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Registration deadline is March 26, 2010.

Think Tank: Pushing the Boundaries of Higher Education

April 13, 2010
at the UVM Davis Center, Burlington VT
12:30- 4:30 pm

This 4 hour Institute will engage participants as innovative thinkers in a World Café Conversation to explore the changes higher education must undergo to educate students to be 21st century changemakers.

Together, participants will grapple with such questions as:

- What do students need to become public problem-solvers and innovators? What can we realistically provide?
- How might we reframe higher education for public action?
- In this ever-changing global and institutional climate, what strategies and innovations are pushing the boundaries of educational and institutional practice and helping shape higher education institutions of the future?
- How can faculty and staff develop students' critical problem-solving and civic leadership capacities?
- How should academic programs, majors, or disciplines be redefined to address current public challenges or considerations of the future?
- How can institutions surpass tinkering and fully embrace their vision to prepare global citizens and difference makers?

The World Café is a simple yet creative and powerful conversational process for thinking together, evoking collective intelligence, and creating actionable results around questions that matter. The Institute will be facilitated by Jonathan Isham, Associate Professor of Economics and Program in Environmental Studies, Middlebury College.

In addition to students from our institutions, distinguished contributors include: Elizabeth Coleman, President of Bennington College; George Mehaffy, Vice President for Academic Leadership and Change for the Association of State Colleges & Universities; and Nancy Thomas, Director, The Democracy Imperative and Senior Associate, Everyday Democracy.

Related Sessions on the Day of the Conference, April 14, Include:

- Achieving Institutional Vision: Are We There Yet?**
- Students as Colleagues**

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