

2017-2018 Unit Level Annual Review
The ECU/NC State Collaborative at the Gateway Technology Center (TCGTC)

1. TCGTC served 8,295 people in 47 different programs fiscal year 2017-18. Services reflect higher education classes, professional and doctoral degree programs, face to face non-degree professional and workforce development outreach, face to face CEU credit programs, K-12 youth enrichment developmental classes and summer camps from North Carolina State University, East Carolina University, and Elizabeth City State University.
2. Since inception of The Collaborative in 2006, a total of 209 students have graduated from university degree programs offered face to face in Rocky Mount through June 2018. There are an additional 38 students currently enrolled in the Master of Social Work and Master of Public Administration degree programs that will graduate over the next three years. Staff continue to provide a valuable add-on service of exam proctoring. 246 exams were proctored to distance education students from all of eastern North Carolina.
3. K-12 youth enrichment programs continue to be another major focus. TCGTC delivered twenty two innovative enrichment programs to 538 area youth through the year. Programs introduced students to robotics coding principles through the use of LEGO-themed offerings using EV3 Mindstorm robots and WeDo 2.0 kits. Other STEM initiatives exposed students to the emerging field of drones. The College of Veterinary Medicine introduced campers, many for the first time, to pig heart dissections and other animal related fields of study.
4. A new collaboration with Brick Scholars, a LEGO initiative, resulted in six new K-12 offerings. A collaboration with NC State's Shelton Leadership Center, NC Wesleyan College, the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club produced a program for area high schoolers called Youth Leadership Rocky Mount. The keynote speaker was Michael Goodman, Senior Vice President of Capitol Broadcasting. Participant comments included, "A great experience," "I got out of my comfort zone but the experience was great," and "I really learned a lot of information that I will apply to real life."