



Article of the Month:

[What Higher Ed Will Look Like in 10 Years - Fundamental change is coming quickly.](#)

Higher Education News

[An Early Look at Diversity Post-Affirmative Action](#) - Colleges are slowly releasing demographic data for the Class of 2028, giving a glimpse of the Supreme Court ruling's impact on racial diversity. The results are decidedly mixed.

[More Selective Colleges Report Diversity Dip](#) - Penn, Middlebury, Haverford, and Swarthmore all reported a drop in the share of students of color in their first-year classes this fall according to newly released data.

[How Title VI Is Tripping Up Colleges](#) - The Office for Civil Rights has resolved six investigations into how colleges responded to reports of antisemitism. The findings show how those colleges fell short of federal law and hold lessons for the rest of higher ed.



[Congressional Watchdog Digs Into FAFSA Fiasco, Revealing Oversights, Call-Center Failures, and Unresolved Glitches](#) - The Government Accountability Office released new findings on the federal-aid crisis. But no one can say when it will finally come to an end.



[Princeton, MIT, Harvard sit atop U.S. News college rankings - again](#) - After methodological changes unveiled last year, the latest list shows more stability.

[New Report Shows College Rankings Are Losing Influence](#) - Among traditional college-bound high school students who consider college rankings, only about one in 10 say they care about an institution's particular rank.

[Housing Woes Abound as Fall Semester Begins](#) - Students living in hotels miles from campus. Six students sharing a single shower. These are just a few of the solutions from this year's overcrowded campuses.



[We Looked at Dozens of Colleges' New Pro-test Policies. Here's What We Found.](#) - No "unauthorized structures." No chairs. No "amplified musical instruments." "Free Expression Permits." Ahead of a fresh wave of pro-Palestinian activism, campus officials have clamped down on free expression.

[Campus Cuts Appear to Slow in August](#) - Fewer institutions announced layoffs in August compared to the earlier summer months. But at several universities that did, the cuts were sweeping.



[Students' Demands for Divestment From Israel Have Mostly Failed](#) - Multiple institutions agreed to consider divestment from weapons manufacturers and others profiting off the war in Gaza. Only a handful have moved toward doing so.

[Elite US universities rake in millions from big oil donations, research finds](#) - Student-led analyses raise concerns of conflict of interest at six universities, including Princeton, Columbia and Cornell.

[Common App Expands Direct Admissions](#) - Common App launched its direct admissions program for the 2024–25 application cycle with 116 partner institutions in 34 states, up from 71 institutions in 28 states last year.

[Burnout of Administrative Staff Risks 'Destabilizing' Colleges](#) - Research study finds staff members are regularly over-worked, resulting in unsustainable model.

[Here's What to Know About Turnover Risks in Higher Ed's Work Force](#) - About 16% of survey respondents were at risk of leaving in the next two years, a new report shows.



[How colleges can close the persistent wage gap](#) - Experts pointed to pay audits, pay transparency, standardizing promotions and improving workplaces.

[Have Americans Actually Lost Faith in Higher Education?](#) - A policy brief from New America argues the answer is no and that media organizations have oversimplified the results of public perception polls.



Ivy+ News

[\\$100 million gift will advance UChicago's commitment to free expression](#) - Gift will build upon the University's longstanding leadership in free expression while expanding the Chicago Forum's impactful work.

[\\$25 Million Gift to Establish New STEM+ Scholars Program](#) - Duke University has received a \$25 million gift from philanthropists Bruce and Martha Karsh to spur learning and innovation in STEM-related fields via a new undergraduate scholars program.

[Northwestern Receives \\$55 Million to Advance Health Research](#) - National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding to accelerate development, evaluation and implementation of improved healthcare interventions.

[Penn Embraces Institutional Neutrality](#) - Institution will refrain from issuing public statements "in response to local and world events except for those which have direct and significant bearing on University functions."

[Facing Budget Cuts and Faculty Pushback, Brandeis President Resigns](#) - Faculty members accused Liebowitz of "damaging errors of judgment and poor leadership," citing his handling of pro-Palestinian protests and recent layoffs.

[Penn Creates New Title VI Center. Will Other Colleges Follow?](#) - Opening a center to handle shared ancestry complaints such as those alleging antisemitism is the latest signal that colleges are turning to their Title IX playbooks to comply with Title VI.



Dartmouth News

[Dartmouth Undergraduate Class of 2028 Sustains Diversity](#) - The percentage of Pell Grant recipients also increased dramatically.





[Dartmouth Details Expansive Vision for Undergrad Housing](#) - Gina and Tom Russo donate \$30 million to spur campaign for new student residences.



[Trustees Hail Progress on Housing and Sustainability](#) - Board members tour campus projects during their September meeting.

[A \\$15 Million Challenge Gift Supports 'Lifelong Dartmouth'](#) - A new campus location and gift for internships help students design careers.



[Dartmouth's Geisel School of Medicine to Launch New Online Master's Degree Program in Implementation Science](#)

[Kathryn Bezella Named Dean of Undergraduate Admissions](#) - The incoming admissions professional has been a vice dean at Penn.



[Audrey Anderson Named Interim General Counsel](#) - Anderson is a former vice chancellor and general counsel at Vanderbilt University.





F&A Professional Development Events

Check out HR's [Course Catalog](#) which lists numerous professional development opportunities, with courses available through [December](#).

Day in the Life of the Office of Sponsored Projects

Friday, October 4, 10:00 - 11:00 - [Zoom](#)

Step into the world of the Office of Sponsored Projects with our engaging "Day in the Life" presentation! Discover the dynamic and multifaceted role this team plays in driving innovation and securing funding for groundbreaking research and initiatives. Through a series of captivating stories and behind-the-scenes glimpses, they will showcase the diverse challenges and triumphs that define a typical day. From navigating complex grant proposals to fostering collaborative partnerships, see firsthand how their expertise shapes the future of our projects.

Mini-Session: How Finance Uses Agiloft for Contract Management

Thursday, October 10, 1:00 - 2:00 - [Zoom](#)

Discover how Finance leverages Agiloft for seamless contract management in this informative mini-session. We'll explore how Agiloft streamlines procurement operations, enhances contract visibility, and improves compliance. Join us to see how this powerful tool can optimize your contract processes and drive efficiency at Dartmouth.

Mini-Session: Getting Started with Oracle Self-Service Analytics

Friday, October 18, 11:00 - 12:00 - [Zoom](#)

Join us for a mini-session on getting started with Oracle Self-Service Analytics! In this brief yet comprehensive overview, we'll guide you through the basics of using Oracle's intuitive analytics platform. Learn how to easily upload, access, analyze, and visualize your data, empowering you to make data-driven decisions with confidence. Whether you're new to analytics or looking to enhance your skills, this session is your gateway to unlocking powerful insights with Oracle.





Career Path Discussion: Tawnia Boutin

Friday, November 1, 11:00 - 12:00 - [Zoom](#)

With >20 years of transformative experience at Dartmouth, Tawnia has served as Director of Institutional Accounting, Senior Director for Accounting and Finance Center Operations, and currently as the Executive Director for Finance Operations. Join us to gain firsthand insights into Tawnia's career milestones, her strategic approach to problem-solving, and her work at Dartmouth. This is a unique opportunity to learn from a leader who has influenced financial services and operational excellence.

CFO Coffee Break

Tuesday, November 12, 1:00 - 2:00 - https://here.dartmouth.edu/itc_lab

Our next CFO Coffee Break is scheduled for November 12 with special guest Kenya Tyson, Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives.

