## Executive Summary Northeastern Technical College Quality Enhancement Plan

## "Skills for Student Success"

Northeastern Technical College's Quality Enhancement Plan, titled "Skills for Student Success," is designed to enhance student learning through a comprehensive approach including a three-credit-hour College Skills course augmented by workshops and seminars.

The learning outcomes for NETC's QEP are (1) Find and use campus resources and support services, (2) Develop or improve study skills, and (3) Demonstrate the ability to retrieve, analyze, and use information. Development of this skill set should increase student success in all programs of study at the college.

In developing the QEP, NETC involved the entire college community through focus groups consisting of faculty, staff, and students that provided possible topics. The QEP Literature Search Team evaluated the various possibilities, reviewed similar research in the literature, and helped the QEP Team to select Skills for Student Success as the topic. Overall, 31 faculty, 43 staff, and 316 students contributed to QEP selection and development. Northeastern Technical College demonstrates ongoing support of the QEP through effective planning and utilization of its human and financial resources. Personnel appointments, including the QEP Director and designated Skills for Student Success instructors, have been made. In addition, a 5-year \$321,270 budget provides funds for faculty release time, supplements, training, and professional development.

Assessment of the College's Quality Enhancement Plan involves multiple measures, including course-designed projects, as well as external indicators, such as GPA. These results have been integrated into NETC's ongoing Institutional Effectiveness process. As data are reported, these results will be utilized to 'close the loop' in order to ensure continued enhancement of student learning.

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