







#### Tennessee Initiatives

Jessica Gibson, THEC India Lane, UT Randy Schulte, TBR



## The Big Picture

\* Within the context of the Drive to 55

- \* Get students ready
- \* Get students in
- \* Get students out
- \* Reconnect adults

Align with workforce needs



#### The Big Picture

#### \* A vision for 2025

\* Postsecondary education as a viable choice

#### \* Streamlined processes

\* Responsive, flexible, supportive



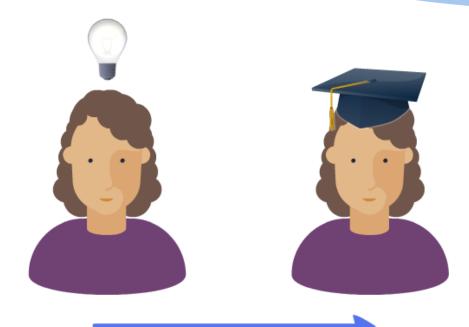
#### Tennessee Reconnect Update





# All adult-focused initiatives of the Drive to 55







 Reconnect + Complete / Statewide Marketing (2016)

\* Ready to Reconnect (2015-2016)
\* 17 institutions received funding

\* Veterans Reconnect (2015-present)
\* 14 institutions have received funding



\* TNReconnect.gov (2016-present)

\* 105,000 users / 600,000 page views

#### \* Tennessee Reconnect Communities (2016-present)

- \* 7000 Reconnectors currently served
- \* 11 percent enrolled (since March 2016)

\* Tennessee Reconnect Ambassadors (2016-present)

- \* 200 American Job Center staff
- \* 15 TN Dept. of Transportation HR staff
- More planned



- \* Growth in number of Tennessee Reconnect Communities (Summer 2017)
- \* Adult Learner Research initiative (Summer 2017)
- \* Tennessee Reconnect Act (if passed: Fall 2018)



# Tennessee Reverse Transfer Update



#### **Reverse Transfer**

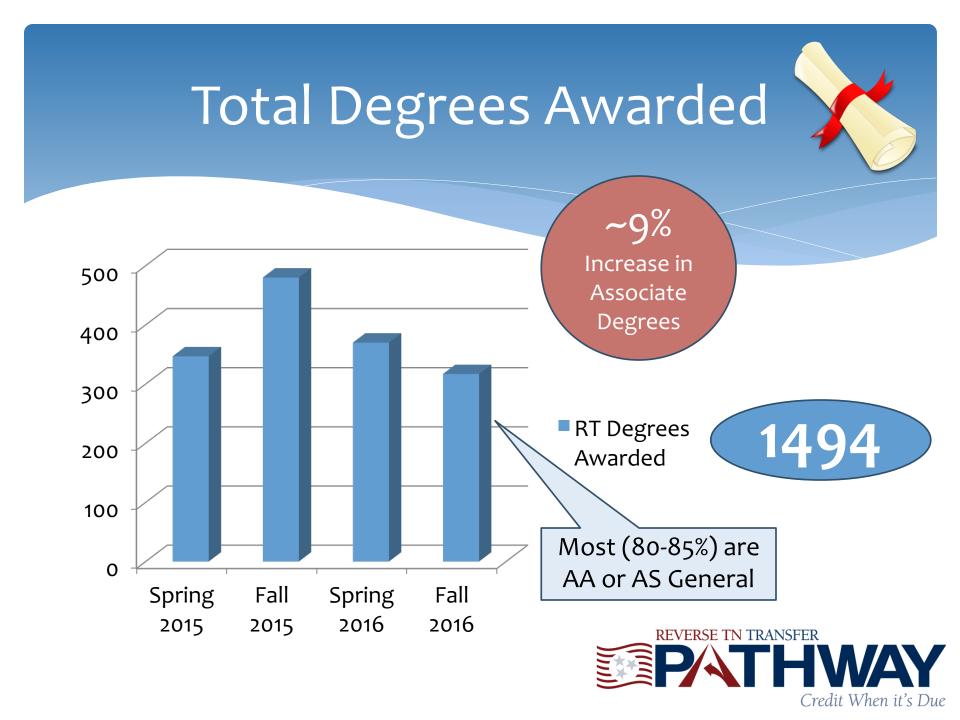
 Currently enrolled students who have transferred from a community college to a 4 year institution can combine credits from both institutions to earn an associate degree from their former community college.



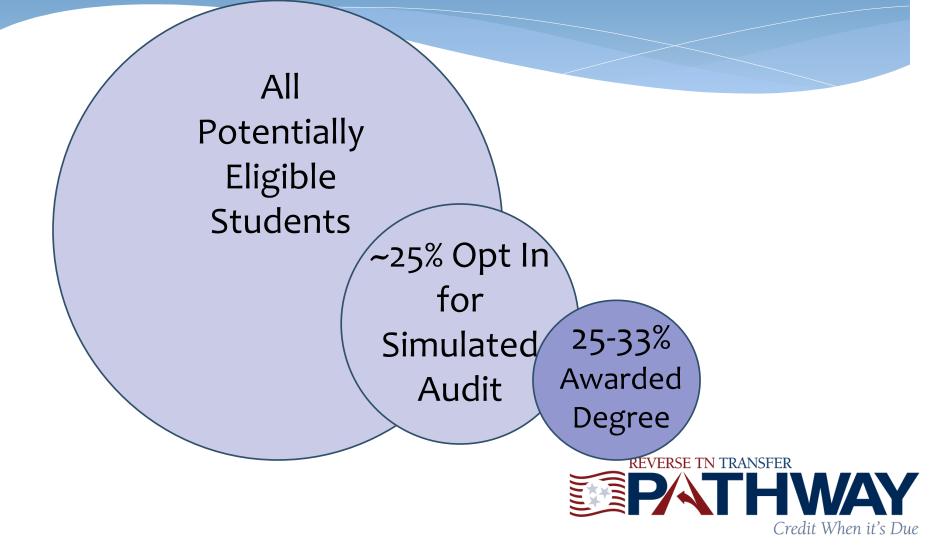
#### Reverse Transfer Benefits



Credit When it's Due



# Who receives Reverse Transfer Degrees?



#### Reverse Transfer Degrees

- \* Opt in and awards vary by institution
- \* Most (85%) are General associate degrees
- \* Factors affecting award (first 3 cycles)
  - \* Demographic factors
  - \* Completion factors

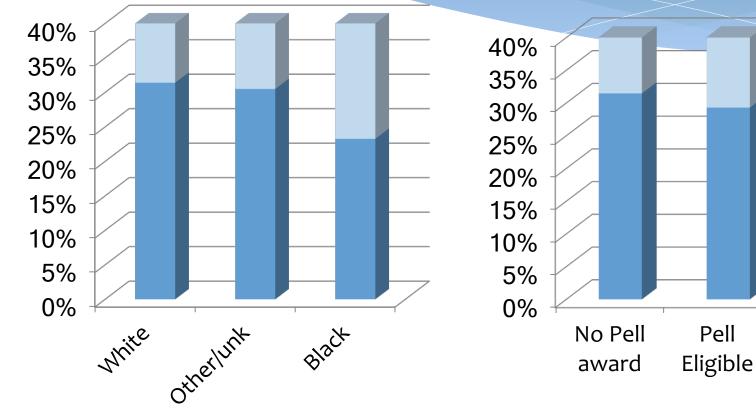


#### Reverse Transfer Awards

RACE

#### PELL **ELIGIBILITY**

Pell

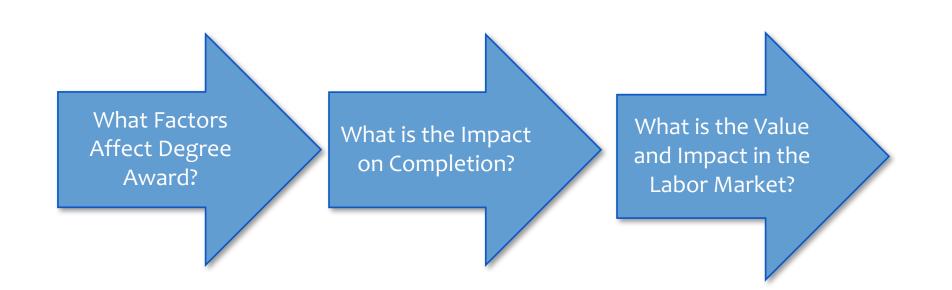


#### Reverse Transfer Unexpected consequences

- \* Enhanced relationships between community colleges and universities
- Infrastructure for TNReconnect.gov and other projects
- Insights into transfer student issues and advising needs



#### **Research Questions**

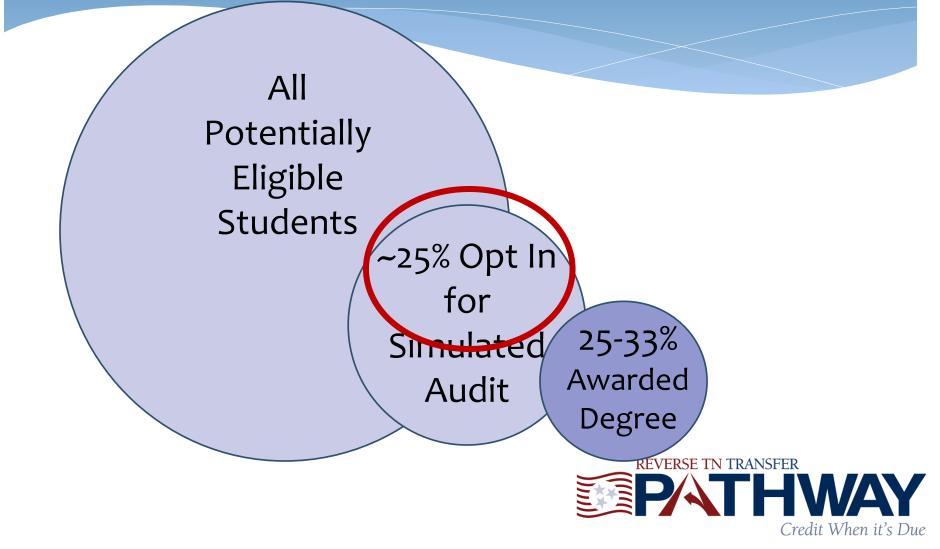


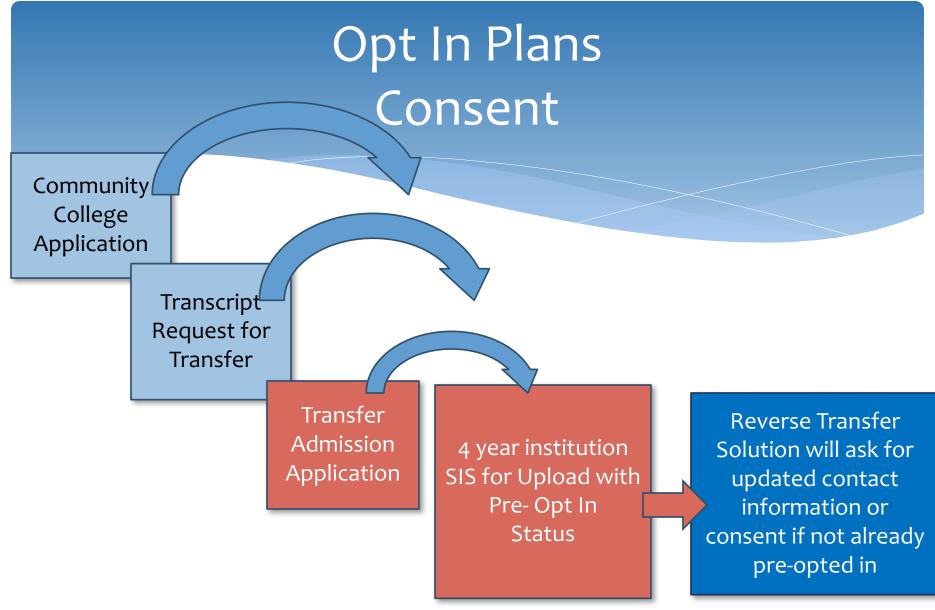


# Tennessee Reverse Transfer Next Steps

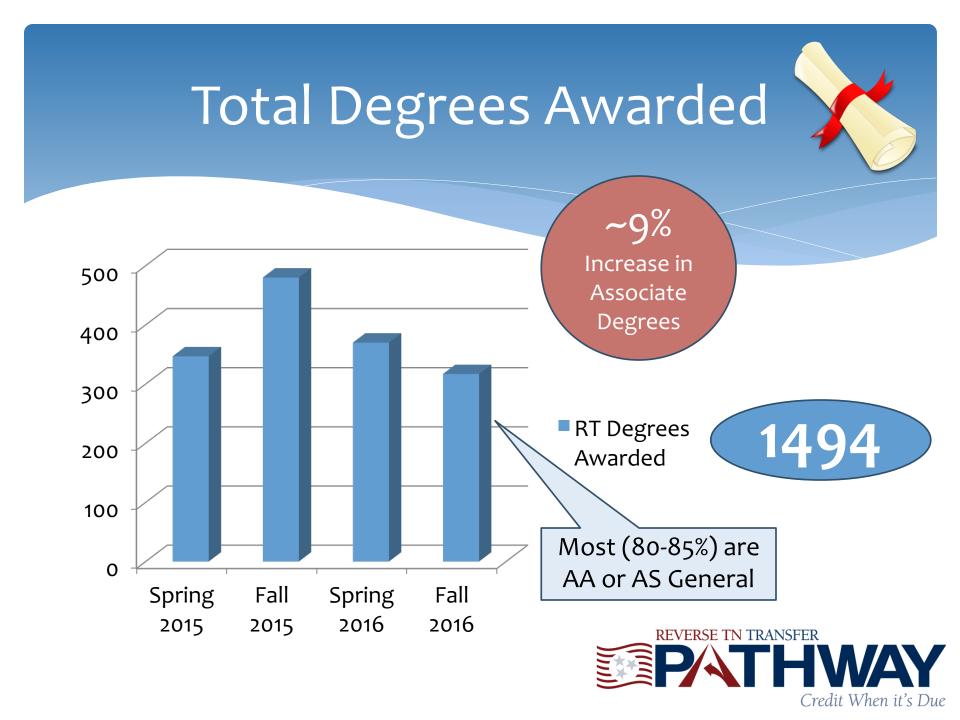


# Who receives Reverse Transfer Degrees?





REVERSE TN TRANSFER PATHWAY Credit When it's Due



#### **Reverse Transfer Benefits**



### **Reverse Transfer Benefits**



#### Reverse Transfer for Previous or Returning Students



#### **Research Questions**

