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Weekly Calendar

Monday, January 18, 2016
Federal Holiday – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 19, 2016
Postsecondary Persistence and Success
Subject: The New American Colleges & Universities (NAC&U) will host a briefing for hill staff, “Holistic Approaches to Postsecondary Persistence and Success: Integrating Liberal Education, Professional Studies, and Civic Engagement.” Students will discuss how integrating liberal arts, professional studies and civic engagement has improved the quality of their college experiences while preparing them for graduation and careers.
Participants: Richard Ekman, president, Council of Independent Colleges (moderator); Samantha Hubner, undergraduate student, Belmont University; Peter May, undergraduate student, University of Evansville; and Evan Melgren, undergraduate student, Drury University.
Time and Location: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; 2168 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: RSVP to rchatteji@wpllc.net and include “RSVP NAC&U Briefing” in the subject line.

Wednesday, January 20, 2016
Postsecondary Persistence and Success
Subject: The New American Colleges & Universities will host a briefing, “Holistic Approaches to Postsecondary Persistence and Success: Integrating Liberal Education, Professional Studies, and Civic Engagement.”
Participants: William Sullivan, author (moderator); Jack Ryan, undergraduate student, North Central College; Daniela Gutierrez de la Garza, undergraduate student, Wagner College; and Dylan Gray, undergraduate student, Manhattan College.

**Time and Location:** 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; National Press Club, First Amendment Lounge, 529 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC. A light breakfast will be served.

**Contact:** RSVP to mcravez@wpllc.net and include “RSVP NAC&U Briefing” in the subject line.

**Thursday, January 21, 2016**

**NSF Advisory Committee on International Science and Engineering**

**Subject:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) will hold a two-day meeting of the Advisory Committee for International Science and Engineering to provide advice and recommendations concerning support for research, education and related activities involving the U.S. science and engineering community working in a global context as well as strategic efforts to promote a more effective NSF role in international science and engineering (January 21-22.)

**Time and Location:** 8:00 a.m. – 5:15 p.m. (January 21); 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (January 22); NSF, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford II, Suite 1155, Arlington, VA.

**Contact:** RSVP required by January 19 to Diane Drew at ddrew@nsf.gov.

**Friday, January 22, 2016**

None.

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**Future Hearings and Events**

**Tuesday, January 26, 2016**

**Career Readiness**

**Subject:** Northwestern University will hold an event, “From College to Career: Entering with an Edge.”

**Participants:** Julie Margetta Morgan, senior officer, Strategic Data, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; Jamie Merisotis, president and CEO, Lumina Foundation; Andrew Kelly, resident scholar, American Enterprise Institute; and Susan Ambrose, professor of education and history, Northeastern University.

**Time and Location:** 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.; SVC 212-210.

**Contact:** Register here.

**NDD United Reception**

**Subject:** NDD United will hold a “Raise the Caps Reception” to celebrate collective achievements in securing sequestration relief for core government functions that benefit all Americans.

**Time and Location:** 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; 106 Dirksen SOB.

**Contact:** RSVP to crdfellow3@DC-CRD.com.

**Wednesday, January 27, 2016**

**Congressional Budget Office’s Budget and Economic Outlook**

**Subject:** The House Committee on the Budget will hold a hearing to examine the Congressional Budget Office’s (CBO) Budget and Economic Outlook.

**Witness:** Douglas W. Elmendorf, director, CBO.

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m.; 210 Cannon HOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.226.7270.

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**On The Floor This Week**

**Senate Floor:**

**H.R.4038** – American SAFE Act of 2015
House Floor:
The House is in recess until Monday, January 25.

Bills to Watch

EDUCATION SCIENCES REFORM ACT (ESRA)
S. 227  Sponsor: Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN)
Strengthening Education through Research Act (2/04/2015 Passed HELP Committee)

Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events

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