The University Unbound: Can Higher Education Compete and Survive the Age of Free and Open Learning?

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Innovators and entrepreneurs are using technologies to make freely available the things for which universities charge significant money. MOOCs, free online courses, lecture podcasts, low-cost off-the-shelf general education courses, online tutorials and digital collections of open learning resources are disrupting higher education's hold on knowledge, instruction and credentialing. Can colleges and universities remain relevant and justify their continually rising price?

How will they innovate and reinvent themselves?

<u>AGENDA</u>

7:45 – 8:30 a.m. Registration, Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 8:40 a.m. Welcome, Introductory Remarks

Michael K. Thomas, President and CEO New England Board of Higher Education

8:40 – 9:15 a.m. Introduction: Game Changers Revolutionizing Higher Education

Presenter: Diana Oblinger

President and CEO, Educause

9:20 – 9:55 a.m. Keynote Address

Anant Agarwal President, edX

Professor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, MIT

9:55 – 11:00 a.m. New Models and Partnerships

Facilitator: Chris Vogel

Contributing Editor, Boston Magazine

Presenters: Andrew Ng

Co-founder, Coursera

Professor, Computer Science, Stanford University

John Katzman

Founder, Chair of Board of Directors, Noodle

Founder, 2Tor, Princeton Review

11:00 - 11: 10 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. – 12: 15 p.m. "Gandhian Innovation" and Creating the \$10,000 Degree

Facilitator: Saul Kaplan

Founder and Chief Catalyst, Business Innovation Factory

Presenter: Paul LeBlanc

President, Southern New Hampshire University

Respondents: W. David Watts

President, University of Texas of the Permian Basin

Ed Klonoski

President, Charter Oak State College

12:15 - 1:10 p.m.

Lunch

1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Plenary Session:

New Measures and Outcomes, Competency Based Education and

Credentialing

Facilitator:

Cameron Staples President and CEO

New England Association of Schools and Colleges

Panelists:

Rosemarie Nassif

Special Advisor to the Assistant Secretary

U.S. Department of Education

Erin Knight

Senior Director of Learning

Mozilla Foundation

Sally Johnstone

Vice President for Academic Advancement

Western Governors University

2:20 - 3:20 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session A

New England Room, 4th floor

Concurrent Session B

Connolly Center, 4th floor

Open, Flat and Free: Improving Higher Ed and Lowering Its Price

Facilitator: Dan Butin

Dean, School of Education, Merrimack College

Executive Director, Center for Engaged Democracy

Presenters:

Mary Lou Forward

Executive Director, Open Courseware Consortium

Jeff Shelstad

Co-founder, CEO, Flat World Knowledge

Raymond J. Rice Professor of English

Chair, College of Arts and Sciences University of Maine at Presque Isle Flipped Instruction: The Interactive

Classroom

Facilitator:
Philip S. DiSalvio
Dean, University College

University of Massachusetts Boston

Presenters: Julie Schell

Co-Founder, Peer Instruction Network Senior Research Associate, Mazour Group School of Engineering and Applied Science

Harvard University

Daniel Carchidi

Manager, Instructional Development Center

University of New Hampshire

3:30 ADJOURN