

Continuing and Professional Education

The Pipeline: Building Better Partnerships with Industry

Please join me in welcoming:

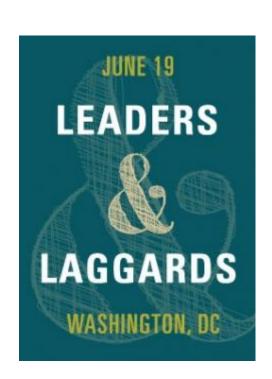
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Leaders & Laggards: A State-by-State Report Card on Public Postsecondary Education could spark new conversation around reform

State-by-state analysis of public four-year and sub-baccalaureate university systems in six areas:

- Access, Success, and Degree Production
- Cost-Effectiveness
- Meeting Labor Market Demand
- Transparency and Public Accountability
- Policy Environment
- Innovation



What are our responsibilities in this partnership? What are the responsibilities of industry to inform higher education of anticipated needs? And in what timeframe?



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- What is the range of our current practices in building feedback loops with industry and employers to inform our curriculum, program development, and assessment paradigms?
- What are the engagement barriers? Challenges? Opportunities?
- What is the role of four-year higher education in workforce development and preparation versus two-year higher education? In liberal arts education versus professional education? At the bachelor's level versus the master's level?
- How can higher education "take the wheel" in this conversation at the higher levels and avoid merely reacting?
- What communication tools/processes would assist in this partnership moving forward?

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Beware false dichotomies that stagnate partnership and shared vision

