



Carolina Cluster
Career Pathways Program
CLAFLIN UNIVERSITY

CAREER **PATHWAYS** INITIATIVE NEWSLETTER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Career Counseling Sessions** are available in the Career Development Center!
- **HANDSHAKE Career Management System** is coming Spring 2018!
- **Credo Faculty Workshop** is scheduled for December 12, 2017!
- **UNCF & Lilly Foundation Site Visit** is coming March 28, 2018!

Project Overview

Funded by UNCF® and the Lilly Foundation, Inc., the Carolina Cluster Career Pathways Initiative is a consortium of three core Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in South Carolina: Benedict College, Claflin University, and Voorhees College.

The Career Pathways Initiative (CPI) presents an exciting opportunity to build upon Claflin University's tradition of delivering high quality educational experiences. The CPI will impact students' preparation for the workforce as well as graduate or professional school. Students will develop 21st century workforce competencies through

- **Curricula Enhancements**
- **Integrated Experiential Learning Activities**
- **Intentional Guided Career Pathways, and**
- **Corporate Engagement.**

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- **First Year Academic Advisors** are engaging first year students in exploring majors, and they pre-registered 90% of the first year class in two weeks!
- **Ms. Valeria Green**, Carolina Cluster State Office, arranged and accompanied Claflin students to the "Lean In CS & E: Hack. Grow. Create" event sponsored by LinkedIn & Facebook!
- **CPI Sub-Committees and Working Groups** are building the foundation for the CPI!



The 4 Elements

Curricula Enhancements



- The General Education Curriculum has been revitalized and reduced from 46 credit hours to 39 credit hours.

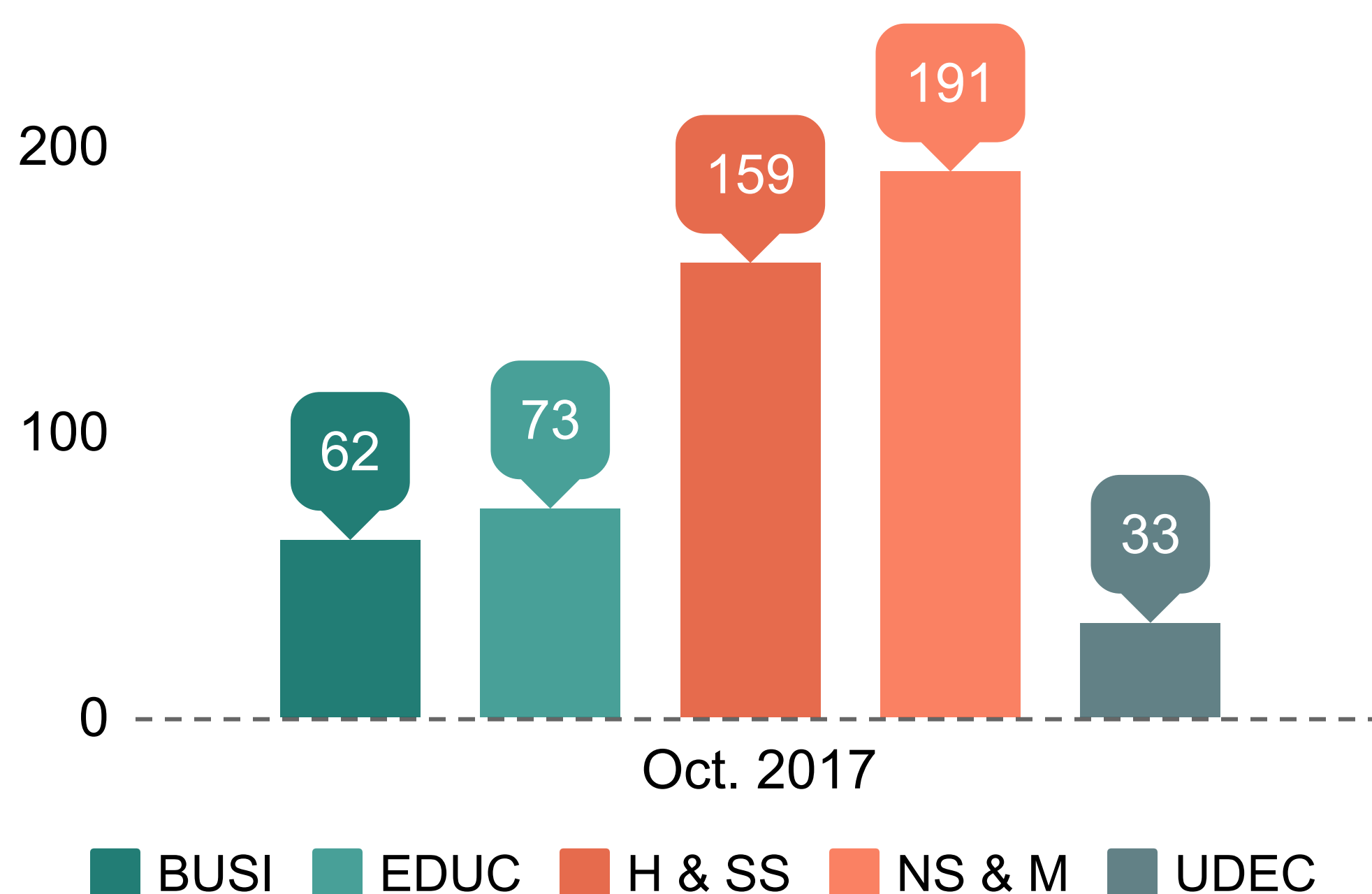
- Academic Departments are reviewing curricula for incorporating the 8 workforce competencies and experiential learning activities.

Guided Career Pathways



- 300 First Year Students have completed the Focus 2 Career online assessment.
- Career Counseling Workshops titled "Professional Essentials 101" have been scheduled throughout the fall semester.

Number of Students by School



Integrated Experiential Learning

The Experiential Learning Working Group, comprised of faculty and staff members, is developing plans for centralizing and tracking student participation in the 5 key areas of experiential learning:

- Internships/Co-Ops
- Study Abroad/Study Away
- Leadership
- Undergraduate Research
- Service Learning

Corporate Engagement



- Guidelines for structuring Advisory Boards have been completed, and will be distributed to academic departments soon.

- Dr. Tara Saracina, Associate Professor of Accounting, attended the 20th Anniversary Community Celebration of Intercontinental Hotel Group (IHG) on Sept. 26, 2017, and a partnership is being developed that includes opportunities for students.



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