

**ALLIANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY STUDIES  
STATE POLICIES AND SYSTEM PERFORMANCE  
FINAL PROJECT MEETING**

**New York University - January 11-12, 2007**

**Conference Format**

The meeting will be organized thematically as a series of three focused conversations among policy leaders and researchers around the issues of undergraduate college preparation, participation, and completion. Each conversation will try to answer three questions: 1) What does experience and research suggest as the most promising combination of state policies to foster high levels of preparation, participation, and completion? 2) How do federal policies contribute to or detract from the effectiveness of these policies? 3) How can policy leaders use this knowledge to improve outcomes?

Each conversation will have a chair and three lead discussants, one from each country. The chair will conduct the session so that all participants (we are anticipating a total of 25 to 30) will have the opportunity to contribute their insights and expertise, while trying to balance the conversation so that it is not dominated by any one individual or group. The lead discussants will provide no more than a ten-minute synthesis of their state's or nation's experience in a way that is designed to be both informative and provocative.

Before the conference, information from the AIHEPS project will be shared with all participants as background for the discussion.

The conference recorder will create a record of the results of the discussion, which will be shared with all participants for comments before being placed in final form and disseminated.

## Meeting Schedule

### **Thursday, January 11**

Kimmel Center for University Life, Rooms 405 and 406

- 8:00 to 9:00 Continental Breakfast Available
- 9:00 to 9:45 **Opening Session: Welcome, Introductions, Purpose of the Meeting, AIHEPS Overview**  
Chair: Ann Marcus  
Discussants: Don Fisher  
Rollin Kent  
Richard Richardson
- 9:45 to 10:00 Break
- 10:00 to 12:30 **Session 1: Policies for Improving College Student Preparation**  
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Chair: Patrick Callan  
Lead Discussants: Theresa Shanahan  
Juan Zorrilla  
Johanna Duncan Poitier
- 12:30 to 1:30 Lunch (Catered)
- 1:30 to 4:00 **Session 2: Policies for Improving College Participation**  
Chair: David Longanecker  
Lead Discussants: Victor González  
Murray Haberman  
Kjell Rubenson
- 6:00 Cocktail Reception and Dinner  
President's Apartment  
37 Washington Square West, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor

### **Friday, January 12**

Kimmel Center for University Life, Rooms 405 and 406

- 8:00 to 9:00 Continental Breakfast Available
- 9:00 to 10:30 **Session 3: Policies for Improving College Completion**  
Chair: Teboho Moja  
Lead Discussants: Darryl Greer  
Philip Steenkamp  
Norma Vite Leon

10:30 to 11:00	Break
11:00 to 12:30	Session 3, Continued
12:30 to 1:30	Lunch (Catered)
1:30 to 3:00	<b>Concluding Session</b> Conference advice to policy leaders interested in improving preparation, participation or completion in their state/province or nation. Conference advice to researchers interested in studying state policies and performance. Chair: Ann Marcus Lead Discussants: Don Fisher Rollin Kent Richard Richardson
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