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Commissioner Joseph C. Rallo welcomes you to the

2017 Spring Forum

February 2nd | Holiday Inn Alexandria ~ Downtown | 8:30 AM registration

AGENDA

Elevate Louisiana: Reimagining Higher Education & Workforce Preparation

9:00-9:15 AM

GREETINGS, HOUSEKEEPING & AUDIENCE CHECK-IN

Dr. Lisa S. Vosper ~ Associate Commissioner, *Louisiana Board of Regents* - *Facilitating*
Mr. Richard Lipsey ~ Chair, *Louisiana Board of Regents*

~ **AUDIENCE CHECK-IN: What Say You?** ~

Note: Participants will need their laptops, iPads, and other electronic devices to fully participate.

9:15-9:40 AM

WELCOME AND OVERVIEW: The Challenge and Our Charge

Dr. Joseph C. Rallo ~ Commissioner of Higher Education
Elevate Louisiana

9:45-11:05 AM

GAME CHANGERS OVERVIEW

Dr. Dhanfu Elston ~ Vice President for Alliance State Relations
Complete College America

- *Think 30 Louisiana!*
- Math Pathways
- Structured Schedules
- Co-Requisite Remediation
- Guided Pathways to Success (Meta Majors)

This session is designed to challenge and provide faculty the tools to more effectively assist students as they navigate the college experience. Faculty and other higher education leaders will be empowered with game-changing tactics that enhance student learning and promote timely completion.

11:05-11:45 AM

WHAT'S WORKFORCE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

- Ms. Susana Schowen ~ Director of Workforce
Louisiana Economic Development FastStart
- Mr. Sachin Chintawar ~ Director of Research & Data
Louisiana Workforce Commission

Postsecondary education must provide a highly skilled and well-trained labor force for Louisiana's existing businesses and equip the State with the human capital needed to attract new business and industry. This includes strengthening the connections between businesses and institutions. In this session, LED and LWC will discuss Louisiana's workforce forecast, the role of faculty in helping to fill the workforce gap, and strategies to forge mutually beneficial partnerships with their agencies and business and industry.

11:50-1:20 PM

CHAT & CHEW: LUNCH w/a Message ~ Topic: Reimagining Higher Education

Mr. Johnny Taylor, Jr. ~ CEO
Thurgood Marshall College Fund

Named one of the "Power 100" by Ebony Magazine in its list of the 100 most influential African Americans, Johnny Taylor, Jr., President and CEO of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCF), will acknowledge the changing higher ed landscape. He will share a thought-provoking perspective on the importance of faculty engagement and higher education leadership during this transition.

1:20-1:50 PM

RESOURCES YOU MAY NOT KNOW YOU HAVE...

Panel: Ms. Carrie Robison (Sponsored Programs), Ms. Nikki Godfrey (LUMCON),
Ms. Teri Gallaway (LOUIS), Mr. Lonnie Leger (LONI)

Many times faculty may not be fully aware of the resources that exist to support their work. This session will inform participants of available higher education resources provided through the Board of Regents programs.



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1:50-2:50 PM

LET'S HEAR WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY... ~ A FACULTY PANEL

This session has been designed to give faculty an opportunity to provide input based on what they have heard. Specifically, they will be asked to consider the role of faculty in responding to ACT 619.

2:50-2:55 PM

TYING UP LOOSE ENDS: QUESTIONS, ANSWERS, & NEXT STEPS

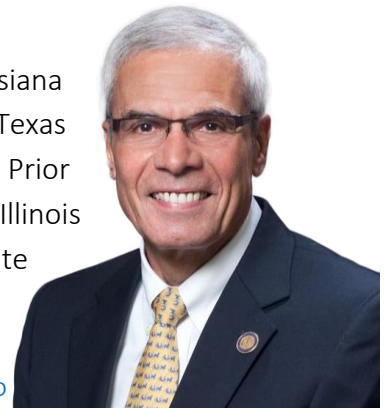
2:55-3:00 PM

SPRING FORUM CLOSING COMMENTS

Dr. Joseph C. Rallo ~ Commissioner of Higher Education

Keynote Speakers

Dr. Joseph C. Rallo serves as the 8th Commissioner of Higher Education for the Louisiana Board of Regents. Dr. Rallo served as the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for the Texas Tech University System. Dr. Rallo is also the Past-President of Angelo State University. Prior to that appointment he served as Provost and Academic Vice President at Western Illinois University, and was Dean of the College of Business and Administration and the Graduate School of Business Administration at the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs.



Dr. Joseph C. Rallo



Dr. Dhanfu E. Elston serves as Complete College America's Vice President for Alliance State Relations where he utilizes his campus expertise for practical application, implementation, and scaling of CCA strategies at institutions throughout the nation. He also provides oversight of CCA's 15-To-Finish strategy and coordinates relationships with Governor's Offices and higher education state-wide systems in their college completion efforts. Over two decades of his higher education career in academic and student affairs, Elston has created and implemented comprehensive success and retention programs that have garnered national attention.

Dr. Dhanfu E. Elston

Named one of the "Power 100" by Ebony Magazine in its list of the 100 most influential African Americans a year after assuming the role of President and CEO, Johnny C. Taylor, Jr. leads the Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCf), the only national organization representing nearly 300,000 students attending this country's 47 publicly-supported Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). With approximately 80 percent of all HBCU students attending TMCf member-schools, Mr. Taylor leads an organization responsible for providing this country a robust and diverse pipeline of talented workers and future leaders.



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