Higher Education News

What College Students Need Now - They’re more vulnerable than ever, physically and financially.

Will the Coronavirus Transform or Destroy Higher Education as We Know It? - New book from Georgetown U. expert is filled with great ideas, but even with reforms the poor may fall further behind.

The Moral Trade-Off of Endowment Spending - As the coronavirus has sent many universities into budget crises, should endowments become shelters from the storm?

A Bleak Picture for International Enrollment - Colleges prepare for big declines in new international students but survey shows ~90% of current students remain in the US.

10 Predictions for Higher Education’s Future

Is Testing Students for COVID Feasible? - Diagnostic testing is part of every college’s plan for reopening campus but obtaining & affording tests is still being worked out.

How to Address the Elephant in the Room: Academic Costs - Current spending isn’t sustainable. It’s time to address that fact, even if it’s uncomfortable.

Will Colleges Tap Large Endowments During Pandemic?

Colleges Lower the Boom on Retirement Plans - Colleges are increasingly suspending or trimming retirement plan contributions to battle budget deficits.

The Switch Semester - Several universities will open for in-person instruction this fall but will end on-campus instruction by Thanksgiving. Can that plan work?

Colleges Aren’t Reopening in the Fall - Don’t be misled by presidents who say otherwise.

Higher Ed Needs a Long-Term Plan for Virtual Learning

Are You a Victim of Zoom Fatigue? - Are you Zooming through your days in discomfort?
Complicated Picture for the Humanities - By some measures, the humanities are in decline. By others, their death has been overstated. A new report offers some data from before the pandemic.

What It’s Gonna Take - Colleges face a host of considerations, beyond testing for coronavirus infection, when it comes to reopening.

Colleges Worry They’ll Be Sued if They Reopen Campuses - Being shielded from lawsuits if students get sick would make colleges more likely to reopen campuses.

Report: Living Expenses, Not Tuition, Are the Problem - Financial aid has kept up with tuition increases but not living expenses

Little-Noticed Victims of the Higher Education Shutdowns: College Towns - With students dispersed by the pandemic, towns that depend on them are struggling.

Public Higher Ed Funding Still Has Not Recovered From 2008 Recession.

Regional News

Marlboro to Become New 2-Year Program - Amid the pandemic, charter school group plans to launch a new 2-year program out of the ashes of Marlboro College.

Pine Manor Merges Amid Pandemic - Financial struggles and pandemic-related challenges have pushed Pine Manor College into merger with nearby Boston College.

How 3 Small Colleges in Turnaround Mode are Adapting to the Pandemic - Leaders from Hampshire, Goddard and St John’s colleges share how the crisis is affecting efforts to revamp their operations.

Dartmouth News

International Travel Programs, First-Year Trips Canceled for Fall Term - Decision was based on continued concerns about risks to participants’ health and safety.

Dartmouth Acts to Support Upper Valley Neighbors - College has found a number of ways to help out during the pandemic.

Hanlon: Pandemic Calls for Financial Aid Response - A new presidential commission will champion strategies of access & affordability.


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