

**Collaborating to Implement a Successful Specialized Certification
Links, Contact Information, Questions, and Survey
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[UC San Diego Extension List of Programs and Certificate Programs](#)

Presentation Video Links:

- [Find out how you can become a Career Advisor](#)
- [Income Share Agreements: A Smart Alternative to Student Loans](#)

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Questions & Answers Asked by Attendees

Q: What is the average cost of training?

A: The average cost of our ISA's currently is \$6,500. For a typical UCSD X certificate ~\$4500. On average, courses are approximately \$500 each.

Q: Which departments/entity within an Extension or UC system would you recommend a workforce board start with to being talking about implementing a certification program?

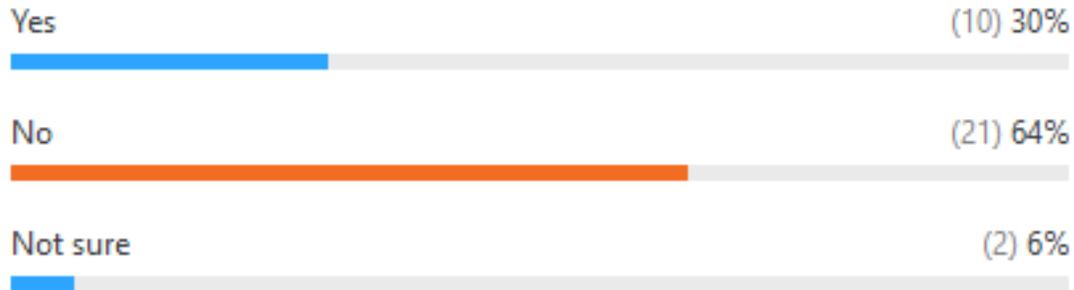
A: UC San Diego is open to partnering and working with other Local Workforce Development Boards and Regional Planning Units. Extensions are set up differently in comparison to the Community College system. Extensions do not have a centralize workforce department like the community college systems do. The community college workforce department can help with addressing workforce needs. It is recommended that to identify the right person, it is best to first determine the problem you want to address with the education partner. Usually, once the problem is identified, it is will be easier to dwindle down the specific department you should reach out too.

Q: Did you say that you are not utilizing Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act federal funds to support this project and that you are using philanthropic funds?

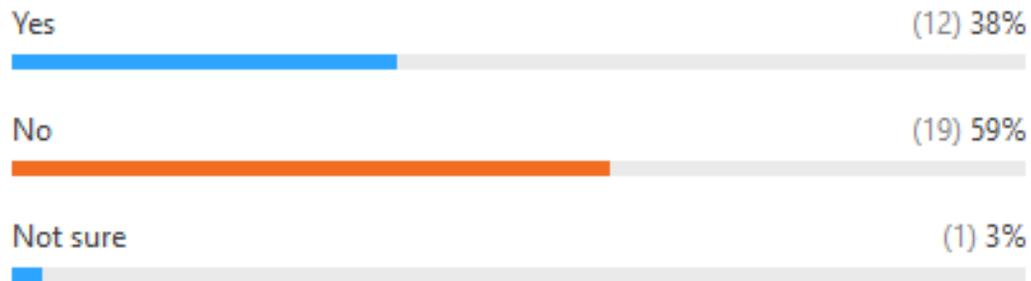
A: Yes, we wanted the certificate program to be as philanthropic as possible because the funding is more flexible and did not have timelines associated. \$3.5 million was raised and used as unrestrictive funding that provided flexibility when implementing the certification programs. We are investigating the opportunity to use WIOA funds to scale the Income Sharing Agreements so there is a diverse capital stack.

Polling Questions

1. Have you participated in a certification program before?



1. Have you collaborated with a partner and/or university to launch a certification program?



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