



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



The Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance will host a public hearing on Tuesday, September 19, 2006, from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Washington, DC. Members of the public are invited to attend. To register for the hearing, please click on this link: <http://www.ed.gov/about/bdscomm/list/acsfa/registration/edlite-index.html> and see additional information on the following page. Please register early--space is limited.

ACSFA FALL 2006 PUBLIC HEARING REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND PRELIMINARY AGENDA

SESSION # AND DESCRIPTION		PANELISTS
I	<p>Financial Barriers Report</p> <p>This session will publicly launch the Committee's new report on the impact of financial barriers on college enrollment and degree attainment, an update to Empty Promises (2002), and consider the implications for America's long-term economic competitiveness and future policies.</p>	<p>Ms. Sarita Brown, President, Excelencia in Education, Inc. Dr. Terry Hartle, Senior Vice President, American Council on Education (ACE) Dr. William "Brit" Kirwan, Chancellor, University System of Maryland Dr. A. Dallas Martin, Jr., President, National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) Dr. Arnold Mitchem, President, Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) Dr. David Warren, President, National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU)</p>
II	<p>College Textbook Cost Study</p> <p>This panel will consider the plan and design for the one-year study on the cost of college textbooks requested by the House Committee on Education and the Workforce Chairman Howard P. "Buck" McKeon (R-CA) and Congressman David Wu (D-OR).</p>	<p>Dr. James V. Koch (Presenter), Professor of Economics and President Emeritus, Department of Economics, Old Dominion University Mr. Richard Hershman, Director of Government Relations, National Association of College Stores Dr. Valerie F. Lewis, Commissioner of Higher Education, Connecticut Department of Higher Education Ms. Debra Prescott, Senior Analyst, U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO)</p> <p>Congressional Staff will also participate in this panel's discussion.</p>
III	<p>Feasibility of Radically Simplifying Federal EFC Determination Study</p> <p>The panel will discuss the design to determine the extent to which the calculation of the EFC for federal programs can be radically simplified without adverse effects on program costs, integrity, or delivery.</p>	<p>Dr. Sandy Baum (Presenter), Senior Policy Analyst, The College Board Dr. Steven E. Brooks, Executive Director, North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority Mr. Joe Paul Case, Director of Financial Aid, Amherst College Mr. George Chin, Director of Student Financial Assistance, City University of New York (CUNY) Ms. Laurie Wolf, Executive Dean, Student Services, Des Moines Area Community College</p>
IV	<p>Roundtable Discussion and Public Comment</p>	<p>This session will be devoted to a roundtable discussion of all the topics covered during the hearing between Committee members, panelists, and members of the public who wish to provide comment. If you wish to provide comment to the Advisory Committee on any of the topics covered at this hearing, please see the registration information on the following page.</p>

Please join us on September 19, 2006 in Washington, D.C.
Washington Court Hotel, The Executive Room, 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW
For more information, please call 202-219-2099 or email: ACSFA@ed.gov



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Hearing of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance

The Washington Court Hotel on Capitol Hill, The Executive Room
525 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

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THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 8, 2006.

- TO REGISTER ON-LINE:** Please visit <http://www.ed.gov/about/bdscomm/list/acsfa/registration/edlite-index.html> and click on the **Register Now** button at the bottom of the announcement if you plan to attend.
- TO REGISTER BY MAIL OR FAX:** Please complete the registration information below, and mail or fax this form to the Advisory Committee staff office at (202) 219-3032.
- Individuals requiring special accommodations for a disability** (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should contact the Advisory Committee at (202) 219-2099 no later than Tuesday, September 12.
- To request time for public comment**, please indicate so below. Because time is limited, five minutes will be allotted, in order of registration, to those contacted by Advisory Committee staff.
- To provide written comment**, please email a copy to acsfa@ed.gov on or before September 15, 2006.

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IF YES, ON WHAT TOPIC? _____

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