals from industry and non-profit organizations to become future leaders and support the workforce educated in STEM disciplines. The program selects individuals who are pursuing graduate degrees and engage in research on STEM education and workforce development in community colleges. The fellowship provides a two-year honorarium of \$5,000 per year and a mentor. Mentors share their knowledge, experience, and skills in guiding the Fellows to address and navigate challenging issues at their workplace and in academic pursuits.

Eligibility criteria and the application process with complete calendar can be found at ccpi-stem.org/2023-fellows-application. For additional information, please contact the CCPI Fellows Program Coordinator, Dr. Ashok Agrawal, at Ashok@AgrawalAdvisory.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 24-27, 2023

High Impact Technology Exchange Conference (HI-TEC)

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July 27, 2023 | 11:00am ET

ACM Free TechTalk Webinar:

"Reskilling to Build Diverse Tech Teams"

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CCPI-STEM Fellows Application Deadlines

Step I due Sept. 1, 2023

Step II due Sept. 30, 2023

APPLY HERE: ccpi-stem.org/2023-fellows-application

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