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This Week in Washington

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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of BPAG, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington, D.C. affecting CUR and its members. **Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.**

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Weekly Calendar

Key: E&S – Elementary & Secondary; **H** – Higher Education; **D** – Disability Policy

Monday, October 11, 2021

Federal Holiday - Indigenous Peoples' Day,

Webinar: State of Historically Black College and Universities (H)

Subject: Washington Post Live will hold a virtual discussion on the state of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

Participants: Robin Givhan, senior critic-at-large, *The Washington Post*, and Ruth Simmons, president, Prairie View A&M University.

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Agency Meeting: Considering NSF STEM Education Funding- Session 1 (E&S, H)

Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) Education and Human Resources Directorate will hold the first session of their virtual workshop, "Considering NSF STEM Education Funding." The first session will focus on how to navigate NSF in the proposal drafting process.

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Contact: More information [here](#).

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

Agency Meeting: Considering NSF STEM Education Funding- Session 2 (E&S, H)

Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) Education and Human Resources Directorate will hold the second session of their virtual workshop, "Considering NSF STEM Education Funding." The second session will focus on tips for successful partnerships.

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Contact: More information [here](#).

Thursday, October 14, 2021

Agency Meeting: Considering NSF STEM Education Funding- Session 3 (E&S, H)

Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) Education and Human Resources Directorate will hold the third and final session of their virtual workshop, "Considering NSF STEM Education Funding." The third session will focus on proposal creation and merit review process.

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Contact: More information [here](#).

Friday, October 15, 2021

Agency Meeting: Emerging Frontiers in Research and Innovation Program (H)

Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will host a webinar to discuss Emerging Frontiers in Research and Innovation program (EFRI) and its topics for FY2022 and FY2023.

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Contact: More information [here](#).

Future Hearings and Events

Thursday, October 21, 2021

Webinar: Closing the Skills Gap through Online Learning (E&S, H)

Subject: The Hunt Institute will host a webinar on "Closing Skills Gaps through Online Learning."

Participants: Jean-Claude Brizard, president and CEO, Digital Promise; Rebecca Dovi, director of education, CodeVA; Melody Schopp, director of education, SAS Institute; and Shayne Spaulding, senior fellow, Urban Institute.

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Contact: Register [here](#).

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In recess until Monday, October 18th

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