Completer Case Study

Montana’s Education Preparation Providers (MEPPs) have formed a Continuous Improvement Collaborative (CIC) for the purpose of developing a statewide protocol to survey our completers and employers and conduct case studies of our completers’ effectiveness in the classroom. As per the continuous improvement protocol, currently, we are working on the Completer Case Study. The Completer Case Study portion of the MEPP Statewide Protocol for Continuous Improvement will allow MEPPs to demonstrate and document the performance and impact of completers on student learning & development as well as completer perception of program relevance. Below information is extracted from the MEPP Statewide Protocol for Continuous Improvement (August 2019.)

1. Inquiry Question(s)
   - Each EPP will articulate their inquiry questions.
   - Questions will be based on findings of EPP data collection, including, but not limited to completer survey, employer survey, input from stakeholders, etc.

2. Description of Participant Selection
   - Each EPP will purposefully select participants for the Case study.

3. Description of Context
   - Each EPP will provide a thorough description of the context of the EPP (mission, practice, conceptual framework) as well as a description of the context and rationale for chosen area(s) of inquiry.

4. Description of MEPP Data Collection and Analyses
   - Description of the data collection process and results from the MEPP Employer Survey.
   - Description of the data collection process and results from the MEPP Completer Survey.
   - Observation of EPP participants’ teaching to demonstrate impact/performance--using the Danielson observation instrument as a follow up from the observations done in student teaching. The focus of the teaching observation will be guided by components germane to the inquiry question(s).

5. Description of EPP Specific Data Collection and Analyses
   - Specific to the identified and articulated area(s) of inquiry, each EPP will select appropriate forms of data collection and analyses to demonstrate completer impact/performance and areas of program strength and weakness. Each EPP will describe how they use results from these analyses to inform continuous program improvement.

Note: We have posted a summary of the case study that was completed in Spring 2021.