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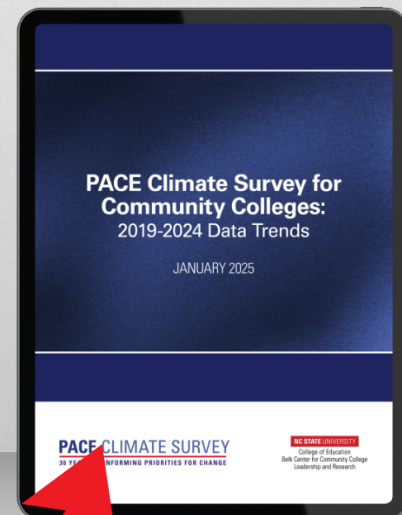
# COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES WANT TO BE CONNECTED TO INSTITUTIONAL MISSION

*NEWLY RELEASED RESEARCH*



PACE CLIMATE SURVEY

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**Change** is an inevitable part of community college leadership – both in North Carolina and across the nation – and the ability to **adapt** while maintaining a focus on **student success** is critical for navigating the future.

In our latest [\*\*PACE Climate Survey Trends Report\*\*](#), which shares key findings from the PACE Climate Survey conducted at community colleges between Fall 2019 and Spring 2024, the Belk Center research team offers insights into the **institutional structure, supervisory relationships, teamwork, racial climate** and **student success** amongst community

college leaders in a post-pandemic world.

Download the newly released report to dive into the key trends and learn how to navigate challenges effectively.

**PACE CLIMATE SURVEY TRENDS REPORT**

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## **BUILDING UPON THE DALLAS HERRING LECTURE**

When **Dr. Russell Lowery-Hart** delivered this year's [Dallas Herring Lecture](#), he challenged community college leaders to transform their institutions by ***loving their students to success***. This process requires courage and a deeper commitment to students, faculty, staff and colleagues – starting with reimagining what leading with love truly means.



Explore his transformative three-part framework in the newly released **DHL Booklet** and revisit the impactful lecture.

**DOWNLOAD THE 2024  
DHL BOOKLET**

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## **ADVANCING LATINE STUDENT SUCCESS**



This month's virtual [Avanza](#) event provided insightful perspectives on national policies, best practices and transformative strategies that Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) have successfully implemented.

We are grateful for our Avanza partnership with [LatinxEd](#) and [The Hunt Institute](#), which creates a community for institutional leaders to explore best practices and address barriers to Latine student success. This yearlong program equipped community college cohorts with technical assistance and policy support, empowering leaders to build capacity, drive innovation, and advance access and attainment for Latine learners in North Carolina.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT AVANZA](#)

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## ADDRESSING RURAL HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE GAPS

Discover the [Rural Healthcare Partnerships Toolkit](#) – an innovative resource designed for healthcare organizations, community colleges and partners to develop strategic partnerships that address local workforce needs.

Developed by the Rural Postsecondary Practices Partnership (RP3), in collaboration with the Belk Center, the [North Carolina Community College System](#), [EducationNC](#) and [myFutureNC](#), this toolkit highlights proven models used across rural North Carolina to strengthen the healthcare pipeline and workforce development.



**EXPLORE HOW THESE PARTNERSHIPS ARE TRANSFORMING RURAL HEALTHCARE**

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## **DEVELOPING INNOVATIONS AT RURAL-SERVING COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

Rural-serving community colleges play a **critical role in addressing statewide workforce development needs**, and institutions in North Carolina and around the nation face unique challenges in doing so. To succeed, they must embrace new models and innovations that drive progress.

Fostering innovation starts with a mindset that **challenges the status**



**quo, empowers leaders to ask hard questions** and **encourages taking risks**. With institutional trust, leaders can address long-standing challenges and build the foundation for innovation.

In their latest article in ***Community College Daily***, Dr. Audrey J. Jaeger, Dr. Zachary Barricklow and Dr. Pamela Eddy explore **actionable strategies** that can help rural-serving community college leaders drive innovation and create meaningful impacts in their communities.

**READ THE PRACTICES FOR DEVELOPING INNOVATIVE LEADERS**

**DISCOVER THE BELK CENTER'S RURAL RESEARCH**

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## **JOIN THE BELK CENTER TEAM**

# **WE'RE HIRING!**

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This key role is vital to the success of the Belk Center, providing essential

support to our Executive Director, Dr. Audrey J. Jaeger, our incredible team and our many programs and initiatives.

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## BELK CENTER IN THE NEWS



**EdNC:** [Perspective | Developing future community college presidents in North Carolina](#)



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