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# Reconnecting The Gap

A bridge program for adults returning to the classroom

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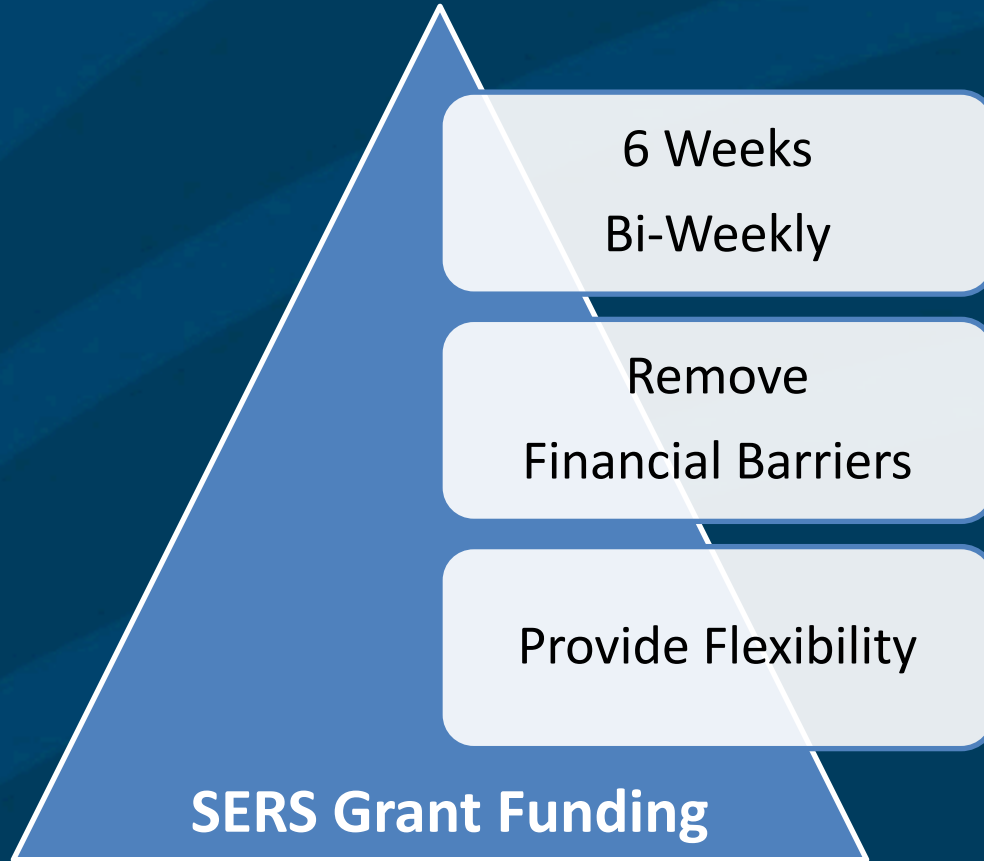
# Opportunity

- Developed using Walters State's program ideology
- Provide college course experience at no cost
- Encourage learning without fear of transcription
- Form learning and support community
- Encourage mentoring relationships



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# Support



# Community

- Adult students
- Reading & Writing Learning Support Requirements
- Mentor Contact
- Networking Opportunities
  - Dine & Discover

# Grant Specifics

- July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019
- \$32,616
  - Instructor Stipends - \$1,800
    - Benefits & Taxes
  - Meals & Refreshments
  - Testing Fees
  - My Reading Lab Access Code
  - Course Materials
  - Tutors/Proctors
  - Misc. Expenses

# Results

- Solicited 74 Students
  - 21 Enrolled (28% yield rate)
  - 15 students tested at the conclusion
  - 6 students tested out of at least one course (40% test out)
  - 13 students improved their score in at least one course
  - 15 students retained for the fall 2018 semester (71%)
  - 14 students participated in the program survey
    - 22 Questions
    - 13/14 WOULD recommend the program to a friend

# Student Testimonials

Everything was a great experience to starting college as it allowed me to learn more about stuff on campus and the website with the speakers.

Everything was great!

Overall the program is a great idea. I would like a math bridge class to be offered.

The program was very helpful.

Good program. Helps you get ready for college.

# Room to Grow

- Potentially offer math learning support bridge
- Ease restrictions to reading OR writing for more participants
- Longer class time
- More strategic guest speakers
- Mentor contact throughout first year



# Questions?

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