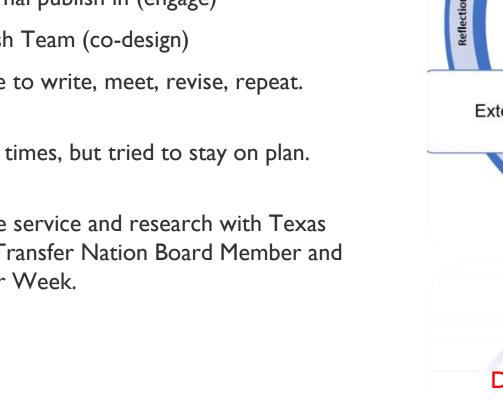
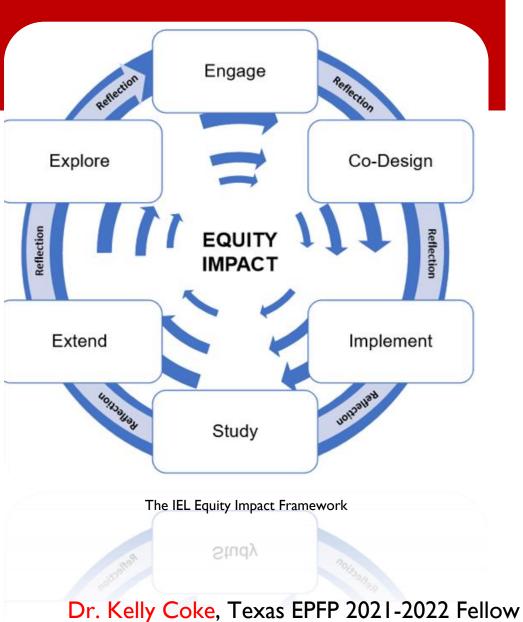
Publishing My Policy Project

Texas Transfer Policy

Education Policy Fellowship Program

- Understanding the Barriers Of Rural Transfer Students
- Deciding the journal publish in (engage)
- Determine Publish Team (co-design)
- Determine a time to write, meet, revise, repeat. (Implement)
- Overwhelmed at times, but tried to stay on plan. (study)
- Hope to continue service and research with Texas Transfer Policy. Transfer Nation Board Member and National Transfer Week.





Overview of Study

- The research literature is replete with the experiences of urban-based students in transferring from community colleges to universities.
- Despite the rapid growth of rural areas in serving non-traditional learners, the experiences of their rural students remain understudied.
- In this manuscript, we sampled 15 diverse and rurally located (Texas) community college to university transfer students by phenomenologically exploring their experiences (using capital transfer capital and transfer shock as frameworks) during the transfer process.
- We found rural students reported a need for greater access to <u>remote-based infrastructure</u> and <u>minoritized groups</u> (racial, gender) experienced unique barriers during their transfer process experience.
- This research extends current knowledge the experiences of rural students during the transfer process such that colleges and universities can redress their needs and mitigate specific barriers to rural students' successful transfers.

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Product: "Perceived Barriers to Transfer that Rural Community College Students Experience when Transitioning to a Regional University" by Coke, Hite and Harper.

What I have learned in this process is/was:

- 1. Publishing can be done. Start with the experts.
- 2. Don't be afraid to ask for help.
- 3. We need those working with the issues leading the policy and running for office.

Next Steps in my Policy Leadership Journey:

- I hope to serve move career wise in either policy that works with community college policy or in community leadership
- I will look for ways to provide input so I may be a Transfer Champion.

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