

# Task Force on Higher Education



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# Why Task Force?

1. Blue Ribbon Commission- 2006
2. Federal Role Expanding
3. Declining Public Confidence
4. Looming Instability

# Trends in Higher Education: Understanding Policy and Outcomes



# The State–Federal Relationship in Higher Education



# A State–Led Strategy to Enhance the Value of Degrees



# Understanding the State-Federal Role

1. Funding
2. Finance
3. Transparency and Accountability
4. State-Federal Partnership



Satisfied with current federal  
approach through the Pell Grant



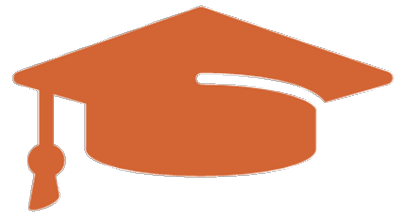
Concerned about the increasing  
costs of the loan program



Prefer federal approach that  
emphasizes transparency over  
accountability



Interested in state-federal  
collaboration on improvement



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