



Bio – Matt Grattan

Sr. Director, Workforce Innovation

Center for Economic Growth (CEG)

Matt Grattan brings a uniquely varied perspective on workforce and economic development with over three decades of experience across a mix of public and private organizations. A proven program manager and leader in the workforce development field, he has secured over \$30M in direct grant funding projects at the state and national level and helped to support broader industry or consortia proposals that have secured an additional \$125M.

Currently as the Sr. Director of Workforce Innovation at the Center for Economic Growth (CEG) he is leading the oversight of various workforce development projects from registered apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs to educational and industry engagement for the Capital Region's One Network for Regional Advanced Manufacturing Partnerships (ON-RAMP) training facility project. Prior to joining CEG, Mr. Grattan spent 3.5 years as the Director of Community & Workforce Development for Plug Power, a global leader in the development of hydrogen and fuel cell technologies where he developed a global company strategy for workforce and community development.

This private industry experience followed a 30-year career in New York State government where he held various positions within the NYS Department of Labor and leadership positions at two State University of New York (SUNY) institutions. His higher education leadership was capped by leading the proposal development and implementation of the largest grant awards in the history of Schenectady County Community College as Executive Director of Workforce Development. Additionally, as the Director of Community and Economic Development at the University at Albany, he led the comprehensive 3-year self-study program resulting in the University's recognition for the Innovation and Economic Prosperity (IEP) designation through the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU).

A passionate advocate for the provision of skills-based programs and credentials to individuals from diverse and inclusive backgrounds, Matt is a product of the community college system where he obtained his A.A.S. degree from Hudson Valley Community College followed by a B.S. in Business Administration from the College of St. Rose.