

**7:30 – 8:15 Registration and Breakfast**

**8:15 – 9:15 Opening General Session with Keynote**

Dr. Bryan Albrecht, President and CEO, Gateway Technical College

*How Credentials Spur Local Economic Growth*

*From summer boot camps to industry led training centers, to the location of Foxconn in Racine, WI, Gateway has helped individuals, companies, and the economy grow through high quality industry-recognized credentials.*

**9:15 – 9:45 Credential Summit Charge**

Dr. John Foster, President and CEO, NOCTI

*Why A Summit?*

*What defines a credential? What are the standards for technical credentialing? How do I know which one meets the needs of the population I serve? Dr. Foster will underscore the importance of our community's response.*

**9:45 – 10:00 Visit with Exhibitors and Morning Break**

**10:00 – 11:30 Concurrent Sessions – Theme: Components of Quality Credentials**

(40-minute presentations, select any 2)

**1. Starting with a Quality Foundation**

*Accreditation, standards, and assessment development: every step in the credentialing process is critical. Listen to one organization's quest for quality against the backdrop of the personnel accreditation (ISO 17024).*

**2. Implementing a Successful Credential Program**

*Focusing on implementation, a panel of experts will review the overall process of credential implementation including identifying a credential and funding sources, engaging industry, and ensuring stakeholder buy-in.*

**3. Connecting Education and Industry Through Credentials**

*A panel composed of leading industry associations will highlight the importance of offering credentials to students, helping students to determine a career pathway, and continuing to the world of work.*

**11:30 – 12:30 Lunch with Keynote**

*Why an Industry Starts a Credentialing Program*

**12:45 – 1:30 Concurrent Sessions – Theme: Successful Credential Case Studies**

**1. Internships and Apprenticeships: A Win-Win Experience**

*These programs provide opportunities for on-the-job learning and training. Our expert panel discusses the benefits for both individuals and the employer and will share what makes their programs successful.*

**2. Implementing a Successful Credential Program**

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**3. Certification vs. Certificate**

*Certification is a process involving approval of a facility. A certificate is a credential awarded to an individual. Organizations and associations employ both of these models. Our panel discusses the benefits of each.*

**1:45 – 2:30 Concurrent Sessions – Theme: Credentials: Making Them Work for You**

**1. Diving Into the Data**

*Taking a deeper look into the data can identify interesting trends which leads to informed curriculum improvement, instructional methods, and lesson planning.*

**2. Credential Data Collection**

*Connect recent research regarding the Certification Data Exchange Project and the Expanded Measures of Enrollment and Attainment. The session includes a look at a variety of data from different populations.*

**3. Credential Resources: What You Need to Know**

*A roadmap of available resources is a helpful tool. This session will walk through some popular resources to assist in navigating the credential world, equipping you with tools to make your job easier!*

**2:30 – 3:00 Visit with Exhibitors and Afternoon Break**

**3:00 – 3:45 Summit Reflections: Your Input**

Hosted by ACTE, NBS, and NOCTI

**4:00 – 5:00 Summit Wrap-up and Reception**

Hosted by ACTE, NOCTI, and Nocti Business Solutions

*Light hors d'oeuvres, and beverages, door prizes, and networking*