AACC: American Association of Community Colleges
ABIG: Alternative Break Interest Group
Accuplacer: A College Board product providing computer-adaptive testing for College placement in Reading, Mathematics, English, Writing, and English proficiency for non-native speakers
ACCT: Association of Community College Trustees
ACT: American College Testing and provides college entrance testing for Mathematics, Science & Reasoning, Reading, English and, with a recently introduced test, Writing
AFIT: Association for Innovation and Transformation (formerly known as CQIN)
AQIP: Academic Quality Improvement Project (former Accreditation Pathway)
Asset: An ACT product to assess reading, mathematics and English skills. This is paper-pencil.
ATD: Achieving the Dream
BCH: Billing Contact Hours
BIF: Business Innovation Factory
BSC: Balanced Scorecard
CAPSEE: Center for Analysis on Postsecondary Education and Employment
CBE: Competency Based Education
CC: Community College
CCCSE: Center for Community College Student Engagement
CFC: Customer Focus Committee
CGI: Center for Global Initiatives
CLEG: Council for Labor and Economic Growth. This is the State’s Workforce Investment Board. Dr. Phelan has been appointed to this board by the Governor.
Compass: An ACT product providing computer-adaptive testing for college placement in Reading, Mathematics, English, Writing, and English proficiency for non-native speakers
CSCC: Council for the Study of Community Colleges
CSRDE: Consortium for Student Retention Data Exchange
CQIN: Continuous Quality Improvement Network (now called AFIT)
Exploits is an attack on a computer system, especially one that takes advantage of a particular vulnerability the system offers to intruders. Used as a verb, exploit refers to the act of successfully making such an attack.

Explore: An ACT product for 9th 10th graders to assist with planning high school courses, prepare for ACTs, and assist with career choices

FYS: Freshman Year Seminar

FSA: Financial Student Aid

HERDI: Higher Education Research & Development Institute

HLC: Higher Learning Commission

IPEDS: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)

JC: Jackson College

JPEC: Jackson Preparatory and Early College

LC: Leadership Council

LOEP: Test of English as a Foreign Language, a product of ETS (Educational Testing Service), used as a standard for International Students to be issued an education Visa.

Malware: Any program or file that is harmful to a computer user. Malware includes computer viruses, worms, Trojan horses and spyware.

MCCA: Michigan Community College Association

MCCNET: Michigan Community College NETwork

MCSS: Michigan Center for Student Success

MCO: Michigan Colleges Online

MDOC: Michigan Department of Corrections

MNJTP: Michigan New Jobs Training Program

MTC: Make the Connect initiative to boost JC customer satisfaction, improving student engagement and success.

MTN: Michigan Transfer Network

NCCBP: This is a project involving the voluntary participation of Community colleges to share data for comparisons. Currently 188 community colleges participate.

Nelson-Denny: Tests grade level placement for Reading
NJCAA: National Junior College Athletic Association

No Zebras: A presentation that uses videos and conversation to address sexual aggression and bystander intervention. Between short video vignettes, peer educators speak with the audience addressing behaviors, reinforcing laws and policies, while discussing the actions that could be used to intercede.

PCS: Prima Civitas Foundation

PDCA: Plan-Do-Check-Act

PLAN: An ACT product for 10th graders to prepare for the ACT.

PROE: Program Review of Occupational Education

Ransomware: A type of malware that prevents or limits users from accessing their system, either by locking the system's screen or by locking the users' files unless a ransom is paid.

SAT: This is the College Boards and the major competitor of ACT for college-entrance testing with Critical Reading, Mathematics as the reasoning tests plus 5 subject areas: English, History, Mathematics, Science, and Languages. Typically, we receive Critical Reading, Mathematics and Writing scores. SAT has stood for Scholastic Aptitude Test and Scholastic Assessment Test

SCMW!: South Central Michigan Works Office

SEP: Student Educational Plan

SI: Supplemental Instruction

SPC: Strategic Planning Council

SSI: Student Satisfaction Inventory

TABE: Test of Adult Basic Education, used extensively by the Michigan Works! System and in adult education programs. TABE determines grade-level equivalences in Reading, Mathematics, Language Skills and Spelling

TCS²: Total Commitment to Student Success

TOEFL: This is the Test of English as a Foreign Language, a product of ETS (Educational Testing Service), used as a standard for International Students to be issued an education Visa.

VFA: Voluntary Framework of Accountability

WorkKeys: This is an ACT product to measure workforce readiness in foundational skills (reading for information, applied mathematics, business writing, writing, locating information, teamwork, observation, listening, and applied technology.) and in personal skills (performance, talent and fit).
Zero-day threats: A threat that exploits an unknown computer security vulnerability. This means that there is no known security fix because developers are oblivious to the vulnerability or threat.