

# Liberal Education & America's Promise

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## Campus Action Network—An AAC&U Member Benefit

*Liberal Education and America's Promise (LEAP): Excellence for Everyone as a Nation Goes to College*, is AAC&U's signature initiative to champion the value of a liberal education for all students regardless of background, enrollment path, academic specialization, or intended career.

LEAP seeks to: (1) engage the public with core questions about what really matters in college; (2) give students a compass to guide their learning; and, (3) make a set of essential learning outcomes the preferred framework for educational excellence, assessment of learning, and new alignments between school and college.

### LEAP Campus Action Network (CAN)

The LEAP Campus Action Network (CAN) provides AAC&U members with an opportunity to partner directly with AAC&U and other member campuses and organizations committed to liberal education. CAN not only improves individual institutional efforts to ensure all students achieve liberal education outcomes, but also shines a spotlight on campus practices that work and helps local and national publics see how AAC&U member campuses are reinventing higher education.

#### Joining CAN

By joining CAN, AAC&U member institutions pledge to proactively advance liberal education for all students—including those who historically have been underserved by the academy. CAN members further pledge to develop and publicize practices—curricular, cocurricular, and pedagogical—that can help students achieve essential liberal education outcomes.

**All AAC&U member institutions are eligible to participate in CAN as a membership benefit.** Joining CAN is simple and free.

Visit [www.aacu.org/leap/can/join.cfm](http://www.aacu.org/leap/can/join.cfm) to get started. To check and see if your institution is already in CAN, visit [www.aacu.org/leap/can/network\\_members.cfm](http://www.aacu.org/leap/can/network_members.cfm).

**If your institution is not an AAC&U member** and you are interested in exploring membership, please contact our membership office at [memberservices@aacu.org](mailto:memberservices@aacu.org) for further information about application procedures and the many benefits—including CAN participation—available to AAC&U members.



*AAC&U Meeting*

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## CAN Member Benefits

CAN builds the capacity of campus and organizational partners to:



*CAN Member Hostos Community College*

- ★ Communicate effectively about the value of a liberal education in the twenty-first century with both on-campus and off-campus constituents
- ★ Evaluate how successfully they are delivering on the promise of a liberal education
- ★ Assess and improve efforts to ensure that all students are achieving the essential outcomes of an engaged and practical liberal education
- ★ Learn from colleagues at other institutions about promising practices that work

### Other Benefits Include:

- ★ **Campus Visibility**

CAN members receive invitations to showcase promising educational practices at AAC&U's Network for Academic Renewal Conferences, our Annual Meeting, in our publications, and on our award-winning Web site.

- ★ **Free LEAP Workshops**

At each Network for Academic Renewal conference AAC&U runs a special workshop for individuals from CAN member institutions. We invite conference registrants from CAN campuses as well as representatives from CAN campuses in the surrounding region to present and participate.

- ★ **LEAP Forums**

Each year at our Annual Meeting, AAC&U holds a special forum featuring institutions that are weaving LEAP principles and practices into their educational planning and programs. The forums showcase promising practices and explore how CAN members can take advantage of LEAP partnerships and resources.

- ★ **25 percent "Introductory" Discounts on Enrollments in AAC&U's Associates Program**

Contact [memberservices@aacu.org](mailto:memberservices@aacu.org) to learn more about AAC&U's Associates Program and how you can take advantage of this special discount.

- ★ **Select complimentary LEAP publications**

You will receive copies of foundational LEAP reports as well as the latest titles from our popular LEAP series, which includes resources on assessment, communicating LEAP goals to students and others, and more.



*CAN Member Lawrence University*