The CED is Achieving its Academic Mission

- 96% agreed that people from all backgrounds have equitable opportunities to advance their education and/or career opportunities at the CED.
- 97% agreed that their program taught them to use research and collect data to inform their practice.
- 96% agreed that the clinical practice experience was valuable in gaining experience in diverse settings, with diverse populations, and in receiving valuable feedback.
- 97% agreed that CED programs enabled them to work collaboratively within school, family, and/or community contexts.
- 88% feel well-prepared to find a job in their field within six months of graduation.

The CED Has Room to Grow when Supporting ALL Students

- 7% disagreed that they felt safe and supported.
- 3% disagreed that the CED is safe for LGBTQ students.
- 8% disagreed that the CED is safe for BIPOC students.
- 11% would not choose their CED program if they could start over.

Our CED Students Are Struggling

- On average, 20% had no experience with CED advising and support resources, including their program advisor, mental health and wellness resources, and the CED’s online social media presence.
- And yet, more than 55% faced one or more hardships in meeting basic needs during their program.

- 30% accrued credit card debt to pay for educational expenses, with 20% accruing credit card debt to pay for basic needs.
- 32% disagreed that they received adequate financial aid.
- 65% accrued student loan debt during their time in a CED program, with 12% accruing more than $30,000 of debt.

We Hear You

With 169 responses, this marked a substantial 107% increase compared to the previous year. This robust response rate provided us meaningful data and a holistic understanding of our students’ experiences and needs. The insights gathered from our graduating students will play a pivotal role in guiding conversations, informing decision-making at both college and program levels, and improving policies and practices to better support our students. To read the executive summary, go to: https://tinyurl.com/2023ceds.