

# Faculty Employability Fellows

### **BENEFITS**

- Heightened understanding by faculty of the need to embed employability skills in the curriculum
- Enhancement of faculty members' ability to connect and communicate with employers
- Faculty Employability Champions on campus

## WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

"This was the best professionaldevelopment experience I have had in my 20 years of teaching."

> Dr. Amy Carrino Dean of Business, IT & Professional Studies Gateway Community & Technical College

"While institutions have a responsibility to prepare students for careers, **it is the faculty** who have access and opportunity to fulfill that responsibility. The Faculty Fellows have built projects that maximize their voice, access, and opportunity to improve the academic experiences of students."

Dr. Janna Vice
Faculty Fellows Director &
Provost Emeritus,
Eastern Kentucky University

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### **CREATING CULTURES SUPPORTING EMPLOYABILITY**

The ten-month Faculty Fellows program was designed to engage faculty more deeply in creating cultures supporting employability. Fellows engage directly with regional and statewide employers and policy makers and undertake original impact-oriented projects. Through this direct interaction and collaboration with mentors and other Fellows, faculty learn first-hand about their region's workforce needs, hear employer concerns and perceptions of the role higher education needs to play, and share their successes and challenges in attempting to address these workforce needs with other Fellows and institutional colleagues. The Fellowship culminates in an impact project to develop greater employability within the Fellow's school or institution.

#### **FEATURES**

