

Responsive Programming

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Agenda

- Overview
- Current examples of responsive programs
- Approaches and Models of Responsive Programs - What other jurisdictions are doing
- Your turn
 - What are you doing?
 - What should we be doing?
 - What could we be doing if we collaborate?
- Best Idea!

What is responsive programming?

■ Student Needs

- Flexible delivery
- Recognition of prior education and experience
- Benefits outweigh costs
- Shortest distance to my next goal – job or further education
- Learning process builds on what they bring

■ Program Characteristics

- Flexible delivery
- Multiple entrance
- Well designed PLAR process
- Teaching processes that respond to the experienced learner
- Includes work experience
- Good pathways to further programs

According to the Web

Results of research of English Language CAAT web sites.

- Most web sites did not segregate this group on the front page. Example - Confederation on second page.
- Appears to be little programming that responds to these students
- Difficult to find –high click count

Web Search Continued

- Language is confusing – Pt studies Con Ed.
- Upgrading found under numerous headings
- Good programs often hidden in Con Ed.
- PLAR – not used as a recruiting tool
- Internationally trained – confusing language used to describe this group

Web Search Continued

- No clear information on credit transfer or exemptions
- Very high school focused – most web sites mentioned parents

FEATURES OF RESPONSIVE PROGRAMS AT GBC

- Shortened time frame
- Designed for particular students; not generic
- Specialized delivery, supports, or challenges
- Emphasis on skills and application
- Vocational orientation

RESPONSIVE PROGRAM TYPES

- Academic Upgrading
- High Support Apprenticeship
- Augmented Education
- Recovery and Rehabilitation
- Compressed and Fast-Track
- Graduate Certificate
- Distance learning – On-going Admission

Creating Responsive Programs

- Approaches to Creating responsive programs
- Principles for the Design of Responsive Programming
- Models of responsive programs – what other are doing