

**To:** Presidents, Chief Student Affairs Officers, Chief Academic Officers, Enrollment

Managers, Chief Financial Officers, Chief Diversity Officers, Communication

Directors and Institutional Research

From: NJ Office of the Secretary of Higher Education

**Date:** May 14, 2025

**Subject:** Register & Share: Free May 29 Virtual Convening on Supporting Some College,

No Degree Learners

The New Jersey Office of the Secretary of Higher Education is hosting the second statewide 'Some College, No Degree' (SCND) convening **virtually** on **Thursday**, **May 29**, **from 9:30am-12:30pm**. Attendees from across campus divisions will learn how to improve policies and practices to help SCND students re-enroll, persist, and complete a high-quality credential.

## Registering is Quick and Easy

All New Jersey higher education sectors are welcome to send a diverse team of practitioners, administrators, and faculty. Please forward this to your team to encourage attendance. https://oshe-nj-gov.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/fwSoAREdS WP71Oi15UEXQ

## **Agenda**

Join OSHE for an engaging conversation with ReUp Education and Ithaka S+R about the state's Some College, No Degree initiative, and from colleagues at NJ institutions about the work they have underway to transform the SCND student experience.

9:30am – 9:45am	Welcome & Opening Remarks Office of the Secretary of Higher Education
9:45am – 10:40am	Coaching: Supporting Learners, Driving Results  ReUp Education  Discover how ReUp's coaching empowers SCND learners with personalized support, helping them re-enroll, persist, and achieve their educational goals.
10:40am - 10:45am	Virtual Break
10:45am - 11:30am	Addressing Enrollment Barriers for Students with Some College, No Degree: Data, Policies, and Solutions  Ithaka S+R  This session will present preliminary data from a collaborative research project between NJ OSHE and Ithaka S+R to help better understand the challenges students and institutions face when students with SCND have past due balances and want to enroll.

## 11:30am – 12:15pm

### **Breakout Sessions**

#### **OPTON 1:**

## **Unlocking Insights: Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Strategies for Adult Learners**

The discussion will include best practices for data collection and analysis, as well as provide insight into how institutional researchers strategically communicate their findings on the adult learner experience to various stakeholders.

#### **OPTION 2:**

# From Stagnation to Success: How Policy Adjustments Can Support 'Some College, No Degree' Students

This panel will explore how institutions have reflected on and adjusted policies to better support SCND students by enhancing access, flexibility, and opportunities for success.

## **OPTION 3:**

## From Pause to Progress: Engagement Supports that Contribute to Student Persistence

Students returning to college need various supports to re-navigate their new academic environment and with the help of specialized programs and coaching, they are persisting. Hear from your peers about promising practices that are contributing to student progress.

12:15pm – 12:30pm **Key Takeaways and Closing** 

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For questions regarding the SCND initiative or this virtual convening, please reach out to Stefani Thachik, Stefani. Thachik@oshe.nj.gov.