

Federal Legislation: Higher Education

Congress should reform higher education to promote intellectual freedom, academic rigor, equal opportunity, affordability—and limit foreign interference, politicization, and administrative bloat.

Title IV Federal Funds Eligibility

Reduce administrative bloat, reduce tuition, focus federal aid on needy colleges, and reduce dependence on adjuncts.

Federal Student Aid

Simplify student aid programs, make colleges partially responsible for student loans, provide a legal framework for income share agreements, require student loan buyback programs, increase student knowledge about college debt, redirect student aid disbursements to the states.

Rigorous Academic Standards

Eliminate financial aid for remedial coursework and link Title IV eligibility to academic rigor.

Title IX Due Process Protections

Link federal student loan eligibility to due process protection and require Title IX responsible employees to have criminal defense experience.

Freedom To Learn

Protect intellectual freedom, require an Intellectual Freedom Charter, and define sex as biological.

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De-Politicize Campuses

Condition Title IV eligibility on intellectual diversity protection, sunset the diversity bureaucracy, defund politicized higher education, rescind service-learning authorization, dedicate civics funding to classroom instruction, and require colleges to disclose their speaker fees.

America's National Interest

Limit colleges' dependence on foreign student enrollment, limit Chinese government influence, mandate foreign gift transparency, end international branch campuses in undemocratic countries, reform Title VI area studies grants, forbid sanctuary campuses, strengthen the U.S. Civics Test.

Educational Variety

Treat for-profit colleges equally, make it easier to create new higher education institutions, prohibit discrimination against homeschool students, allow financial aid for dual credit courses.

Equal Opportunity

Mandate transparency about university discrimination, require assessable discriminatory policies, dismantle neo-segregation, and reframe support for "Minority-Serving Institutions."

Education Department Procedures

Depoliticize accreditation, protect religious freedom, replace "peer review" with "expert review."

College Board

Help rivals compete with the College Board and require it to cut ties with the Chinese government.

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