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For Congressional Staff, Policymakers, Advocates, Researchers & Press

Do Higher Ed Accountability Proposals Narrow Opportunity For Minority Students and Minority-Serving Institutions?

What New Research Tells Us

DATE: Tuesday, September 2, 2014 —— 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

LOCATION: U.S. Capitol Visitors Center, Congressional Auditorium & Atrium

BACKGROUND:
Students of color have not achieved equal opportunity for higher education and many of the institutions that serve them are struggling with economic and policy challenges. Some critics of the Obama Administration claim that recent accountability and financial aid policy changes would close the door to college for many deserving students. As these proposals are being discussed, we invite you to a lively forum presenting new and original empirical studies. These seven (7) research papers examine the issues with the goal of avoiding unintended negative consequences.

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Stella Flores, *Vanderbilt University: The Racial College Completion Gap in Texas: Who is responsible*

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Marybeth Gasman, University of Pennsylvania: *Minority Serving Institutions: A Data-Driven Student Landscape in the Outcomes-Based Funding Universe*

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Sylvia Hurtado, UCLA: *Metrics, Money, and Degree Attainment: Identifying Engines of Social Mobility*

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Nicholas Hillman, University of Wisconsin-Madison: *Differential Impacts of College Ratings: The Case of Education Deserts*

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Anne-Marie Nuñez, University of Texas-San Antonio: How the Shortcomings of a Postsecondary Ratings System Could Lead to Shortchanging HSIs and their Outcomes

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Respondents

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Event Summary: Gary Orfield

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