2012-2014 BI-ANNUAL REPORT

COMMITTMENT through COLLABORATION
“America’s colleges and universities differ in many ways. Some are public, others are independent; some are large urban universities, some are two-year community colleges, and still others are small rural campuses. Some offer graduate and professional programs, others focus primarily on undergraduate education. Each of our more than 4,000 colleges and universities has its own specific and distinct mission. This collective diversity among institutions is one of the great strengths of America’s higher education system, and has helped make it the best in the world. Preserving that diversity is essential if we hope to serve the needs of our democratic society and of the increasingly global scope of the economy.”

—American Council on Education Board of Directors—2012
Working in partnership for the shared benefit of students, faculty, administration and staff at each of our member institutions is the cornerstone of the consortial work of the New Hampshire College & University Council (NHCUC). The NHCUC is a unique statewide association of both public and private higher education institutions dedicated to enhancing higher education opportunities in the Granite State.

Our member institutions regularly share scarce resources, participate in collaborative programs and explore important new initiatives. This bi-annual report highlights many of the activities undertaken by the NHCUC and we hope you will take the time to review our efforts outlined herein.

We want to especially thank the many campus partners who regularly lead, participate in and support the mission and activities of this collaborative organization.

The NHCUC is a non-profit association of higher education institutions supported through member assessments and grants.

Our Board consists of the presidents and chancellors from each of our member institutions. The Board provides critical guidance and oversight to the many on-going and innovative activities of the NHCUC.

Thank you for your interest and support.

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The New Hampshire College & University Council is a 501(c)3 educational consortium whose mission is the advancement of public and private higher education in New Hampshire.
ADVOCACY

The NHCUC is a visible and vital voice for the public and private, not-for-profit higher education sector in the Granite State. We regularly communicate with the media, business leaders and public policy makers on the important higher education issues of the day.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

The NHCUC manages a number of on-going programs including staffing the Academic Affairs, Admission, Career Professionals and Libraries Committees. Additional programs include providing administrative oversight to the New Hampshire Forum on the Future, New Hampshire Scholars and a number of publications and surveys.

NEW INITIATIVES

The NHCUC is responsive to a wide array of campus and community needs and is well positioned to take on new initiatives in response to consistent requests and Board approved priorities. Recently the NHCUC co-sponsored a professional development conference on Veteran services, providing administrative support to the New Hampshire Coalition for Business and Education, creation of the New Hampshire Forum on the Future’s CEO Roundtable and convening a newly formed CFO Council from member campuses.
48 YEARS

The New Hampshire College & University Council was founded in 1966 and is a unique statewide consortium of public and private, non-profit colleges and universities. For nearly fifty years the NHCUC has promoted and advanced inter-institutional collaboration, cost sharing, best practices and exploration of new initiatives.
MEMBERSHIP

The New Hampshire College & University Council is fortunate to have a distinguished list of institutions of higher learning in its membership base. NHCUC members are a diverse group of postsecondary institutions with unique cultures, complexities and academic missions. As New Hampshire based institutions they have much in common and a great deal to gain from their mutual association.

Antioch University New England

Colby-Sawyer College

Community College System of New Hampshire

Dartmouth College

Franklin Pierce University

Granite State College

Hellenic American University

Keene State College

MCPHS University

New England College

New Hampshire Institute of Art

Plymouth State University

Rivier University

Saint Anselm College

Southern New Hampshire University

University of New Hampshire
OPPORTUNITY

70,000+ STUDENTS
17,000+ FACULTY AND STAFF
The NHCUC member institutions provide educational opportunities to students across the state, the nation and the globe. The NHCUC works in collaboration with campus administration, faculty and staff at each of the member institutions to assist and enhance their individual and collective endeavors. Additionally, we partner with the business and K-12 community to help build New Hampshire’s pipeline of well prepared and highly educated citizens.

NH FORUM ON THE FUTURE
The New Hampshire Forum on the Future, founded in 2005, brings a sharp focus to the variety of forces shaping the State of New Hampshire. The Forum convenes leaders from higher education, business and public policy to examine information on the New Hampshire economy, business climate, education, government, environment, energy, technology, demographics, culture, news media, etc. In effect, the Forum is serving as a cornerstone for examining the issues and trends in each of these areas and asking key questions, including how we can best prepare for our collective future.

NH EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDS—“ED”IES AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING FACULTY
The NHCUC annually participates in the New Hampshire Excellence in Higher Education Awards, informally known as the “ED”ies awards. The selection for Outstanding Teaching in Postsecondary Education Award is a competitive process which involves nominees from the various colleges which are members of the New Hampshire College & University Council.

ANNUAL COLLEGE FAIR FOR ESOL STUDENTS
More than 700 English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) have attended the Annual College Fair for ESOL Students. This three hour long event offers a student panel comprised of former refugee/immigrant high school students who at the time of the event are successfully enrolled in college, plus a college fair with 20+ New Hampshire institutions and provides college access resources (i.e. Center for College Planning, NH Diversity Pipeline Project, NHPOP, etc.).

COLLEGE ACCESS CONVENTIONS
More than 5000 underrepresented high school students have participated in 19 Regional College Access Conventions for higher education in the state (Monadnock Region, Greater Manchester Area, Lakes Region and North Country). The Access Convention is one of the most anticipated access events of the year. The NHCUC Diversity Initiative provides travel stipends to participating high schools and is free for students. The Access Convention offers: campus tours, college fairs, admission panels, student panels, financial aid workshops, motivational speakers and college going materials to nearly 1000 students annually.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
The NHCUC Academic Affairs Committee membership consists of the chief academic officers from each NHCUC member campus. The committee explores potential collaborative programs and resource sharing opportunities. Annually, the committee hosts an Academic Affairs Fall Conference and dialogue opportunities for Chief Academic and Chief Student Affairs Officers.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE
The NHCUC provides an opportunity for admissions offices to collaborate in creating awareness of affordability and accessibility and to raise visibility at member institutions. Activities include an annual guidance counselor tour; mini college fairs, social media efforts and various marketing/outreach activities.

CAREER PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE
Career professionals at NHCUC member institutions collaborate in establishing networking, conducting employer outreach and facilitating professional development in support of serving students and alumni, faculty and administration. Activities include an annual career fair; meetings with business leaders concerning workforce needs and various outreach efforts.

LIBRARIES COMMITTEE
Library directors regularly promote and improve cooperation and collaboration among member libraries in order to enhance effectiveness, efficiency, and service to patrons at participating institutions. Activities include an inter-library loan program, professional development programs and sharing of best practices.

NH SCHOLARS
Working with more than seventy high schools across the state the NHCUC encourages students to pursue a rigorous academic program in high school through the New Hampshire Scholars Initiative. With support from the New Hampshire Department of Education, NH Scholars has seen tremendous growth in this program and adoption by nearly every public high school in the state.
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