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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of WPLLC, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington, D.C. that are relevant to CUR’s interests. Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2015

Race Neutral Policies

Subject: The College Board’s Access & Diversity Collaborative and Education Counsel will host a webinar, "Introduction to the Playbook: A Guide to Assist Institutions of Higher Education in Evaluating Race- and Ethnicity-Neutral Policies in Support of their Mission-Related Diversity Goals."

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Contact: Register at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sPVMmLlcPOzKQ6TDA9bfS6Jp0c_4EHF2Cqi8GaUYv8s/viewform.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015

House Budget Hearing

Subject: The House Committee on the Budget will hold a hearing, “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.
**House Science Committee Business Meeting**

**Subject:** The House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology will hold a business meeting to discuss the adoption of committee rules and approval of an oversight plan.

**Time and Location:** 11:00 a.m.; 2318 Rayburn HOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries about the meeting, contact: 202.225.6371.

**House Subcommittee on Research and Technology Hearing**

**Subject:** The House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology’s Subcommittee on Research and Technology will hold a hearing, "The Expanding Cyber Threat."

**Witnesses:** Ms. Cheri McGuire, vice president, global government affairs & cybersecurity policy, Symantec Corporation; Dr. James Kurose, assistant director, computer and information science and engineering directorate, National Science Foundation; Dr. Charles Romine, director, information technology laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology; Dr. Eric Fischer, senior specialist in science and technology, Congressional Research Services; and Mr. Dean Garfield, president and CEO, Information Technology Industry Council.

**Time and Location:** 2:00 p.m.; 2318 Rayburn HOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries about the hearing, contact: 202.225.6371.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2015**

**The House Committee on Appropriations Organizational Meeting**

**Subject:** The House Committee on Appropriations will hold an organizational meeting.

**Time and Location:** 9:15 a.m.; 2359 Rayburn HOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries on the meeting, contact: 202.225.2771.

**Senate HELP Committee Holds Organizational Meeting and ESRA Markup**

**Subject:** The Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) will hold an organizational meeting to adopt the Committee rules and announce Subcommittee assignments for the 114th Congress as well as markup the Strengthening Education Through Research Act.

**Time and Location:** 9:30 a.m.; 430 Dirksen SOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries about the Executive Session, contact: 202.224.5375.

**Keynote Address by Representative Virginia Foxx**

**Subject:** Representative Virginia Foxx (R-NC) will give a keynote address about the House Education and the Workforce Committee’s plan for reauthorizing the Higher Education Act (HEA) in the 114th Congress, at the Coalition of Higher Education Assistance Organizations (COHEAO) conference.

**Participants:** Representative Virginia Foxx (R-NC), Chairwoman of the House Subcommittee on Higher Education and Lifelong Learning; and Donna Dewispelaere, Campus Partners.

**Time and Location:** 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; Ritz Carlton Pentagon City Hotel, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA.

**Contact:** RSVP to Hannah Allen at: hallen@wpllc.net.

**Student Outcome Data**

**Subject:** The Coalition of Higher Education Assistance Organizations (COHEAO) will host a policy discussion, “What Happens When They Graduate?—An Overview of Student Outcomes Data,” to discuss state-level data on student debt and graduate wages to define success in postsecondary education.

**Participants:** Mark Schneider, President, CollegeMeasures; and Cindy Schnick, NCC Business Services, Inc.

**Time and Location:** 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 a.m.; Ritz Carlton Pentagon City Hotel, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA.

**Contact:** RSVP to Hannah Allen at: hallen@wpllc.net.
Title IX
Subject: The National Coalition for Women & Girls in Education will host a webinar, “Title IX and Single-Sex Classes.”
Participants: Amanda K. Dallo, Title IX staff attorney, Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education; Erin Prangley, American Association of University Women (AAUW); Dr. Sue Klein, education equity director, Feminist Majority Foundation; Lara S. Kaufmann, senior counsel and director of education policy for at-risk students, National Women’s Law Center; and Galen Sherwin, senior staff attorney, ACLU Women’s Rights Project.
Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: https://aftevent.webex.com/mw0307l/mywebex/default.do?nomenu=true&siteurl=aftevent&service=6&rnd=0.6980193761686071&main_url=https%3A%2F%2Faftevent.webex.com%2Fec0606f%2Feventcenter%2Fevent%2FeventAction.do%3FtheAction%3Ddetail%26confViewID%3D1877998552%26%26EMK%3D4832534b00000000290fcd7f3be0baa05ce1067857b459fc135298425ccf57454ae815be3ead2850%26email%3Dquercus%2540aft.org%26encryptTicket%3D1a0d359f5c3fb51eb161655ed1b7b40a%26%26siteurl%3Daftevent.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2015
Non-Defense Discretionary Funding
Subject: NDD United will host an event, "Town Hall Meeting: All You Need to Know about Threats to Domestic Programs."
Participants: Robert Greenstein, president and founder, NDD United; and Joel Friedman, vice president for federal fiscal policy, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.
Time and Location: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.; 1201 16th Street, NW, Main Auditorium, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1EQKTciu6LFagBtl7P9uchH_pUQRy7kwXM239xuSJto/viewform.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2015
None.

On The Floor This Week
Senate Floor:
S. 1 – Keystone XL Pipeline Act

House Floor:
H.R. 351 – LNG Permitting Certainty and Transparency Act
H.R. 468 – Enhancing Services for Runaway and Homeless Victims for Youth Trafficking Act of 2015

Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events
U.S. House of Representatives 2013 Schedule:
U.S. Senate 2013 Schedule:  
http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/one_item_and_teasers/2013_schedule.htm


U.S. Senate Budget Committee: http://www.budget.senate.gov

U.S. House Budget Committee: http://www.house.gov/budget

Congressional Budget Office: http://www.cbo.gov

Federal legislative information: http://thomas.loc.gov

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