

Has the HEA turned into a four letter word?

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- AASCU
- HEA Reauthorization
- Legislation

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- **Emphasis: undergraduate education, teacher preparation, college access, student success, institutional leadership**
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 - **Only D.C. higher ed association with state policy focus in addition to federal focus**
- **Leadership/professional programming for CEOs, CAOs, Government Relations, Communications, International Affairs**



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GRC Funding Summit: EPA Support for Innovative Student Environmental Projects

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) [P3 - People, Prosperity and the Planet - Program](#) is a unique competition that is open to teams of college and university students working to design solutions for the 2020 GRC Funding Summit. (April 14-17). EPA Program Officer Richard Callan will share the latest information on the P3 program and provide tips for applicants.

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ED Opens Call for Peer Reviewers in Wide Range of Programs

One of the best ways for grant proposal writers hone their craft is to serve as a peer reviewer, which allows them the opportunity to see first-hand what separates a funded proposal from the others. The U.S. Department of Education is seeking peer reviewers for grant programs at the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE), Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), and Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS).

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USDA Announces New Innovation Agenda

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently announced a new agency-wide initiative, the Agriculture Innovation Agenda, designed to align USDA resources, programs, and research to increase U.S. agricultural productivity and efficiency by 2050.

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HEA Reauthorization

Background

- 12 years and counting (2008)
- Efforts on-going in House and Senate
- Chairman Lamar Alexander (R-TN) is retiring
- FUTURE Act impact – FAFSA Simplification
- Priorities:
 - Affordability
 - Accountability
 - MSIs

Fall enrollment changes of U.S. residents in degree-granting postsecondary institutions, by race/ethnicity: Selected years

Year	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian
2008	18,442	12,089	2,273	2,584	1,303
2019*	18,870	10,568	3,532	2,643	1,321
2027**	18,779	9,905	3,923	2,755	1,403
% Change 08-19	2.32%	-12.58%	55.39%	2.28%	1.38%
% Change 08-27	1.83%	-18.07%	72.59%	6.62%	7.67%

Figures in Millions * 2019 enrollment projections by NCES **2027 enrollment projections by NCES

A more challenging environment:

1. Change in profile of students going to college,
2. the amount of family income needed to pay the full cost of attendance,
3. the rising need for a postsecondary credential to compete in the U.S. job market.

The Higher Education Act (HEA)

- **College Affordability Act, H.R. 4674, passed the House Education and Labor Committee on a party-line vote on October 30th**
- **There were a small number of modifications to the draft unveiled in mid-October, most notably:**
 - Pell boosted by \$625 rather than \$500
 - Grad student eligibility for in-school subsidy restored
- **Chairman Scott has indicated his intention to have the bill on the floor by the end of this session, although the number of remaining legislative days and a full agenda may push this back to early next year**

AASCU Concerns


- **The bill has a long list of features that AASCU supports**
- **But it also includes significant items of concern for us:**
 - **America's College Promise (free CC) will disrupt the entire public sector**
 - **The bill's educator preparation provisions need significant overhaul to address the veritable crisis of teacher/educator shortages in the nation's P-12 system**
 - **A number of the bill's financing features—**
 - short-term Pell
 - grad Pell
 - inaction on rates, etc.**—are problematic and need further study and analysis to assess likely impact**
 - **Accreditation remains challenging**

Senate HEA


- Chairman Alexander & Ranking Member Murray.
 - Negotiations “continue”
- Not likely to be completed
- Continued expansion of Pell
 - \$100 increase = \$800 million
- No resolution on Title IX & live hearings
- Congressional calendar not helpful

HACU/HSI Priorities

- HERE Act
- Title II of the Higher Education Act
- Capital Financing Program for HSIs
 - provide low-cost capital to finance improvements to the infrastructure.
- Uses of endowment income for student aid



HISPANIC EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES & EMPOWERMENT (HERE) Act of 2019

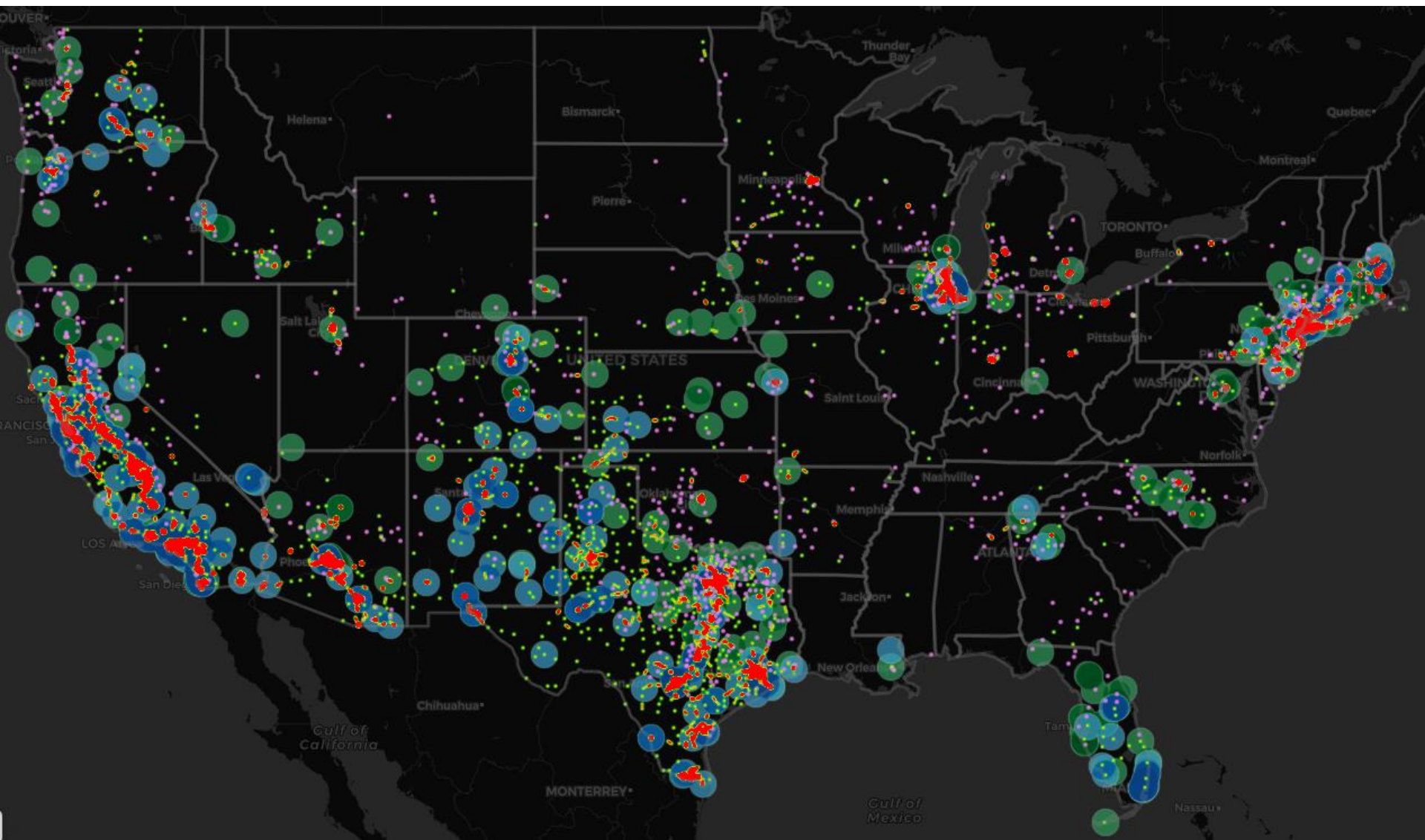


H I S P A N I C A S S O C I A T I O N O F C O L L E G E S A N D U N I V E R S I T I E S

- Proposes a new grant program, authorized at \$150 million, under Title V of the Higher Education Act.
- Introduced by: **Rep. Joaquin Castro** (D-TX).
- Focused on collaborative potential of the PK-12 and the higher education systems.

HERE Act

- The program would provide support for several activities between HSIs and school districts, including:
 - Creating a college-going culture among eligible students;
 - Providing academic support to prepare students for postsecondary education, prevent the need for postsecondary remediation, and, if necessary, provide high quality postsecondary remediation;
 - Supporting eligible students through the college application and transition process;
 - Addressing non-academic needs that serve as barriers to college enrollment, persistence, and completion.



Other Important Issues

- **We are still awaiting final Title IX regulations**
- **SCOTUS will issue ruling on DACA before the end of this term, setting in motion a legislative frenzy to prevent mass deportations**
- **Late last year, by a 5-4 majority, SCOTUS ruled in favor of the Administration's "public charge" regulations denying permanent resident status to otherwise eligible low-income applicants**
- **There have been several reported cases of CBP detaining and deporting Iranian students with valid student visas, in at least one case, in defiance of court order.**

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