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## SECC Continues Work for Ensuring Educational Equity

Ensuring equitable access for all students is a persistent challenge in the U.S. education system. To help address this challenge, the Southeast Comprehensive Center (SECC) hosted an Equity Summit November 29–30, 2018, in Jackson, Mississippi, with the theme “Accountable Leadership: Opportunities for Equitable Systems.”

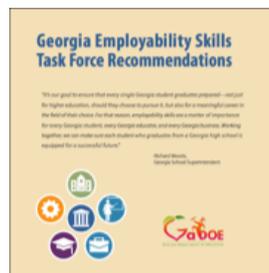


During the Equity Summit, more than 100 educators and leaders from states in the Southeast and Midwest regions examined data on equity gaps in specific geographic areas and the role of education systems and leaders in creating more equitable opportunities and outcomes. In addition, state equity teams developed draft equity plans related to the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to implement in their states after the summit.

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## SECC Project Spotlight: Georgia College and Career Pathways

How can states ensure that their students have the necessary knowledge and skills to succeed in college and in a growing number of technology-based careers? The state of Georgia is building college and career readiness, a key element in its plan for implementing ESSA. As part of this work, SECC is assisting Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE) staff at the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) with the implementation of GaDOE’s career pathways, which includes collection and analysis of feedback on more than 3,000 career pathways courses.



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## Upcoming Events

### NAFSA Annual Conference & Expo

Washington, District of Columbia  
May 26–31, 2019

The theme for this year’s conference is “Global Leadership, Learning, and Change.” It will feature engagement opportunities, more than 200 professional development sessions, and a large international education exposition.

[Event site](#)

### ASCD Conference on Teaching Excellence: Building Resilient Schools

Orlando, Florida  
June 25–27, 2019

The 2019 ASCD Conference on Teaching Excellence offers attendees the best and current instructional approaches. Educators from around the world will learn from experts who have survived trauma, adversity, and equity issues to build resilient lives.

[Event site](#)

## National Charter Schools Conference: Reimagining Education

Las Vegas, Nevada

June 30–July 3, 2019

The featured speaker for the 2019 conference is Sal Khan, founder of Khan Academy, a nonprofit organization that provides free, world-class education via its online learning platform. Conference topics will focus on the latest developments in district, state, and federal legislation; classroom management, curriculum, and teacher training; overseeing a charter school, board operations, and strategic planning; judging school quality; and other key topics.

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