



Internships and Marketable Skills Panel Discussion

Facilitator:

- **Linda Battles**, Deputy Commissioner for Agency Operations and Communications/COO, THECB

Panelists:

- **Aaron Demerson**, Commissioner Representing Employers, Texas Workforce Commission
- **Carlena "CJ" Harris**, Manager of Talent Acquisition and Organizational Development, Luminex Corporation, and Past Director for Employers on the NACE Board of Directors
- **Jennifer Kirby**, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Work Lead, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and Former Mickey Leland Environmental Internship Recipient



Internship Toolkit for employers What is included?

60x30TX & INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

A toolkit for integrating the goals and targets of 60x30TX into employer internship programs

- ✓ Overview of **60x30TX** and how employers can contribute to the goals of the plan
- ✓ Step-by-step process for designing new and existing internship programs to support **60x30TX goals**:
 - Integrating **marketable skills** to prepare students for the workforce
 - Offering **paid** internships to minimize **student loan debt**

