

Emory University was named a co-recipient of the inaugural Doug Hooker Award for Workforce Equity by Atlanta CareerRise, a regional workforce development intermediary. Ann Cramer, Senior Consultant at Coxe Curry & Associates and a CareerRise board member presented the award at the organization's Workforce Excellence Summit held on May 19 at the Georgia Aquarium.

The award recognizes the contributions of the Systems Change for Economic Mobility project, a collaborative effort of the United Way of Greater Atlanta/Atlanta CareerRise, Metro Atlanta WorkSource Georgia (the five local workforce boards serving the greater Atlanta region), the Atlanta Regional Commission, and Emory University. Endurance Project Management kept all the partners on task and focused over the three-year project, which was supported by the Ballmer Group and the National Fund for Workforce Development.

Emory professor of political science, Michael Rich, and Moshe Haspel, adjunct professor of political science, were the lead partners for the project's regional data analysis, planning, and evaluation pertaining to the assessment of employment and training outcomes and the extent to which the region's workforce outcomes narrowed gender and racial disparities regarding employment, employment retention, and earnings for low-income adult job seekers and incumbent workers.

