# Connecting You to the Latest News in Higher Education

### **Important Reminders**

 Thinking about taking courses to advance your knowledge and skills? Check out Dartmouth's Educational Assistance Benefits <a href="here">here</a>!

#### **Higher Education News**

Why Does College Cost So Much? - The answers aren't so simple.

<u>'Save the College'</u> - Columbia University task force recommends restructuring the leadership of the UG college, a donor favorite. Alumni, students & many professors object.

A 5th Straight Semester of Enrollment Declines - New data from the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center show total enrollment declined 4.1% since last spring.

How One University Is Trying to Help Its Employees Protect Their Personal Time - Friday afternoons off. Sending emails only during work hours. Safeguarding vacation time. These are among the burnout prevention & retention efforts Cornell University is testing on faculty & staff this summer.

<u>Tracking the Evolution (and Erosion) of Tenure</u> - AAUP finds tenured faculty lines declined dramatically since 2004, but many institutions have updated tenure policies to account for diversity work & work-life balance.

Aid Office Staff Shortages Reach 'Crisis,'
Survey Shows - A new survey shows persistent staffing shortages in financial aid offices, which has raised concerns about their ability to address student needs & maintain compliance with federal regulations in the future.

Why a Novel Way to Pay for College Appeals to Conservatives - Income-share agreements, in which investors help finance students' educations in return for a percentage of their earnings, have become a hot idea in some corners of higher education. Especially conservative ones.

Private Colleges' Net Tuition Revenue from First-Year Students Declined in 2021-22, Study Finds - Revenue drop comes as tuition discount rates for first-year UG's rose to 54.5%. Selective colleges discounted less than others.

Online M.B.A.s Overtake Residential Programs - Thanks in part to the COVID-19 pandemic, online MBA programs have gained stature & students. That's good news for accessibility, and a promising model for other graduate programs.

The College Campus of the Future Will Be
Hybrid - Effectively blending online and faceto-face instruction can enhance the quality of
degrees for all types of learners while decreasing the cost of attendance.

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<u>Campus Mask Mandates Return</u> - UCLA, Hawaii, and Penn State are among the colleges restoring the requirement.

A New Plan to Fix Old Buildings - Many public universities face a costly backlog of facilities maintenance & renewal projects. The University of Nebraska is trying a new approach to finance infrastructure repairs well into the future.

The Pandemic's Lasting Lessons for Colleges, From Academic Innovation Leaders

Inflation Swells Tuition Prices - Tuition largely held steady during the pandemic. Now rampant inflation is pushing tuition costs up, with some institutions approving steep increases unseen since the recession of 2008.

<u>Provosts Stand Firm in Annual Survey</u> - Most provosts say the academic health of their institution is good, & changes made during the pandemic have not negatively impacted academic quality.

Why Having Two Types of Elite Universities
Will Restore Confidence in U.S. Higher Education

<u>Coursera Launces Skills Training Academy</u> <u>for Colleges and Companies</u> - Move could help company strengthen its focus on selling courses to colleges rather than consumers.

#### Ivy+ News

Stanford Receives \$1.1 Billion Gift for Sustainability School - Gift is the largest ever given to a university for the establishment of a new school & is the 2nd largest donation ever made to an institution of higher ed.

Margaret and Robert Hariri Name New Dormitory to Support Undergraduate Expansion

- Princeton will open its first new student housing since 2007, housing approximately 500 students and enabling expansion of student body by 10%.

New Building to Create 'Unified Complex' for Bowers CIS (Cornell) - Construction is scheduled to begin in early 2023 on a state-of-the-art academic building for the College of Computing & Information Science. The new building will accommodate the college's rapid growth, promote student & faculty collaborations & create an open landscaped green space with Bill & Melinda Gates Hall.

## **Dartmouth News**

<u>Tuck Launches Initiative on Workplace Inclusion</u> - Founded and led by faculty director and professor Ella Bell Smith, the new Tuck initiative will work to harness workplace inclusion to better the world through business.

Officials Offer More Info on Lyme Road Planning Process - Proposals to be shared in June, with additional input sought in July & August.

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## **F&A Professional Development Events**

### F&A PD Mini-Session: MS Teams Tips & Tricks

Wednesday, June 8, 10:00 – 11:00 - Zoom

This MS Teams session will focus on tips and tricks for using MS Teams and collaborating more efficiently. Come ready to learn and share.

## C3I Gender Bias Training: Part Two (of a 2-Part Series)

Wednesday, June 15, 10:30 - 11:30 - Register

This second session will delve into specific workplace scenarios that correlate with the most prevalent types of gender bias.

PREREQUISITE: Part One of the C3I Gender Bias Training. This will be repeated every other month.

Optional Pre-Work and Resources available within our F&A Staff Team within the Knowledge and Community Channel -> Diversity & Inclusion -> C3I Gender Bias Training

#### **Year-End Coffee Break**

Wednesday, June 29, 11:30 – 12:00 - Zoom

Come hang out and catch up.

### **HR Professional Development Workshops**

Refer to HR's <u>Course Catalog</u> which lists numerous professional development and Wellness opportunities (courses are now available through September).

