Federal Postsecondary Data Boot Camp

January 2022
KAJABI & ZOOM

PNPI will utilize the Kajabi online platform for the learning modules and Zoom for the live sessions.

BOOT CAMP LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Introduce participants to, and extend their knowledge of, the postsecondary data sets at the U.S. Department of Education.
- Introduce participants to, and extend their knowledge of, federal student loan data sets.
- Explore postsecondary data linkages across federal agencies.
- Lead participants through data exercises meant to increase their knowledge and familiarity with accessing and analyzing postsecondary data available through the U.S. Department of Education.
- Discuss limitations with current federal postsecondary data sources.

January 5th: Modules Go Live on Kajabi

Participants are encouraged to work through the online modules asynchronously and complete all modules before the live Zoom sessions later in the month.

Module One: Federal Postsecondary Data Sets

This module will review the primary federal postsecondary data sets at the U.S. Department of Education, including what data each set contains and how the data is used.

Module Two: Federal Student Loan Data

This module will explain what federal data exists on student loans, the student loan portfolio, and student loan repayment.

Module Three: Linkages Across Federal Data Systems

This module will explain what federal agencies other than the U.S. Department of Education collect data relevant to higher education and the partnerships among federal agencies to share postsecondary data.

Module Four: Postsecondary Data Limitations

This module will discuss the missing or limited data in the current federal postsecondary sets.
**January 27th: Ask an Expert Zoom Sessions**

**Zoom Session #1: January 27th (11:00am–12:30pm ET)**
*Live Zoom Ask an Expert: Federal Postsecondary Data Sets*
This session will allow participants to ask experts any remaining questions they have about the primary data sets at the U.S. Department of Education.

*Panelists:* [Mamie Voight](#), Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP), and [Jordan Matsudaira](#), U.S. Department of Education

**Zoom Session #2: January 27th (1:30–3:00pm ET)**
*Live Zoom Ask an Expert: Federal Postsecondary Student Loan Data*
This session will allow participants to ask experts any remaining questions they have about federal postsecondary student loan data.

*Panelists:* [Bryan Cook](#), Urban Institute, and [Sarah Sattelmeyer](#), New America

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**January 28th: Zoom Data Simulation & Researcher Roundtable**

**Zoom Session #3: January 28th (11:00am–12:30pm ET)**
*Live Zoom Data Simulation & Data Set Practice*
In this session, participants will participate in a federal student data exercise utilizing the College Navigator and Quickstats to practice accessing and retrieving data. *This session must be attended live to earn a digital badge.*

*Facilitator:* [Kim Dancy](#), Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP) and PNPI Staff

**Zoom Session #4: January 28th (1:30–3:30pm ET)**
*Live Zoom Researcher Roundtable on Data Limitations & Course Close*
In this session, participants will hear from academic and policy researchers regarding the limitations of postsecondary data, the challenges those limitations pose, and the potential benefits of having access to additional data.

*Panelists:* [Jinann Bitar](#), The Education Trust, [Robert Kelchen](#), University of Tennessee, and [Amy O’Hara](#), Georgetown Federal Statistical Research Data Center
Below you will find examples of past modules in the Kajabi platform.

**Week One: Cost of Attendance & The Federal Methodology**

**Module One: Cost of Attendance (COA)**
This session will provide an overview of cost of attendance: what it is and how it differs from tuition; what are direct and indirect costs; how institutions calculate COA and why accurate COA calculations matter; and how COA can affect federal financial aid allocations. To complete this module, watch the presentation above and review the readings listed below. Note: Participants can adjust the speed of the presentation by clicking on the "settings" icon in the bottom right of the video.

**Required Readings:**
- Be sure to read the articles pinned in the "Downloads" section on the right for important background on this topic. They are also listed below.
- Tuition vs. Total Cost of Attendance: Understanding Your College Expenses by Monika Schussnig.
- Beyond the College Bill: The Hidden Hurdles of Indirect Costs by Ann Coles, Laura Keane, and Brendan Williams.
- Questioning the Calculations: Are Colleges Complying with Federal and Ethical Mandates for Providing Students with Estimated Costs? by Laura W. Perna, Jeremy Wright-Kim, and...