NC3T'S PATHWAYS SYSTEM FRAMEWORK™
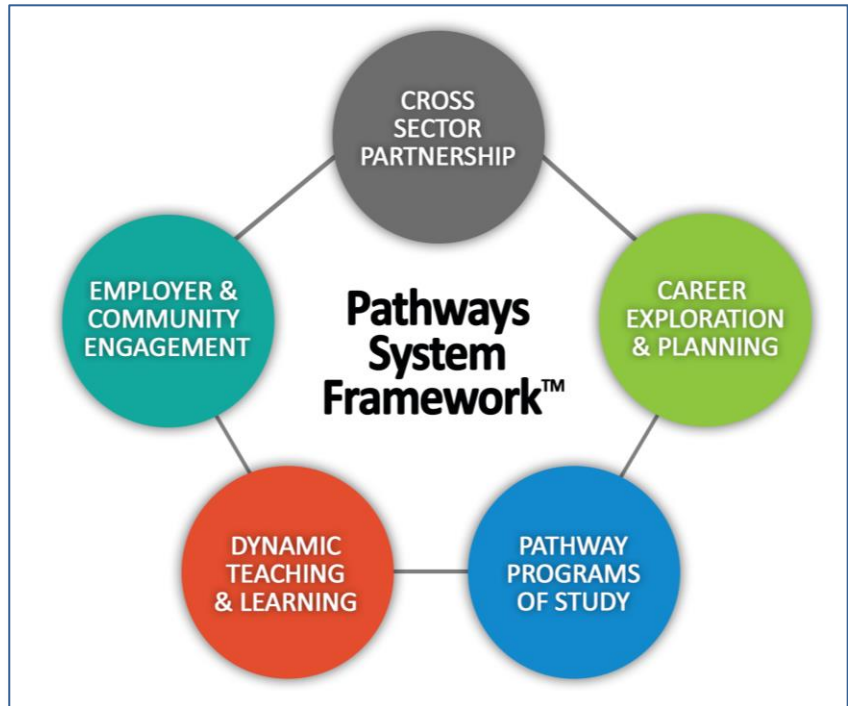
NC3T has developed a research-based **Pathways System Framework™** that provides the foundation for all planning and implementation work. The framework focuses on five broad areas:

Cross-Sector Partnerships, creating sustained collaboration among multiple stakeholders who work together to build a local pathways system

Well-organized **Career Exploration and Planning** opportunities, helping learners make informed choices about careers and related education and training

Multiple **Pathway Programs of Study** at the secondary, postsecondary, and adult education levels, aligning with learner interests and workforce demands

Dynamic Teaching and Learning, engaging learners in rigorous and active learning using research-proven instructional practices

Employer and Community Engagement, offering learners work-and-learn experiences, employer-mentor relationships, and support as they complete a program of study and transition into employment

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NC3T developed the *Pathways Innovation Network* (PIN) model to provide systematic career pathways support for schools, postsecondary education, workforce providers, and states. NC3T also offers expertise in career and technical education, STEM education, and employer engagement.