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## Colleges of Distinction Creates Groundbreaking Abound Program For Adult Education

Abound goes beyond traditional rankings, popularity surveys for college selection

AUSTIN, TEXAS – Colleges of Distinction announces the release of its Abound program for adult degree programs. Abound is a unique, thoroughly researched resource for those who want a personalized approach to the college application and selection process not found in a typical college guidebook.

Abound gives prospective students the resources to guide them through choosing a school, applying, and completing a degree that fits personal needs and goals. It will feature colleges and universities in four separate areas: Finish College (Adult Undergrad), Grad School, Nursing, and MBA.

"Abound's leadership, understanding, and deep support of the adult market is refreshing and needed. They're paving the way for evaluating institutions," said Justin Roy, dean of admissions, Georgian Court University (GCU), Lakewood, NJ. GCU is a member of Abound: Finish College.

Abound is the latest resource from Colleges of Distinction, a college guidance system started 17 years ago to help undergraduates find the best school for student engagement, excellent teaching, and a vibrant college community that produces successful student outcomes. As the U.S. student population shifts to ages 24 and older, Colleges of Distinction saw a need for a unique resource for adult education and created Abound.

"Abound helps the growing population of adult students find the best fit for their personal and educational needs," said Chief Operating Officer Tyson Schritter. "Our colleges are vetted for the highest quality programs that are not one-size-fits-all."

Each college is subject to a rigorous research process before it is included in Abound, he said. This includes accreditation, transparency in affordability, availability of campus resources, flexible scheduling, academic integrity, and more.

"If you are wondering what an adult undergraduate program is like, what type of educational options are available to you, how to make it work with your budget and time, Abound can help," said Schritter. "We are here to help students navigate this process and be aware of all opportunities available to each person."

## **About Abound**

Abound is a college guidance system for degree-seeking adults. Abound helps students find the best place to earn an undergraduate degree, graduate degree, nursing degree, or MBA. The colleges included are nationally recognized for program excellence, with courses available on campus, online or both. For more information visit <u>www.abound.college</u>.

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