



AGENDA

Assembly Committee on Higher Education Assembly Member Mike Fong, Chair

The Impact of the Federal Government on the Future of Higher Education.

Monday, November 17, 2025

1pm

California State Capitol Building, Room 126

I. Opening Remarks 15 minutes

- Chair Mike Fong
- Committee Members from the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

II. The Impact of the Federal Government in funding Higher Education Institutions.

- Dr. Junius Gonzales – Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs – California State University.
- President Christopher Callahan – President – University of the Pacific.
- Christopher (Chris) Ferguson – Executive Vice Chancellor of Finance and Strategic Initiatives – California Community Colleges.
- David O'Brien – Vice Chancellor of External Relations – California Community Colleges.
- Dr. Katherine Newman – Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs – University of California.

III. The Impact of the Federal Government in Addressing Equity in Access.

- Dr. Daisy Gonzales – Executive Director – California Student Aid Commission.
- Chancellor Alberto J. Román – Chancellor – Los Angeles Community College District.
- Kristen Soares – President – Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities.
- Dr. Elizabeth Boyd – Chair of the Academic Senate of the California State University.
- Dr. Cirian Villavicencio – Professor and Co – Chair Department of Political Science – San Joaquin Delta College.

IV. The Student's Perspective on the Impact of the Federal Government.

- Jerry Reyes – President – Student Senate for California Community Colleges.
- Aaron Villarreal – Chair – California State Student Association.
- Aditi Hariharan – President – University of California Student Association.
- José Aguilar – Vice President of External Affairs – UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly.

V. Public Comment

VI. Closing Remarks

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