# Transforming the University and Advancing Equity

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## **Culturally Engaging Campus Environments**

- **Cultural Relevance**: Five indicators focus on the ways that campus environments are relevant to the cultural backgrounds and communities of diverse college students:
  - Cultural Familiarity
  - Culturally Relevant Knowledge
  - Cultural Community Service
  - Meaningful Cross-Cultural Engagement
  - Cultural Validation
- **Cultural Responsiveness**: The remaining four indicators focus on the ways in which campus environments respond to the cultural norms and needs of diverse students:
  - Collectivist Cultural Orientations
  - Humanized Educational Experiences
  - Proactive Philosophies
  - Availability of Holistic Support



#### National Institute for Transformation and Equity

- Expansion of CECE surveys
- National webcast series
- Professional development modules
- Organizational assessment services
- Digital bank of promising practices
- Research in brief series
- Research on educator-activist partnerships



#### **Clear and Committed Leadership**



# **Broad Ownership**



# Integration into Culture



#### **Victories and Vision**



# Experimentation



### **Systemic Perspective**



# **Empowerment of Students**



#### **Use of Research and Evidence**



# **Aggressive Recruitment**



#### Thank You

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