

Allan Hancock College closes equity gaps with degree automation

Santa Maria, California | 2-year | Public | 12,000 students

The challenge



Excess credits weren't yielding completions.

Allan Hancock College (AHC) serves a primarily Hispanic community and a 50 percent first-generation student body. When a significant number of students failed to graduate despite earning excess credits, AHC identified an accessibility gap for students without built-in resources to navigate the graduation process.

The solution



Creating access and clarifying pathways.

Ellucian Banner
Degree Works

The result



Breaking through hidden barriers to student success.

Using Banner and Degree Works as the backbone, AHC created the "Credit Where Credit's Due" automation program, removing unnecessary steps to completion, scaling their algorithm to factor in alternative academic experience, and automatically awarding credentials to those who have earned them.

Impact



2,849

degrees and/or certificates auto-awarded since program inception



22%

increase in total degree-earners in first year of implementation



31%

increase in degrees awarded to first-generation students



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