Financial Stability for Student Success in Michigan

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Michigan Context

- Institutions
  - 28 community colleges
  - 3 tribal colleges
  - 15 public universities
  - 25+ independent colleges

- Highly Decentralized
  - No state agency
  - Locally elected boards
  - Limited state policy influence
GUIDED PATHWAYS INSTITUTE
MITRANSFER PATHWAYS
PROJECT WIN-WIN, CREDIT WHEN IT’S DUE, DEGREES WHEN DUE
DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION REFORM EFFORTS
20+ INITIATIVES
MiBridges: Apply for benefits, manage your case, and explore resources
Challenge(s) of Practice

• increase the institutional awareness and understanding of students’ non-academic needs;
• screen more students to detect non-academic barriers to success;
• connect more students with public benefits and community resources;
• weave these practices in to scaled guided pathways and advising practices;
• share best practices across the network of community colleges in Michigan.
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