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Bio: Rebecca Corbin is president & CEO of the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship (NACCE), a leading non-profit membership organization dedicated to providing leadership and sustainable, scalable resources to foster entrepreneurial thinking and action in one of the largest entrepreneurial ecosystems in North America.

She has forged several new partnerships with national foundations and corporations to advance STEM and skilled trades education, financial management and readiness for entrepreneurs, open education resources, entrepreneurship pipeline training from K-gray, ecosystem mapping, global entrepreneurship and intellectual property curriculum knowledge in

community colleges across the United States.

Prior to NACCE, Rebecca served as Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the BCC Foundation at Burlington County College (BCC). With her leadership, a new workforce development initiative at BCC was successfully launched. Rebecca also oversaw institutional advancement for the Foundation for New Jersey Public Broadcasting.

She has a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Kent State University, a Master of Public Administration degree from The University of Akron, and experience in the classroom as an adjunct instructor, teaching political science and public administration courses. She earned an Ed.D. in organizational leadership & innovation from Wilmington University in Delaware.

In February of 2016, Rebecca received the Audrey K. Doberstein Award for Leadership for outstanding leadership and dedication to the philosophy and mission of Wilmington University. In October of 2014 she was named one of the Top 40 Women in Business by SNJ Business People magazine. In 2011 she was named Fundraising Star of the Year by Fundraising Success magazine. She also co-ounded the Nonprofit Development Center of Southern New Jersey at Rowan University.

Rebecca understands higher education, nonprofit finance, and business development. She has presented on the topic of entrepreneurship education, ecosystem building, and transformational leadership at international, national, state and regional conferences with an applied focus on student success, STEM education, storytelling, and succession planning.

Rebecca serves as the publisher of the *Community College Entrepreneurship* journal and a guest editor for Emerald Publication's Journal for Small Business and Enterprise Development. In 2018, Corbin co-authored *Community Colleges as Incubators of Innovation: Unleashing Entrepreneurial Opportunities for Communities and Students* which addresses the urgent need for community colleges to prioritize entrepreneurship education both to remain relevant in a changing economy and to give graduate students the flexible and interdisciplinary mindsets needed for the future of society. In 2020, she co-authored *Impact ED: How Community College Entrepreneurship Creates Equity and Prosperity* which aims to be a roadmap for building a more inclusive and equitable economy for a future that is unknown.

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