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The 45th Annual Conference of the Northeastern Educational Research Association

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NEW LOCATION

Marriott Hotel, Trumbull, Connecticut

Equity and Excellence in an Era of Accountability

Despite years of research, policy debates, and program refinements, inequality of opportunity continues to be one of the major problems in the United States today. Perhaps the most important reasons for the disparities in opportunity are the quality and quantity of education that students receive. While racial segregation in society and schools has decreased, economic segregation has increased. The achievement gap between rich and poor students born at the beginning of this century is now about one-third larger than for those born 25 years earlier. In an era of greater educational accountability, what can and should we do, as educators and researchers, to help reduce inequalities of opportunity and to ensure equity and excellence for all students?

Keynote Speaker

Jonathan R. Alger

President, James Madison University



President Alger is a nationally recognized scholar and speaker on higher education policy and law, and has given presentations across the United States and abroad on a range of topics including access and opportunity, diversity, intellectual property, and academic freedom. Prior to becoming president of James Madison University, he was a senior vice president and the general counsel at Rutgers University. At the University of Michigan, he played a key leadership role in the university's efforts in two landmark Supreme Court cases on diversity and undergraduate and professional school admissions. We look forward to having President Alger help set the tone of the 2014 NERA Conference.

As always, you can expect...

- engaging invited speakers and panel discussions
- workshops for professional development
- opportunities to present research
- social events to engage with your peers
- an encouraging environment for researchers at all levels of experience

See you in Trumbull, CT for the 2014 NERA Conference!!!

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