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Monday, May 21, 2018

Varying Degrees: How America Perceives Higher Education in 2018 (H)

Subject: New America will host an event to examine the Varying Degrees 2018: New America’s Second Annual Survey on Higher Education results, and discuss the implications of these findings for students, institutional leaders, and policymakers.

Participants: Kevin Carey, vice president of education policy and knowledge management, New America; Ernest Ezeugo, program associate, New America; Rute Assefa, undergraduate student, Washington College; Orkhan Patsiyev, apprentice, Siemens Charlotte; Ariel Ventura-Lazo, undergraduate student, George Mason University; Rachel Fishman, deputy director for higher education research, New America; Joe Garcia, president, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education; Jee Hang Lee, vice president for public policy and external relations, Association of Community College Trustees; and Tamara Hiler, deputy director of education, Third Way.

Time and Location: 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; New America, 740 15th Street, NW, Suite 900, Washington, D.C.

Contact: RSVP Here.

Webinar: Indicators for Monitoring Undergraduate STEM Education (E&S, H)

Subject: The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine will hold a webinar to discuss their new report, “Indicators for Monitoring Undergraduate STEM Education.”
Participants: Mark B. Rosenberg, committee chair, president, Florida International University; Gabriela Weaver, committee member, University of Massachusetts-Amherst; and Heidi Schweingruber, director, Board on Science Education.
Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Tuesday, May 22, 2018
America’s Opioid Epidemic: Youth Awareness & Prevention (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Hill will host a convening of lawmakers, educators, physicians and addiction experts for a conversation about the role prevention can play in curbing opioid addiction in teenagers.
Participants: Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH); Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV); Frances Jensen, chair, Neurology Department, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Rachel Levine, Secretary of Health and Physician General, PA; Clay Stamp, executive director, Maryland Opioid Operational Command Center; Admiral James “Sandy” Winnefeld Jr., co-founder and co-chair, S.A.F.E. Project US; Elizabeth Campbell, senior vice president and group general counsel, AmerisourceBergen; Tom Davidson, founder and CEO, EVERFI; Chester Davis Jr., president and CEO, Association for Accessible Medicines; and Daniel Miller, senior vice president of pharmacy and regulatory affairs, Rite Aid.
Time and Location: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; The Newseum, Knight Broadcast Studio, 555 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Hearing: House Education Committee with Secretary DeVos (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Education and Workforce Committee will hold a hearing on “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Education.”
Witness: Betsy DeVos, Secretary, U.S. Department of Education.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2175 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Live stream available Here.

FY2019: Markup of Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill (E&S, H)
Subject: The House Committee on Appropriations will hold a markup of the FY2019 Interior and Environment appropriations bill.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2118 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Live stream available Here.

Wednesday, May 23, 2018
FY2019: Consideration of Subcommittee 302(b)’s (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Committee on Appropriations will markup the “FY2019 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill and Report on 302(b) sub-allocations.”
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2118 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: Live stream available Here.

Prep for Next-Generation STEM Jobs: Partnerships for Higher Education and Industry (E&S, H)
Subject: The STEM Education Caucus and the STEM Education Coalition will hold a briefing to discuss how colleges and universities are working with industry to prepare students for the next generation STEM jobs.
Participants: Rep. Randy Hultgren (R-IL), Co-Chair, STEM Education Caucus (invited); Gardner Carrick, vice president of strategic initiatives, Manufacturing Institute; Kemi Jona, founding director, Lowell Institute School and associate dean for undergraduate programs, Northeastern University; Chris Lowery, senior vice president for workforce alignment, Ivy Tech Community College; and Andrea Cox, supply chain quality & compliance leader, GE Aviation.
FY2019: Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Hearing on the NASA Budget (E&S, H)
Subject: The Senate Appropriations Commerce, Justice, Science Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the FY2019 budget for the National Aeronautic Space Administration (NASA).
Witness: James Bridenstine, Administrator, NASA.
Time and Location: 2:30 p.m.; 192 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: Live stream available Here.

Thursday, May 24, 2018
Health Solutions to Women, Children, and Families Affected by Trauma and Abuse (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The National Health Collaborative on Violence and Abuse and Futures Without Violence will host an event to explore how health care systems and trauma-informed care efforts are currently helping victims and how these changes can reduce future health costs.
Participants: Jeanette Scheid, incoming chair, National Health Collaborative on Violence Abuse (Moderator); Lauren Baker, First Lady of Massachusetts; Sabrina Matoff-Stepp, director, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Health Resources and Services Administration’s Office of Women’s Health; Tiffany Flowers, Pathways Counseling Center; and Karen Clemmer, regional community facilitator, ACEs Connection.
Time and Location: 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.; 2044 Rayburn HOB.
Contact:RSVP Here.

Hearing: Joint Budget and Appropriations Reform Committee on Budget Resolutions (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Joint Budget and Appropriations Process Reform Committee will hold a hearing on “The Budget Resolution — Content, Timeliness, and Enforcement.”
Witnesses: Maya MacGuineas, president, Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget; James C. Capretta, resident fellow and chair, American Enterprise Institute; Bill Dauster, former Democratic Staff director and chief counsel, Senate Budget Committee; and Joseph White, professor, Case Western Reserve University's Department of Political Science and Center for Policy Studies.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; HVC 210, Capitol Visitors Center.
Contact: Live stream available Here.

FY2019: Senate Appropriations Markup of Energy & Water and Consideration of 302(b)'s (E&S, H)
Subject: The Senate Appropriations Committee will markup the FY2019 Energy & Water and Agriculture spending bills. The Committee will also consider the 302(b) allocations for appropriations subcommittees.
Time and Location: 10:30 a.m.; 106 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: Live stream available Here, NOTE: The markup webcast will be audio-only.

Friday, May 25, 2018
None.

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Tuesday, May 29, 2018
Report Release: Graduate STEM Education for the 21st Century (E&S, H)
Subject: The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine will hold an event to highlight the release of their new report, “Graduate STEM Education for the 21st Century.”
Participants: Alan Leshner, CEO Emeritus, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS); Mary Sue Coleman, president, Association of American Universities (AAU); Kenneth Gibbs Jr., program director, National Institute of General Medical Sciences; Suzanne Ortega, president, Council of Graduate Schools; Kate Stoll, senior policy advisor, MIT Washington; and Keith Yamamoto, vice chancellor for science
policy & strategy, vice dean for research, School of Medicine and professor of cellular & molecular pharmacology, University of California, San Francisco.

**Time and Location:** 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.; The National Academies, 500 5th Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

**Contact:** RSVP [HERE](#).

**Thursday, May 31, 2018**

**Symposium on College Completion (H)**

**Subject:** The American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and Third Way will hold a bipartisan research symposium on college completion.

**Participants:** James Bergeron, National Council of Higher Education Resources; Matt Chingos, Urban Institute; Kim Clark, Education Writers Association; Mesmin Destin, Northwestern University; Lanae Erickson Hatalsky, Third Way; Denise Forte, The Century Foundation; Frederick M. Hess, AEI; Bethany Little, Education Counsel; and Sarah Turner, University of Virginia.

**Time and Location:** 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; AEI Auditorium, 1789 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.

**Contact:** RSVP [HERE](#).

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**On The Floor This Week**

**Senate Floor:**
Consideration of various nominations
S.2372 – VA Choice Act.

**House Floor:**
S. 2155 – Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act
S. 204 – Trickett Wendler, Frank Mongiello, Jordan McLinn, and Matthew Bellina Right to Try Act

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**Bills to Watch**

**FY 2019 APPROPRIATIONS**

**H.R. X**  
**Sponsor:** Rep. John Culberson (R-TX)

**H.R. X**  
**Sponsor:** Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)
Interior and Environment Appropriations Act of FY 2019 (5/15/18 Passed by Subcommittee)

**HIGHER EDUCATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT**

**H.R. 4508**  
**Sponsor:** Representative Virginia Foxx (R-NC)
Promoting Real Opportunity, Success, and Prosperity through Education Reform (PROSPER) Act (12/13/17 Passed by House Education & Workforce Committee)

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