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Weekly Calendar

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**MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015**

**Undergraduate STEM Education at Hispanic Serving Institutions**

**Subject:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) will host a webinar, “Stimulating Research in Undergraduate STEM Education at Two-Year Hispanic Serving Institutions.”

**Time:** 2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

**Contact:** [Register here](#).

**TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2015**

**EHR Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Subject:** The National Science Foundation’s (NSF) Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR) will hold a spring Advisory Committee meeting from May 19-20. The discussion topics will include EHR core research, EHR program poster session, new directions for broadening participation with INCLUDES, putting improvement science into STEM, and evolving successful STEM education indicators.

**Time and Location:** 8:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; NSF, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford I, Room 375, Arlington, VA.

**Contact:** To join the meeting remotely and to view the agenda, [go here](#).
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2015

Senate HELP Committee Hearing
Witnesses: Andrew P. Kelly, director, Center for Higher Education Reform, American Enterprise Institute; Robert S. Silberman, executive chairman, Strayer Education, Inc.; Jennifer Wang, policy director, Young Invincibles; and Dr. Douglas A. Webber, assistant professor, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 430 Dirksen SOB
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.5375.

Undergraduate STEM Education at Hispanic Serving Institutions
Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will host a webinar, “Stimulating Research in Undergraduate STEM Education at Two-Year Hispanic Serving Institutions.”
Time: 3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Contact: Register here.

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015

Innovations from a Global Perspective
Subject: New America will host an event, “Innovations in U.S. Education and Training from a Global Perspective.”
Participants: Byron Auguste, managing director, Opportunity@Work; Simon Field, project leader, Directorate for Education and Skills, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD); Todd Greene, vice president, Federal Reserve System of Atlanta; Mary Alice McCarthy, senior policy analyst, New America; and Holly Zanville, strategy director, Lumina Foundation.
Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; 1899 L Street, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register here.

Competency-Based Learning
Subject: The American Enterprise Institute (AEI) will hold an event, “Measuring Mastery, Not Time: Competency-Based Learning and the Future of Higher Education.”
Participants: John Ebersole, president, Excelsior College; Chip Franklin, senior principal, Parthenon-EY; Robert Kelchen, assistant professor, Seton Hall University; Katie L. McClarty, director, Pearson Center for College & Career Success; Carol Geary Schneider, president Association of American Colleges and Universities; and Andrew P. Kelly, resident scholar, AEI.
Time and Location: 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; 1150 17th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC.
Contact: Register here.

FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2015

Adult Basic Education
Subject: The Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP) will host a webinar, “WIOA Title II Proposed Regulation: New Partnerships for Adult Basic Education.”
Participants: Jennifer Foster, Illinois senior director, Adult Education, Family Literacy, and GED Testing; and Judy Mortrude, director, Alliance for Quality Career Pathways.
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Contact: Register here.

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H.R.1314 – Ensuring Tax Exempt Organizations the Right to Appeal

House Floor:
H.R.1806 – America COMPETES Reauthorization Act
H.R.880 – American Research and Competitiveness Act
H.R.874 – American Super Computing Leadership Act
H.R.1162 – Science Prize Competitions Act, as amended
H.R. 1119 – Research and Development Efficiency Act
H.R. 1156 – International Science and Technology Cooperation Act of 2015, as amended
H.R. 2353 – Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015
H.R. 2250 – Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2016
H.R. 2262 – SPACE Act of 2015

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)

AMERICA COMPETES ACT
H.R. 1806 Sponsor: Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX)
America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2015 (04/22/2015 Passed the Science, Space and Technology Committee)

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U.S. House Committee on Education and Labor
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