What’s Coming Up?

May
- We Can Texas Convening!
  - Presentations & Keynotes
  - Problems of Practice & Office Hours

June
- 1-on-1 Calls
  - Further defining and discussing problems of practice

July
- 1-on-1 Calls
  - Further defining and discussing problems of practice

August
- Resume Webinars!
  - Building more tailored technical assistance to support you through AY 2022-2023
Preparing for May Convening - Jerre

Our Objectives for the May Convening
• Learning More About Each Other
• Better Understanding What You Need Right Now
• Curating & Delivering Personalized Technical Assistance

Our Ask
• Each College Prepares a Presentation
• Each College Begins to Define a "Problem of Practice"
Presentation Outline

• Describe the structure of your team & role(s) - [Department/division, leadership structure, size of team/scale of programs]

• Tell us about 1-2 Recent Wins or Celebrations

• Tell us about 1-2 Biggest Priorities or Challenges to Solve [What barriers would you remove, policies change, or resources add if you had unlimited power/resources?]

• Finish this phrase: Something other colleges/regions could learn from us is...
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College Spotlight Presentations - Instructions

TECHNICAL NOTES

• PPT format (no handouts, please)
• One or two presenters
• Email the file to cbrackett@jff.org by EOD Thursday, May 5

STRUCTURE

• Each college will have 15 minutes total—~10 minutes presenting, remaining time for questions
• This is a safe space to share challenges and aspirations
• Center students in the framing of your successes, challenges, and goals
A growth area or **challenge**

Things that confound our strategies and theories of action

Policies or processes that **complicate** the work

**Goals of WE CAN TX**

- Scaling and **supporting equity**
- Enhancing **regional capacity**
- **Sustainability**

**Systems change!**

Altering practices to fit the current needs
If I had one hour to solve a problem my life depended on, I would use 55 minutes to identify the problem and 5 minutes to solve it.

Often attributed to Albert Einstein
Problems of Practice

**Exploring**
- What issues are you confronting in creating, continuing, or scaling apprenticeship programs at your college?

**Situating**
- Developing
- Implementing
- Advancing

**Framing**
- Describe the context of the problem
- Direct and indirect challenges faced
- Impact observed
- System-wide issues
- Regional issues

**Defining**
- Guiding question to focus for your efforts
- How will it be communicated?
## Problems of Practice

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Next Steps

- JFF Team Outreach for 1-on-1 Conversations
- May Convening
- TA Tailored to Problems of Practice Themes
**Closing**

**Action Steps**
- Determine presenters and prepare 10 min presentation
- Email PPT file to [cbrackett@jff.org](mailto:cbrackett@jff.org) by EOD

**May Convening**
- Determine a focus area for your Problem of Practice
- Review the PoP template prior to the WE CAN TX convening

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**May Convening**
- May 5
- May 9-10