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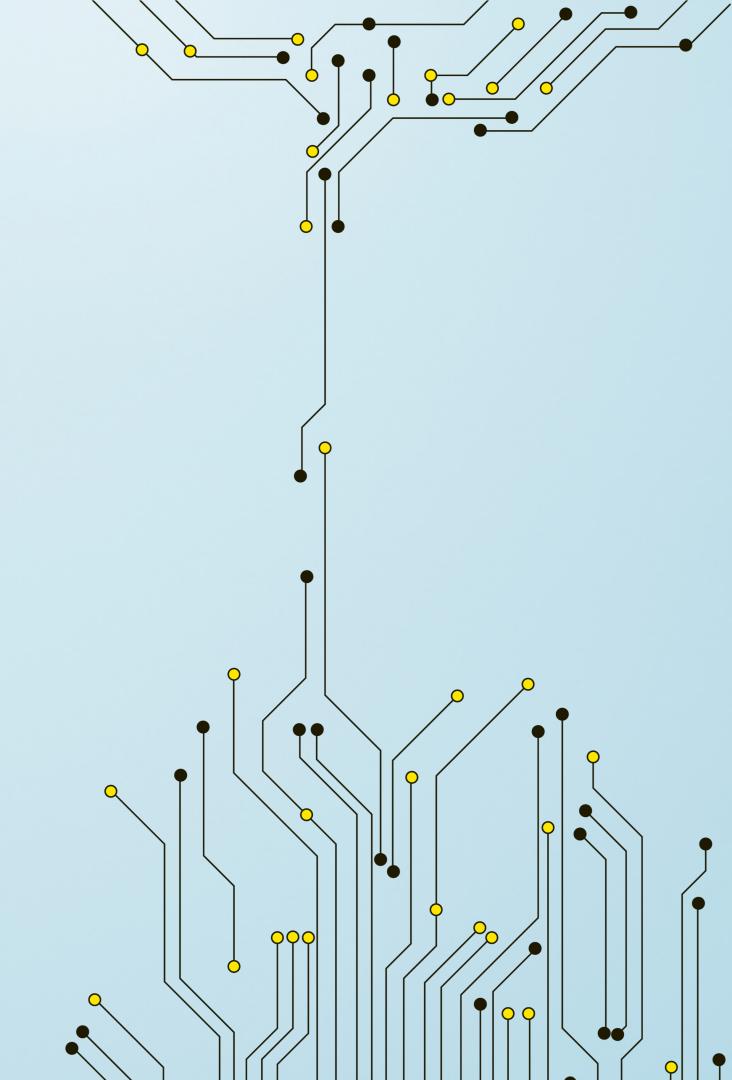


# Empowering MDC:

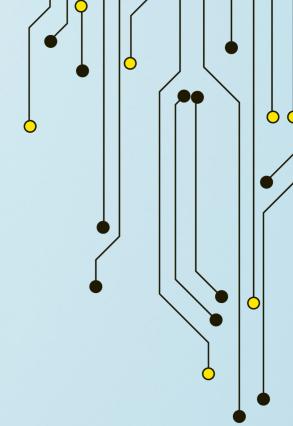
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# Project Vision & Overall Value Proposition



#### **VISION STATEMENT**

Empowering MDC faculty and students with innovative skills to meet industry and workforce demands while enhancing interdisciplinary collaboration.

#### **VALUE PROPOSITION**

This project supports MDC's goals of accelerating academic excellence, fostering a culture of care, and preparing students for the future of work.



# The Problems We're Solving at MDC

- We have a lack of digital fluency among faculty and students
- We have limited access to industry-recognized certifications for our students
- We have a lack of interdisciplinary collaboration that hinders student success.

Our project aims to address these problems.

#### STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Our project supports MDC's goals of reimagining student success and fueling the talent needs of a global economy.

# **Primary Stakeholders**



Faculty Professional Development

Engage faculty across six MDC campuses to enhance teaching practices using AI



Student Workforce Readiness

Film, TV, and digital production students gaining industry-recognized Multimedia Specialist certification



Nursing Professional Development

Nursing faculty and students improving data visualization using Adobe Express.

### The Solutions to the Problems



Faculty
Professional
Development

Workshops on emerging technologies and pedagogy



Multimedia Specialist Certification Course for Students

Workforce-aligned certification training for students



Informatics Conference for Nursing Professionals

Promoting healthcare data visualization skills

# Project Alignment with MDC's Strategic Goals



GOAL 1
REIMAGINING FOR
STUDENT SUCCESS



GOAL 2
ACCELERATING
ACADEMIC
EXCELLENCE &
INNOVATION



GOAL 3
VALUING A CULTURE
OF CARE TO
ADVANCE STUDENT
OUTCOMES



GOAL 4
FUELING THE TALENT
NEEDS OF A GLOBAL
ECONOMY



GOAL 5
SECURING OUR
FUTURE

Elevating teaching and learning innovations, equipping students for high-wage, high-demand careers, and encouraging interdisciplinary collaboration to address real-world challenges are essential priorities

## Basic Roadmap & Milestones



**Fall 2024** 

Planning and resource allocation for initiatives



Spring 2025 & Fall 2025

Presenting at the Nursing
Informatics Conference
Delivering faculty workshops and
student certification prep course



Spring 2026

Assessing impact and gathering feedback for scaling efforts.

#### **Milestones**

- Co-Facilitate 6 FPD Workshops across each of our 6 main campuses
- Co-Facilitate a CIW Certification Prep course with at least 40 students
  - Present at Nursing Informatics Conference with 100+ participants

### Resources

#### We have:

- Experienced facilitators like Dr. Tommy Demos and Dr. Eric Cornish.
- Institutional support from MDC leadership.
- Industry partnerships for CIW Certification and Adobe tools.

#### We need:

- Budget to host nursing informatics conference and pay presenters.
- Budget to finance FPD workshops and certification course materials and exams.
- Marketing support to recruit student & faculty participants.





# **Environmental Analysis**

#### **Strategic Fit**

Aligns with MDC's emphasis on digital transformation, workforce readiness, and interdisciplinary approaches.

#### Student Competitive Advantage

Leveraging MDC's strengths in professional development and industry collaboration, this initiative integrates high-impact teaching strategies with cutting-edge technology.

#### **Potential Risks**

Challenges such as lack of faculty and staff availability and low levels of student interest can be mitigated through early planning and targeted recruitment strategies

## **Funding Plans**

#### **Current Funding Needs**

- Internal MDC resources and BHEF support.
- CAPE Post-Secondary funding for CIW certification course materials and exams.

#### **Future Funding Needs**

- Securing additional grants or partnerships to expand scale and reach.
- Funding for extended professional development and interdisciplinary projects.







### **Call to Action**

We need the college to invest monetary resources to cover the costs of:

- Hosting the Nursing Informatics Conference
   Facilitating FPD Workshops
   Certification course materials and exam licenses

Marketing support to recruit student & faculty participants.

### With these resources we can Collaborate to Innovate at MDC!

