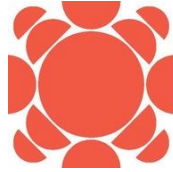


Face the Issues. Find the Solutions.



The New York Times Higher Ed Leaders Forum

This June, The New York Times will bring together the most influential leaders in higher education — presidents, provosts, chancellors and other leaders of colleges and universities — to address the most urgent issues on today's campuses.

In interviews with education experts, Times journalists will seek new solutions to the challenges posed by race and free-speech dilemmas, the STEM-humanities debate, sexual assault, the crisis in public funding of education, and much more. A unique feature of this influential event will be collaborative, peer-to-peer roundtables that allow participants to share ideas and perspectives, and to add their voices — namelessly, if they wish — to discussions of some of the most controversial topics in education.

The discussions at the Higher Ed Leaders Forum will be covered in a special section of The New York Times and on NYTimes.com.

Participation is limited to senior leaders of accredited colleges and universities. Click [here](#) to download the agenda from our 2015 conference.

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Agenda

MONDAY, JUN. 20, 2016

6:30 PM **Welcome**

6:35 PM **Mindset: Achieve**

Decades of research on how to create motivation and productivity in the worlds of business, education and sports have resulted in a simple idea.

7:15 PM **Audience Q&A**

7:30 PM **Cocktail reception**

TUESDAY, JUN. 21, 2016

8:00 AM **Networking breakfast**

8:45 AM **Welcome**

9:00 AM **A Vision for American Education**

U.S. Secretary of Education Dr. John B. King will offer his vision for the future of American higher education and the Department's plans for advancing equity, improving college affordability and increasing graduation rates.

9:30 AM **Diversity on Campus: Inclusion and Expression**

Campuses are struggling with helping students and faculty balance respectful discussions about race and diversity with open conversations on controversial topics. What is the best framework for hard — and potentially explosive — discussions? How can campuses best navigate inclusiveness and debate?

10:00 AM **Vision for Change**

10:05 AM **The Digital Future of Education**

The first generation of digitally native students is reshaping campus culture. What does this new world look like? What's coming? And how will technology continue to change students' and faculty expectations?

10:25 AM Vision for Change

10:30 AM Legal, Moral and Traumatic: Sexual Assault on Campus

Few issues are as charged — and difficult to navigate — as sexual assault on campus. Learn what colleges and universities are doing that works, and what missteps can be avoided.

10:55 AM Coffee Break

11:20 AM On the Agenda: The Next President's Education Policy

What should be at the top of the next president's Higher Ed agenda? And what do we expect from the various candidates seeking the White House?

11:45 AM Inspiring Progress: From High School to Community College . . . and More

Transitioning from high school to community college — and then, possibly, to a four-year degree-program — often asks students and faculty to balance far more than just classes. What works best at getting students into — and through — school in ways that prepare them to succeed?

12:10 PM Vision for Change

12:15 PM Lunch

1:30 PM The Emotional Challenges of Leadership Today

New challenges on campuses are creating unique dilemmas for today's leaders. The complexity of social change, generational forces, globalization and technology are creating new demands — and the emotional burdens of serving as a president, provost and chancellor are higher than ever before. How should leaders adapt?

1:55 PM Vision for change

2:00 PM Winning Strategies at HBCUs and MSIs

Historically Black Colleges and Minority Serving Institutions have been some of the most important institutions in building the nation's middle class. What is working — and what isn't — at HBCUs and MSIs?

2:25 PM Vision for Change

2:30 PM New Solutions: Collaborative working groups

3:45 PM

Coffee break

4:15 PM Beyond Affirmative Action

It is unclear how a Supreme Court ruling may change affirmative action. But some kind of shift, say observers, is likely. What happens on campus if affirmative action ends? What are the alternatives — and what are their consequences?

4:40 PM Plan to Thrive: Find a Job; Make a Difference

What should college students study to build a successful life? How do you teach, advise and equip students to thrive in this new world economy?

5:05 PM New Solutions: Highlights From the Working Groups

Location

The conference will take place in The Times Center anchoring The New York Times Building.

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