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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.

Weekly Calendar

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Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2015
Federal Holiday.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015
None.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2015

College and Career Pathways
Subject: The National Center for College and Career Transitions (NC3T) will host a webinar, “Key Components to Developing a Pathways System.”
Participants: Hans Meeder, former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, U.S. Department of Education.
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Contact: Register here.

Inequality and Education Research
Subject: The American Institutes for Research (AIR) will host an event, “Breakthroughs in Education and Social Mobility Research with Richard Murnane.”
Participants: Richard Murnane, economist, co-author, Restoring Opportunity: The Crisis of Inequality and the Challenge for American Education.

Time and Location: 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; 1000 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW, Washington, DC.

Contact: Register here.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015
None.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2015

Experiential Learning

Subject: The American Council on Education (ACE) will host an event, “Aligning Innovations to Promote Learning and Quality Credentials.”

Participants: Louis Soares, vice president, Center for Policy Research and Strategy, ACE; Christopher J. Nellum, senior policy research analyst, Center for Policy Research and Strategy, ACE; Mary Beth Lakin, director, College and University Partnerships, ACE; Deborah Seymour, AVP, Center for Education Attainment and Innovation, ACE; Deborah Everheart, director of solutions strategy, Blackboard; Sally Johnstone, vice president for academic advancement, Western Governors University; Charla Long, independent consultant; Mike Reilly, executive director, American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO); and Natasha Jankowski, associate director, Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.

Time and Location: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; One Dupont Circle, NW, Washington, DC.

Contact: Register here.

On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor: The Senate stands in recess for a district work period this week.

House Floor: The House stands in recess for a district work period this week. Votes are scheduled for February 24 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Bills to Watch

EDUCATION SCIENCES REFORM ACT (ESRA)

S. 227 Sponsor: Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN)
Strengthening Education through Research Act (02/04/2015 Passed HELP Committee and moved to the Senate Legislative Calendar)

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

U.S. House of Representatives 2015 Schedule:
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