

New OVAE Reports on Postsecondary Bridging and Alignment

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The February 9, 2012 issue of [OVAE Connections](#) [www], the newsletter of the federal Office of Vocational and Adult Education, announced the publication of several reports of relevance to practitioners in Adult Education. They include:



- [Promoting College and Career Readiness: Bridge Programs for Low-Skill Adults](#) [pdf]: describes recent approaches to bridge programs and explores promising practices that contextualize and integrate instruction, and strengthen student support and transition services to improve postsecondary transition and completion.
- [Aligning Secondary and Postsecondary Education: Experiences from Career and Technical Education](#) [pdf]: follows the evolution of efforts to align secondary and postsecondary CTE, and outlines several promising CTE practices that may be effective in achieving better alignment for all students.
- [Integrating Industry-Driven Competencies in Education and Training Through Employer Engagement](#) [pdf]: describes partnership efforts between community colleges and employers, exploring models promoting curricular change and innovation.

The papers are part of a 2011 [Regional Community College Summit](#) [www] and the Community College Virtual Symposium, "Scaling the Community College Summit: Challenges, Solutions and Commitment." The focus of these efforts includes creating bridging programs for low-skilled adults and developing accessible career programs to foster adult student success. The reports are a result of the White House Regional Community College Summit, which was convened in October 2010 by President Obama and Dr. Jill Biden.

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