

California Guided Pathways Project – Coach Biographies

Chris Hill, MiraCosta College



During her community college career, Chris Hill has served in faculty leadership (i.e., curriculum co-chair and Academic Senate president) and in administrative positions spanning both instruction and student services, all of which helps her bring a broad, student-focused perspective to her work. She currently serves as the Dean of Research, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness at MiraCosta College. Chris has led initiatives and facilitated college-wide work (such as guided pathways, Achieving the Dream, and integrated planning) that has resulted in transformational approaches to student success and institutional effectiveness. She does so by engaging faculty, classified staff, administrators and students in meaningful discussions on how the college can improve processes and/or alter approaches, and by coalescing the ideas generated into a coherent plan for implementation and evaluation.

Michael Poindexter, Sacramento City College



Michael Poindexter served as Interim President at Sacramento City College and recently returned to the Office of Vice President of Student Services. As Vice President of Student Services at Sacramento City College, Mr. Poindexter has more than 25 years of administrative experience. Mr. Poindexter has led an exceptional career, serving in both two-year and four-year institutional environments. Additional experience includes serving as Consultant to the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor of City College of San Francisco; Vice President of Student Affairs at the Community College of Rhode Island; Student Affairs at Kingsborough Community College (KBCC); Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment at Community College of Denver (CCD); Admissions Director at the University of Colorado; and an administrator at University of Texas, Iowa State University, and University of Northern Iowa. He also has served as a panelist/consultant for several PBS videoconferences on retention and serves as a consultant for the Community College Survey of Student Engagement and Achieving the Dream and was a previous Senior Consultant for Noel Levitz.