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NuPaths to partner with Clark University’s Tech Quest Apprenticeship initiative to expand training opportunities for IT and IT-related careers

April 6, 2022, Harrisburg, PA – Today, President Andy Petroski announced that [NuPaths](#) will partner with Tech Quest Apprenticeship, a national initiative led by Clark University’s [School of Professional Studies](#), as a pre-apprenticeship program for training opportunities in information technology and related occupations.

Tech Quest Apprenticeship is a U.S. Department of Labor-funded initiative led by [Clark University](#), [Public Consulting Group](#) (PCG), and a national consortium of workforce development boards and training partners that will provide 4,000 pre-apprenticeships and 1,000 IT and IT-related apprenticeships to unemployed, underemployed, and incumbent workers over the next four years. The program matches eligible workers with employers for on-the-job and academic training, which helps them gain employment as they improve their skills and move up the career ladder. Nationally, a minimum of five new technology-focused apprenticeship programs are being established to help expand IT-related apprenticeships into new service areas. These programs include traditional and emerging high-demand IT-related occupations.

“NuPaths is pleased to join the Tech Quest Consortium and participate in the initiatives to expand apprenticeships in IT,” says Petroski. “Here in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and across the country, these industries are growing exponentially, and local employers

need qualified candidates for positions in science and technology, business creation, project management, and economic development.”

Dug Jones, Tech Quest Apprenticeship program director, says, “Apprenticeships are the perfect vehicle, and NuPaths is the perfect partner, to maximize this opportunity to help people develop their careers in IT and IT-related professions.”

Background:

[Clark University](#) was awarded a \$12 million apprenticeship grant from the [Department of Labor, Employment, and Training Administration](#) to provide business technology and IT training nationwide to people struggling with unemployment and underemployment, and to those seeking to master relevant technology skills in an evolving workplace. The “Scaling Apprenticeships Through Sector-Based Strategies” grant proposal was written in close partnership with Boston-based Public Consulting Group, Inc. (PCG), a national firm in management consulting and operations improvement. The grant will be implemented through various consortia of higher education institutions, technology industry partners, and workforce boards across the nation. The Tech Quest Apprenticeship Expansion Consortium has been developed to promote and implement the apprenticeships.

About NuPaths: NuPaths is an IT and technology workforce development training provider and a registered pre-apprenticeship provider co-founded by Harrisburg University of Science and Technology. NuPaths offers 26-week training pathways in seven different programs in Harrisburg and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, or online. Students can earn up to six industry certifications and up to nine college credits in NuPaths’ programs. Harrisburg University, which offers innovative academic and research programs in science and technology that respond to local and global needs, fosters a diverse community of learners, provides access and support to students who want to pursue a career in science and technology, and supports business creation and economic development.

About Clark University: Founded in 1887 in Worcester, Massachusetts, Clark University is a liberal arts-based research university addressing natural, social, and human imperatives from local to global scales. Nationally renowned as a college that changes lives, Clark is a transformative force in higher education, established within a diverse and welcoming community. Clark puts education into action by combining a robust liberal arts curriculum with life-changing world and workplace experiences. Clark’s faculty and students work across boundaries to develop solutions to complex challenges in the natural sciences, psychology, geography, management, urban education, Holocaust and genocide studies, environmental studies, and international

development and social change. The Clark educational experience embodies the University's motto: Challenge Convention. Change Our World.

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