

TENTATIVE AGENDA

41ST ANNUAL SFARN CONFERENCE

July 10-12, 2024 | University of Maryland - College Park
Adele H. Stamp Student Union | 3972 Campus Drive College Park, MD 20742

SESSION: DAY 1 - PRINCE GEORGE'S ROOM 1211 WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Reception

Meltdown of Higher Education Conversation

Tom Mortenson
The Pell Institute

SESSION: DAY 2 - ATRIUM ROOM 1107 THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024

8:30 am - 9:20 am | Check-in & Registration

Coffee / Light Breakfast

9:20 am - 9:25 am | Welcome

Terry Vaughan III
The Pell Institute

9:30 am - 11:00 am | Department of Education - Panel 1

Update on the Scheduling of NCES
Postsecondary Sample Surveys and Data
Releases

Sean Simone
U.S. Department of Education, National Center
for Education Statistics (NCES)

Modernizing IPEDS Data

Audrey Peek
U.S. Department of Education, National Center
for Education Statistics (NCES)

Enhancing Equity in Financial Aid: A Data-Driven
Approach to Reforming IPEDS Student Average Net
Price Calculation

John Ingram
Ingram Market Analytics

NEW CONFERENCE FORMAT

Each successful proposal submission will give a 20-minute presentation. There are no more than three 20-minute presentations each session, followed by 30 minutes of Q&A discussion with a panel featuring all presenters.



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SESSION: DAY 2 (cont.) - ATRIUM ROOM 1107

THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024

11:05 am - 12:35 pm | Financial Aid - Panel 2

Examining the impact of student loan debt and repayment on Black college graduates

Vincent Carales
University of Houston

Thomas Marshall
Intercultural Development Research Association

Investing in Success: Supporting Black Student Fathers in Postsecondary Education

India Heckstall
Center for Law and Social Policy

Is the struggle real? A look at teachers' student loan debt and repayment over time

Mihaela Henderson
RTI International

12:35 pm - 2:00 pm | Lunch

Enjoy your meal!

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm | Student Voices - Panel 3

Student Financial Insecurity: Racial, Ethnic, and Gender Disparities

Umair Tarbhai
Jobs for the Future

Jeff Webster
Trellis

Exploring the reach and impact of basic needs services at postsecondary institutions: Learnings from a multi-state evaluation in 2020-21 and 2021-22

Sam Riggs
Education Northwest

Michelle Hodara
Education Northwest

Ireri Rivas Mier Y Teran
ECMC Foundation

What Families Want – A Decade of Student Voice Research

Abby Miller
ASA Research, LLC

Charlotte Etier
NASFAA

Jill Desjean
NASFAA

3:35 pm - 4:35 pm | Data Trends, Tuition, & Funding - Panel 4

Data Trends in Tuition Discounting

Jacqueline Agustin
NACUBO

Estimating the Impact of the NYS Tuition Assistance Program on College Success and Educational Equity Among Low-Income Students

Bosede Cajuste
NYS Higher Education Services Corporation



SESSION: DAY 3 - ATRIUM ROOM 1107

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2024

9:00 am - 9:15 am | Welcome Back

Terry Vaughan III
The Pell Institute

9:15 am - 10:45 am | Financial Literacy & Advising - Panel 5

Has "Better FAFSA" been better or worse?
Assessing initial reactions from students,
parents, counselors, and financial aid
administrators

Alyssa Stefanese Yates
uAspire

Jonathan Lewis
uAspire

Financial Advising: Practices from the Field to
Promote Student Success and Educational Equity

Elise Newkirk-Kotfila
Advising Success Network | NASPA

Promoting Empowerment: Proven Tactics for
Sustainable Student Financial Wellness

David Gonzalez
Arbol

Jenna Bichler
SUNY Erie

James Nowak
Canisius University

10:50 am - 12:20 pm | Federal & State Conversations on College Affordability - Panel 6

Estimates of Pell Grant Eligibility for FAFSA
Non-filers

Chris Bennett
RTI International

Mihaela Henderson
RTI International

Affordability and Emerging Approaches to
State Funding for Public Colleges and
Universities: A Case Study of Illinois

Mike Abrahamson
Partnership for College Completion

The First Year of Pell Restoration: Data Needs and
Challenges to Implement and Assess Quality, Equity,
and Scale in Prison Education Programs

George Chochos
Vera Institute of Justice

Danielle Cox,
Maryland Department of Public Safety and
Correctional Services

12:20 pm - 1:20 pm | Lunch

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1:20 pm - 2:50 pm | Value of Education - Panel 7

The Affordability Equation: Trends in College Prices, Aid, Debt, and Payoff

Matea Pender
College Board

Jennifer Ma
College Board

Elevating Equitable Value: Investigating Economic Outcomes of Postsecondary Education

Lauren McLeese
Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP)

Kim Dancy
Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP)

Just out of Reach: How Student Financial Well-Being Impacts the Realization of Economic Returns on Postsecondary Education

Tanya Gardner
Trellis Strategies

2:55 pm - 4:25 pm | Student Voices - Panel 8

How College Athletics Programs Function as a Window to Financial Aid Access for Black Male Students

Christian Collins
Center for Law and Social Policy

Pre College Access and Financial Literacy

Oriel Straker

"Higher Together: The Impact of a College Degree for Young Parents"

Brittani Williams
Generation Hope

Jamie Williams
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