Higher Education News

College Endowments Boomed in Fiscal 2021 - Average endowment’s size increased by 35%, leaving 19% of institutions with endowments worth more than $1 billion. But experts say few students benefited from that growth.

Bowdoin College to Give All Students Free Laptops, Software - Plan provides every student with a 13-inch MacBook Pro, an iPad mini, & an Apple Pencil in an effort to create digital equity across campus.

The Overbuilt Campus - After a yearslong surge in construction, colleges retrench and retool.

Students File Legal Complaints for Force Divestment - Students have long called on colleges to divest their endowments from fossil fuels. Now organizers at MIT, Princeton, Stanford, Vanderbilt and Yale are deploying the law to end such investments.

Right Now, Your Best Employees Are Eyeing the Exits - To stay, they need better pay, reasonable hours, & an end to mission-based gaslighting.

New Carnegie Classification Will Reflect Social and Economic Mobility - New system will better reflect the diversity of higher education institutions & create incentives for colleges to fill equity gaps.

Tenure Without Teeth - The institution will survive but it might be unrecognizable.

Higher Ed’s Uncertain Financial Future - Overall outlook has improved, but there will be winners & losers.

Inflation Is Coming to College Campuses. Prepare to Pay More - Even as enrollment dips & some question the value of a degree, colleges say they must raise tuition.

5 State Higher Education Budget Proposals to Watch - Many governors are seeking heavy increases in spending on public colleges, enabled by federal coronavirus aid that helped cushion state finances.

From Campus to Congress, Colleges Urged to End Legacy Boost - America’s elite colleges are facing growing calls to end decades-old tradition of giving an admissions boost to children of alumni - a practice that critics say is rooted in racism & bestows an unfair advantage to students who need it least.

4 Emerging Trends You Should Know About - Keep an eye out for these developments percolating across higher ed.

Colleges Cope with IT Staff Flight in Wake of Pandemic - With IT skills in high demand across industries, many colleges are finding they can’t hold on to talent.
6 Ways to Improve Your Analytics Use - Higher ed still has challenges to navigate before the sector can fully leverage analytics. This brief summarizes these challenges and provides approaches to address them.

Diversity on the Rise Among College Presidents - Colleges hired a greater share of Black and other nonwhite leaders in the months after Black Lives Matter became a household term than they did before. Is the shift meaningful, and will it last?

States Rethink Restrictive NIL Laws - Some states that passed name, image and likeness laws are attempting to amend or repeal legislation that is now more restrictive than NCAA policies. Experts say states without NIL laws may have an advantage.

House Approves College Transparency Act - It calls for all colleges to release info on student enrollment, persistence, transfer & completion measures for all programs & degree levels.

For Students’ Extra Needs - Colleges start aid programs to cover extra costs students face, from winter coats to computers.

Yale to Make Landmark Investments in Engineering and Applied Science, FAS - Plan calls for 45 new faculty positions & modernization of supporting campus facilities to expand educational & research enterprises.

Brown Launches Online-only Master’s Degree in Public Health - An innovative new online version of Brown’s MPH program will expand access to a top public health education for learners around the world.

Penn Announces New Tuition-Free Program to Recruit, Train, and Deploy Nurse Practitioners to Underserved Communities Across the U.S. - $125M gift to transform nursing care.

Rice Announces Plans to Be Carbon Neutral By 2030

Dartmouth News

Hanlon Focusing on Five-Point Agenda - President Hanlon’s goal for his remaining time in office: finish what he started.

Lyme Road Undergraduate Apartment Project Put on Hold - Administrators will further study the plan after a faculty vote asked for a pause.

Review of Progress on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion - 3 initiatives have improved Dartmouth’s campus climate. What comes next?
F&A Professional Development Events

Career Path Discussion with Clement Powers
Tuesday, March 8, 1:00 – 2:00 - Zoom
We invite you to a Career Path Discussion with Clement Powers. Clem has been at Dartmouth nearly 11 years. However, Clem has had a fascinating career path before he made his way to Dartmouth. Join us to hear about Clem’s career path, his experience at Dartmouth, and hearing and wishing him well on his next great adventure!!

C3I Gender Bias Training: Part One (of a 2-Part Series)
Wednesday, March 16, 10:30 - 11:30 - Register
This introductory session will explore the C3I program, including obstacles to speaking out about bias, and an exploration of the most prevalent types of gender bias. Optional Pre-Work and Resources available within our F&A Staff Team within the Knowledge and Community Channel -> Diversity & Inclusion -> C3I Gender Bias Training

NOTE: When registering, use your NetID@dartmouth.edu in the email field, instead of your name@dartmouth.edu.

Racial Equity Discussion: From the Inside Out: Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging
Wednesday, March 23, 11:30 – 12:00 - Zoom
In this discussion on Wendy Knight Agard’s TedX: Katana: “From the Inside Out: Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging”. Such a great message with many takeaways. We hope you can join us!! Please watch prior to this session and join ready to discuss.

F&A Professional Development Mini Session: Notetaking Tips & Tricks
Thursday, March 31, 10:00 – 11:00 - Zoom
We’ve all been taking notes for years, so why is it so hard! This session will be a discussion on the tips and tricks of effective notetaking. Come ready to share your suggestions as well.

HR Professional Development Workshops

Refer to HR’s Course Catalog which lists numerous professional development and Wellness opportunities (courses are currently available through mid-June).