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# **FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENING**

**December 1–2, 2014**

**Loews Miami Beach Hotel, 1601 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, FL**

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| Arkansas   | Florida  | Louisiana     | Montana      | South Dakota  |
| Colorado   | Georgia  | Maine         | Nevada       | Tennessee     |
| Commonwealth<br>of the<br>Northern<br>Mariana<br>Islands | Hawaii   | Maryland      | New Mexico   | Texas         |
| Connecticut  | Idaho    | Massachusetts | Ohio         | Utah          |
| District of<br>Columbia                                  | Illinois | Minnesota     | Oklahoma     | Vermont       |
|  | Indiana  | Mississippi   | Oregon       | West Virginia |
|  | Kentucky | Missouri      | Pennsylvania | Wisconsin     |
|  |          |               | Rhode Island | Wyoming       |



# BUILDING MOMENTUM, ACHIEVING RESULTS

*Unless noted, all sessions for the Annual Convening will be held in Americana Ballroom 1–3  
with meals served in Americana Ballroom 4.*

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 1

2:00 p.m.

### **WELCOME**

#### **NATIONAL RELEASE: *The Four-Year Myth***

*Stan Jones, President, Complete College America*

2:20 p.m.

#### **THE FOUR-YEAR MYTH: Interview with *The Chronicle of Higher Education***

*Stan Jones, President, Complete College America*

*Debra Humphreys, Vice President for Policy & Public Engagement,  
Association of American Colleges & Universities*

*Cheryl Hyman, Chancellor, City Colleges of Chicago*

*Katie Mangan, Senior Reporter, Chronicle of Higher Education*

*Neil Theobald, President, Temple University*

3:05 p.m.

#### **BUSTING THE MYTH: Lumina's Investment in CCA and GPS**

*Danette Howard, Vice President, Policy & Mobilization, Lumina Foundation*

3:35 p.m.

#### **GPS IN STEM: Five States Partner with CCA and the Helmsley Trust**

*Bruce Vandal, Vice President, Complete College America*

*Sue Cui, Program Associate, Helmsley Charitable Trust*

*Crystal Gonzales, Program Associate, Helmsley Charitable Trust*

*Dale Allen, Special Assistant to the Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Higher  
Education*

*Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor — Academic Affairs, Ohio Board of Regents*

*Marilyn Hamilton, Acting Dean — Office of Academic Affairs, University of the District of  
Columbia Community College*

*Chris Mathias, Chief Academic Officer, Idaho Office of the State Board of Education*

*Candace Mueller, Assistant Director — External Relations, Illinois Board of Higher Education*

*Uri Treisman, Executive Director, The Charles A. Dana Center, University of Texas*

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4:15 p.m. **PURPOSE FIRST: Enhancing GPS to Help Students Make the “Big Choice”**

**Stan Jones**, *President, Complete College America*

**Brian Bosworth**, *President, FutureWorks*

**Carol D’Amico**, *Executive Vice President, USA Funds*

**Tim Renick**, *Vice President, Enrollment Management & Student Success, Georgia State University*

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4:55 p.m. **UNCOVERING THE MOMENTUM OF 15 TO FINISH**

**Blake Johnson**, *Director of Communications, Complete College America*

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**LIVE: UNIVERSITY OF AKRON FINISH IN TIME INFOMERCIAL**

**William Kollman**, *Associate Director, Alumni & Government Relations, The University of Akron*

**Chris Stimler**, *Assistant Director, Office of Admissions, The University of Akron*

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5:05 p.m. **DRAMATIC RESULTS WITH 15 TO FINISH**

**Blake Johnson**, *Director of Communications, Complete College America*

**Dhanfu El-Hajj Elston**, *Executive Director of Student Success & Transition, Purdue University Calumet*

**Wayne Hill**, *Chief Marketing Officer, The University of Akron*

**Kathy Johnson**, *Associate Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education, IUPUI*

**Serena Klempin**, *Research Associate, Community College Research Center*

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5:45 p.m. **STATE TEAM TIME: Using GPS to Get Your State on Track** *Poinciana Ballroom*

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6:45–8:30 p.m. **NETWORKING RECEPTION AND DINNER** *Americana Lawn*

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## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

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8:30 a.m. **WELCOME**

**Tom Sugar**, *Senior Vice President, Complete College America*

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8:35 a.m. **NATIONAL RELEASE: Game Changer Data by State (Live Demo)**

**Katie Zaback**, *Senior Policy Analyst, State Higher Education Executive Officers Association*

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8:45 a.m. **LEVERAGING THE POWER OF DATA TO INSPIRE AND REWARD REFORM**

**Stan Jones**, *President, Complete College America*

**Jason Bearce**, *Associate Commissioner for Communications, Indiana Commission for Higher Education*

**John Morgan**, *Chancellor, Tennessee Board of Regents*

**Brett Visger**, *Associate Vice Chancellor, Ohio Board of Regents*

**Katie Zaback**, *Senior Policy Analyst, State Higher Education Executive Officers Association*

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9:30 a.m.

**COREQUISITE REMEDIATION AT SCALE**

**Bruce Vandal**, *Vice President, Complete College America*

**Deborah Lott**, *Student, Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana*

**Mary Ostrye**, *Senior Vice President & Provost, Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana*

**James Skidmore**, *Chancellor, West Virginia Council for Community & Technical College Education*

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10:15 a.m.

**HIGH-STAKES PLACEMENT**

**Stan Jones**, *President, Complete College America*

**Tom Bailey**, *Director, Community College Research Center*

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10:45 a.m.

**GATEWAYS TO PATHWAYS: Innovations in College-Level Math**

**Bruce Vandal**, *Vice President, Complete College America*

**Greg Budzban**, *Professor & Chair, Department of Mathematics, Southern Illinois University*

**Amy Getz**, *Strategic Implementation Lead, Higher Education, The Charles A. Dana Center, University of Texas*

**Chris Herald**, *Professor, University of Nevada, Reno*

**Rob Jeffs**, *Associate Professor, Mathematics, Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana*

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11:30 a.m.

**THE DRAMATIC IMPACT OF STRUCTURE**

**Danny Ambrose**, *Director of Mentoring & Student Success, Stella and Charles Guttman Community College, CUNY*

**Adrian Escoto**, *Student, Stella and Charles Guttman Community College, CUNY*

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11:50 a.m.

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Stan Jones**, *President, Complete College America*

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12:00 p.m.

**TEAM LUNCH**

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1:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

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