

College Changes Everything Conference Resource Sharing Roundtable Discussions

Discussion Topic	Discussion Facilitator	Discussion Description
Dual Degree Program	Elaine Maimon, President, Governors State University	A discussion about community college/university partnerships beyond articulation. How can we work together to make sure that students complete associate degrees and then go on to achieving university bachelor's degrees.
Innovations in Education	Sheila Chalmers-Curring, Lt. Governor's Office Maria Capoccia, Lt. Governor's Office	Best practices from Illinois Community College Tour by Lt. Governor Simon.
P-20 Partnerships - Focus on the Business Community	Jeff Mays, President, Illinois Business Roundtable	A discussion about ways education entities and the business community can partner and collaborate to increase completion
Work with Your State Legislature: Effective Policy & Advocacy Efforts	State Representative Bob Pritchard, House Higher Education Committee Minority Spokesman	Talk with the convener of the General Assembly's Education Caucus about how to make an impact in your work with elected officials.
Illinois' Independent College Footprint	Dave Tretter, Executive Director, Federation of Independent Illinois Colleges & Universities	Capacity and the contributions of the independent colleges and universities toward reaching the President Obama's Goal.
College Access/Success with a President & Chancellor	Rita Cheng, Chancellor, Southern Illinois University Carbondale Jerry Weber, President, College of Lake County	A discussion about the role of a campus leader in addressing access and completion goals.
Creating Career Pathways	Tom DuBois, Director of new Initiatives, Instituto del Progreso Latino	Learn more about a national career pathways model right here in Illinois- Instituto del Progreso Latino's Carreras en Salud program to train bilingual healthcare providers.
Community Partnerships and College Early Alert Programs	Dr. Kim Armstrong, Asst. Dean of Student Support Services, Black Hawk College	Hear more about Black Hawk College's work with community organizations to complement their internal early alert system. Discuss how colleges and community organizations can better work together to help low-income students complete college.

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Why do kids drop out of college? What helps them stay in?	Marci Koblenz, President, Center for Companies That Care	A discussion about reasons students drop out of college and what are strategies to help them finish.
Strategies for Serving Foster Youth and Homeless Students	Beth Cunningham, Youth Services Attorney, Chicago Coalition for the Homeless Arlecia Brown, Education Advisor, Dept. of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Laura Gutierrez, Postsecondary Education Specialist, Dept. of Children and Family Services (DCFS)	Learn and share information about the resources available to and the needs of these students.
Improving Graduation Rates for Students of Color	Dr. Toyia Younger, Assistant Provost, Towson University	Chat with Dr. Younger about her research on graduation rates for Black students and learn more about how Towson University has increased graduation rates for Black and Latino students.
Serving Parenting Students	Nina Sanchez, Program Manager for Scholarship and Academics, Illinois Education Foundation	Learn more about the Illinois Education Foundation and their successes in helping low-income parents graduate from college.
Improving Remediation	Diana Glosser, Director of Perkins Programs, Lake Land College Steve Hinds, Adult Numeracy and Remedial Mathematics Specialist	Learn more about effective remediation practices in Illinois and New York. Discuss emerging research on math remediation and how to use bridge programs to move students through remedial reading more quickly.
Impact of New Gainful Employment Regulations	Laurie Anema, Financial Aid Director, Moraine Valley Community College Gabe Estill, Director of Academic Assessment, Moraine Valley Community College Raquel Duszynski, Asst. Director., Institutional Research & Planning, Moraine Valley Community College	Discuss how your campus is implementing these new federal regulations.

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Using Social Media Tools	John Heroff, Outreach Policy Specialist, Illinois Student Assistance Commission	Join this conversation on how your colleagues are using social media for college access efforts and with students on campus to help them reach completion.
FAFSA Completion Initiatives	Janet Ingargiola, Financial Aid Director, Danville Area Community College & Illinois College Goal Sunday Coordinator	Learn about resources available to help make your FAFSA completion event a hit and share what you've done successfully and what you wouldn't do again.
Postsecondary Opportunities for Students with Disabilities	Antoinette Taylor, Exceptional Needs Consultant	Students with disabilities preparing to transition from high school to college need a compass to help navigate the maze from high school to postsecondary education. This roundtable session will help provide applicable tools and resources for students, families, and counselors.
City Colleges of Chicago Reinvention	Tawakalitu Jogunosimi, Executive Director, Office of Strategy and Institutional Intelligence, City Colleges of Chicago	This informal conversation will allow participants to hear more about the process of reinvention and ask questions about where the City Colleges of Chicago are headed.
Diversity Initiatives for Students of Color	Dr. Donna Colondres, Professor/Counselor, Chaffey College Dr. Rita Ali, Executive Director of Diversity, Illinois Central College	Learn about two community college initiatives to improve outcomes for Black and Latino students. Share what you've learned in your own diversity initiative.