

Presidents for Entrepreneurship Pledge Summary Validation Report

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SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR THE COLEMAN FOUNDATION

The PFEP Assessment is a <u>reliable</u> and <u>valid</u> predictor. Specifically, higher levels of agreement with activities and behaviors identified within the PFEP steps result in an increased probability that a college views itself as:

- Having an culture of entrepreneurship
- Using assets creatively
- Being involved in and connected to the local community
- Having effective entrepreneurial leadership
- Being able to address issues as they arise
- Having a significant role in the economic development of the community
- Having financial resources to explore opportunities
- Having the freedom to try new things
- Having a high level of entrepreneurial energy
- Accepting of new ideas and approaches
- Being included in discussions that impact local industry
- Generating ideas and activities, related to entrepreneurship, that are practical
- Having a "can do" attitude

NACCE's a priori 5-step model is most accurately explained by a 4-step model. The following indicates a possible interpretation of this model:

- 1. Create or Expand Internal Teams Dedicated to Entrepreneurship
- 2. Create or Expand External Teams Dedicated to Entrepreneurship
- 3. Engage Entrepreneurs, Assets and Create Awareness
- 4. Engage in Industry Cluster Development and Understand Local Trends

The relative weights analysis revealed the following:

- The step having the largest impact on how the college is perceived is <u>Engage Entrepreneurs</u>, <u>Assets and Create Awareness</u>. This step accounts for **32.2%** of R-square which is an approximation of how much of how a college views itself can be explained by the 4-steps.
- Engage in Industry Cluster Development and Understand Local Trends accounts for 30.6%
- Create or Expand Internal Teams Dedicated to Entrepreneurship accounts for 20.8%
- Create or Expand External Teams Dedicated to Entrepreneurship accounts for 16.4%

In practical terms the relative weights analysis provides a roadmap for positively impacting how a college views itself from an entrepreneurial perspective. In other words, with limited time, money and resources colleges that want to impact the greatest amount of change should focus on:

- Engaging entrepreneurs in the local community (Crazy Quilt; Pilot In Plane)
- Asset inventory and management (Bird-in Hand)
- Creating awareness internally (Crazy Quilt)
- Externally marketing assets and services the college has to offer within the local community (Crazy Quilt)
- Identifying ROI metrics (Affordable Loss)
- Understanding local trends (Lemonade Principle)
- Responding creatively and practically to local trends (Lemonade Principle; Pilot in Plane)