



**Wharton County
Junior College**

**Proposed Agenda Item
Board of Trustees Meeting**

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Date of Board Meeting: September 16, 2020

Date of This Proposal: September 4, 2020

SUBJECT (item as it will appear on agenda):

Information Item: Department of Education Title V Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions Grant, Career and Transfer Center.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review information item.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

The goal for the proposed Title V project is to increase the completion, persistence and transfer rates of students, particularly Hispanic students and First Time in College (FTIC) students, through the creation of a Career and Transfer Center. The Center will include a career-themed summer bridge program focusing on goal formulation, career choice, and financial literacy. (CPP 2). Additional components include proactive advisement, career exploration, alternative pathways, and internship/apprenticeship opportunities. (CPP 1). A virtual online presence for the services offered at the Center will be created.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): \$600,000 annually

No cost to the College. Grant funds will be deposited for expenditure from the Current Restricted Fund.

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:

Marybelle P. Albrecht, Director of Grant Writing and Compliance

SIGNATURES:

Marybelle P. Albrecht
Originator

9-4-20
Date

Cabinet-Level Supervisor

Date

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

[Signature]

9-8-20



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OVERVIEW

Grant Award: Department of Education

Grant Title: Federal Funding Title V Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions Grant, Career and Transfer Center

Award Period: October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2025

Annual Award Amount: \$600,000 annually

Matching Requirement: None

Requirements for Consideration:

WCJC's goal for the proposed Title V project is to increase the completion, persistence and transfer rates of students, particularly Hispanic students and First Time in College (FTIC) students, through the creation of a Career and Transfer Center which will remove the barriers that limit success in post-secondary education. The Center will include a career-themed summer bridge program focusing on goal formulation, career choice, and financial literacy. (Competitive Preference Priority 2). Student success will increase through proactive advisement, career exploration, alternative pathways, and internship/apprenticeship opportunities. (Competitive Preference Priority 1). Through career exploration, students will have a clear career goal and academic plan. A virtual online presence for the services offered at the Center will be created with interactive tools for students to develop goals and plans related to finances, careers, education and personal development.