U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Announces Briefing on Effect of College Access, Persistence and Completion Rates on the Socio-Economic Mobility of Minorities

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will examine how access to and persistence through completion of higher education may have a disparate impact on the socioeconomic mobility of minorities. The Commission will also be examining in detail the barriers that minorities face in accessing higher education.

WHAT: Briefing on Effect of College Access, Persistence, and Completion Rates on the Socio-Economic Mobility of Minorities

WHEN: May 28, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET
and
May 29, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. ET

WHERE: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
1331 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1150
Washington, DC 20425 (Entrance on F Street NW)

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AGENDA:

DAY 1

Opening Remarks: 11:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Panel I: 11:30 a.m. —12:00 p.m. – Financial Funding Formula Expert
  • Dr. F. King Alexander, Louisiana State University

Lunch Break: 12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Panel II: 1:00 p.m.—2:45 p.m. – Federal Government Officials
  • Dan Weinberg, Ph.D., Census Bureau
  • Dr. John Gawalt, National Science Foundation
  • Dr. Tasha Inniss, National Science Foundation
  • Valeria Carranza, Congressional Hispanic Caucus

Break: 2:45 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.

Panel III: 3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m. – Socio-Economic Mobility and Family Structure I
  • Fabian T. Pfeffer, University of Michigan
  • Roger Clegg, Center for Equal Opportunity
  • Diana Elliott, Pew Trusts
  • Dr. William Flores, University of Houston-Downtown, The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
  • Deborah Santiago, Excelencia in Education

Panel IV: 4:30 p.m. —6:00 p.m. - Socio-Economic Mobility and Family Structure II
  • Kati Haycock, The Education Trust
  • Quyen Dinh, Southeast Asian Resource Action Center
  • Stephan Thernstrom, Harvard University
  • Leticia Bustillos, Ph.D, National Council of La Raza

DAY 2

Opening Remarks 9:00 a.m.—9:10 a.m.

Panel I: 9:10 a.m. —10:30 a.m. – Federal Government Officials
  • Professor Stella Flores, Vanderbilt University
  • Dr. Peggy Carr, US Department of Education
  • Dr. James T. Minor, US Department of Education

Panel II: 10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m. – University System Heads
  • Dr. Timothy P. White, The California State University
  • William E. Kirwan, Ph.D., University System of Maryland
  • Dean Scott Miller, University of Virginia
  • Dean Maurice Apprey, University of Virginia
• Vijay Pendakur, Cal State- Fullerton
• Dr. Darrick Hamilton, New School of Public Affairs

Lunch Break—12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.

Panel III: 1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m. – Scholars I
• Neal McCluskey, CATO Institute for Economic Freedom
• Ron Haskins, Brookings Institute
• Michele Siqueiros, The Campaign for College Opportunity
• Anne Neal, American Council of Trustees and Alumni

Break—2:30 p.m.—2:45 p.m.

Panel IV: 2:45 p.m. —4:15 p.m. – Scholars II
• Megan McClean, National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators
• Richard Vedder, Center for College Affordability and Productivity
• Elizabeth Baylor, Center for American Progress
• Victor Goode, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

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