



**TRANSITIONS ACADEMY**  
Illinois Community College Board  
Career and Technical Education and Adult Education and Literacy

## **FY24 Transitions Academy Resources**

The Transitions Academy is designed to assist programs and their partnerships in developing, strengthening, and updating Bridge and ICAPS (Integrated Career and Academic Preparation System) programs by increasing awareness of the expanding partnership between Adult Education and Career and Technical Education as it relates to the IET/ICAPS models, Illinois Bridge programs, and Illinois Programs of Study. The Transitions Academy commences with a convening each fall and **persists throughout the year** with offerings such as virtual learning communities, mentoring, professional learning opportunities, and communication.

### **ICAPS Manual**

Check out the updated [ICAPS Manual](#) for all your ICAPS program questions! Please note some key changes in the following:

- Definition of completion for ICAPS added
- Procedures for marking ICAPS students in DAIS and including alternative funding sources such as IBT


### **Learning Communities**

Following the Transitions Academy Fall Convening, the Bridge and ICAPS Learning Communities will commence for the remainder of FY23. We will continue our previous schedule as follows:

- ICAPS Learning Communities will take place on the first or second Thursday of each month, beginning January 11, 2024. Please register [here](#). All the dates for each FY24 ICAPS VLC are in the Zoom registration, and once you register, you will be registered for all the meetings that use the same link.

- Bridge Learning Communities will take place on the second or third Thursday of each month, beginning January 18, 2024. Please register [here](#). All the dates for each FY24 Bridge VLC are in the Zoom registration, and once you register, you will be registered for all the meetings that use the same link.

### **ICAPS Website**

 Make sure to bookmark the updated [ICAPS website](#)! This site provides basic information about the history of ICAPS in Illinois, programs across the state providing ICAPS, and a plethora of resources. Updates include the addition of sample ICAPS submissions, videos, professional development links, and more!


### **ICAPS Office Hours**

Angela Gerberding from ICCB, the Southern Illinois Professional Development Center, and the Illinois Center for Professional Specialized Support will continue to hold office hours for ICAPS program development questions, issues or concerns. We meet on the last Monday of each month from 2:00-3:00 pm. Join us with questions or to drop in and hear what is happening in the world of ICAPS! For specific dates and to register click [here](#).

### **Mentors**

If you are interested in volunteering to become a mentor for Bridge or ICAPS or would like to request a mentor, email Sarah Goldammer [sgoldam@siue.edu](mailto:sgoldam@siue.edu) or Tara Schwab [tarschw@siue.edu](mailto:tarschw@siue.edu).

### **New Resources**

Visit the [Excellence in Adult Education Website](#) for information on various  Professional Development Opportunities including a number of Pathways trainings. The Transitions and Career Pathways have been recently updated, and a new Data Pathway has been added. Make sure to check out the [Lesson Bank](#) here as well. It has lesson plans that have been created with Universal Design for Learning, our Adult Education Standards, and Illinois Essential Employability skills.



Also new on iLearn are the Data Pathway training materials and the Adult Education Administrator Toolkit.

### **Bridge and ICAPS Jot forms - Applications for New Offerings**

To streamline the application process, the Illinois Community College Board **continues to update** and utilize Jotforms.

Click [here](#) for the Bridge Jotform.

Click [here](#) for the ICAPS Jotform.

### **IET Design Camp Toolkit**

Members of IL Adult Education are participating in the IET Design Camp that is supported by the U.S. Department of Education. Click [here](#) to access the IET Design Camp Toolkit that was provided as part of this opportunity.

### **ICAPS Planning Template**

Click [here](#) to access the Illinois ICAPS planning template. This document is a checklist to move you through the development of your ICAPS.

### **Transitions Newsletter**

Check out the latest in Illinois Adult Education Transitions! SIPDC publishes a thrice yearly Transitions Newsletter. Click [here](#) for the latest editions!

### **Workforce Webinars through the [Illinois Center for Specialized Professional Support](#)**

ICSPS is proud to assist the WIOA core partners in facilitating the WIOA professional development team meetings. The WIOA professional development team includes representatives from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the Illinois Community College Board, the Illinois Department of Human Services, the Illinois Department of Employment Security, Northern Illinois University: Center for Governmental Studies, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville – Southern Illinois Professional Development Center, and Illinois State University: Illinois Center for Specialized Professional Support.

The team has hosted several events and produced numerous webinars to assist one-stop operators and WIOA administrators.

Please click [here](#) to sign up for newsletters from the WIOA Professional Development Committee. This will include upcoming Workforce Wednesday Webinar information and registration and much more!



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