



Article of the Month:

[Yes, College Is 'Worth It'](#) - It's time to retire skepticism around the value of a degree.

Higher Education News

[Will Graduate-Student Unions Change Everything?](#) -

Collective bargaining is already starting to alter the landscape of doctoral education.

[A Major Sports Settlement Is Poised to Cost Colleges Billions. How Would They Pay for It?](#) -

Hundreds of universities are hammering out a historic deal, the consequences of which could touch every part of campus.



[Is Higher Ed Growing or Shrinking?](#) - College closures make headlines, but nearly 23,000 new academic programs have been added over the past 2 decades.

[State Higher Ed Funding is Still Rising—for Now](#) -

Even as federal stimulus waned, lawmakers boosted support for public colleges in 2023, with an emphasis on financial aid. Can it make up for falling tuition revenue?

[Faculty, Staff Turnover Rates See Post-Pandemic Decline](#)

[Political Standoff Over Title IX Puts Red State Colleges in No-Win Situation](#) - Eight states, so far, say they'll defy the Biden administration and not comply with the new Title IX regulations. That would imperil nearly \$13B in federal aid for public universities in those states.



[The Next Update of the Carnegie Classification Will Be Its Biggest Yet](#) - A proposed revision, to go into effect in 2025, will label every college with its access and student outcomes, among other changes.

[Gaza Protests Are Coming for Commencement. Here's How Colleges Are Preparing.](#) - Institutions are moving locations, pulling graduation speakers, and even canceling campuswide ceremonies.

[Protests Magnify Concerns About Student Mental Health](#) - Data from digital mental health platforms for college students show an increased demand for counseling amid tensions stemming from the Israel-Hamas war.

[Will Academic Freedom and Campus Free Speech Survive?](#) - Faculty and free expression groups are sounding alarms about threatened limitations and crackdowns on professors' speech and student protests.



[Universities Face Misinformation Amid Pro-Palestinian Protests](#) - How, and if, universities should combat misinformation causes its own divisions.

[What Makes Current Divestment Demands Different](#) - Student appeals for colleges to stop investing in firms that support Israel's war effort are complicated by state laws, political risks and global market complexities.

[Colleges Eye Rule Changes in the Wake of Spring Protests](#) - Pro-Palestinian encampments and protests strained college policies this spring. As summer sets in, some are revising rules ahead of a potentially tumultuous fall.

[The Past Month Has Seen a Flurry of No-Confidence Votes in College Presidents](#) - The Israel-Hamas war has sparked many recent votes by faculty members, but it's not the only reason.

[A Last-Minute Sprint to the FAFSA Finish Line](#) - The U.S. Education Department is doling out \$50 million to help students complete the troubled federal aid form. Access advocates say it's not too late to make an impact—but time is of the essence.



[Universities try 3-year degrees to save students time, money](#) - As states explore shorter degrees, some faculty say they undercut students' education.

[Tuition discounts at private nonprofit colleges reach new highs, study finds](#) - The rate of tuition discounts rose to 56.1% for first-time, full-time students, according to the latest study from the National Association of College and University Business Officers.

[Undergraduate Enrollment Picks Up Steam](#) - Enrollment rose across regions and degree types this spring. But there's still a long road to post-pandemic recovery.



[Maryland becomes the third state to completely ban legacy preference in admissions](#) - New legislation will ban preferences for children of alumni or donors at all private and public colleges in the state.

[New ChatGPT Version Aiming at Higher Ed](#) - ChatGPT Edu, emerging after initial partnerships with several universities, is prompting both cautious optimism and worries. OpenAI said the artificial intelligence (AI) toolset could be used for an array of education applications, including tutoring, writing grant applications and reviewing résumés.



[Women and faculty of color in tenure-track jobs still face promotion hurdles, CUPA-HR finds](#) - A new report on faculty representation sheds light on the wide-ranging effects of pervasive inequities.

[New Analysis Finds Race-Conscious Admissions Didn't Close Equity Gaps](#) - Report finds diversity gains made at the most selective U.S. colleges and universities were "marginal" even with race-conscious admissions practices

[Researchers 'Shocked and Disappointed' After NSF Budget Cuts](#) - Despite the CHIPS and Science Act's authorization to double the National Science Foundation's budget by 2027, Congress reduced the agency's budget by 8% this year.



[The FAFSA Fiasco's Forgotten Students](#) - The botched rollout of the federal aid form has affected current students as much as incoming first-years. Some feel abandoned amidst the scramble to help applicants.

[In Massachusetts, a Push for Free Community College for All](#) - The first year of a program offering free college for those over 25 was a rousing success at boosting enrollment. Now, some legislators want to expand the program to all ages.



[Experts Predict Major AI Impacts in New Report](#) - Artificial intelligence (AI) will reshape student experiences, pedagogy and how people communicate, according to dozens of higher ed and tech experts.

Ivy+ News

[Harvard to Refrain From Statements on Political Issues](#) - Harvard will refrain from making statements on public policy issues not directly related to institutional functions.

[FAS receives gift to bolster arts, humanities, and strengthen financial aid](#) (Harvard) - \$20M gift will endow the inaugural Bae Family Dean of Arts and Humanities and support undergraduate financial aid.

[Brown University to create School of International and Public Affairs](#) - In a major step toward expanded research and teaching, the new school will extend Brown's commitment to advancing knowledge and preparing the next generation of global policymakers and leaders.

[Commencement Changes at Columbia and Emory](#) - Two more universities have changed their commencement ceremonies amid ongoing student protests.



[Summer brings wave of facility enhancements on Evanston campus](#) (Northwestern) - Scheduled projects affect academic mission, student experience, athletics and more.

Dartmouth News

[New Tuck-Geisel Master of Health Administration Program Takes Shape](#) - Katherine Milligan D'90, T'07, associate dean of Health Care Management Education at Dartmouth, shares progress on the new MHA and what makes the program distinct.

[Construction of Geo-Exchange System to Begin in June](#) - Dartmouth will invest more than \$500 million in climate-related capital improvements.



[Dartmouth College is investing \\$500M to become a sustainability leader. Will others follow?](#) - The Ivy League institution is overhauling infrastructure to improve efficiency. But there are other ways to lighten a campus's environmental impact.

[Tour the Reimagined Hop Today!](#) - Enjoy a virtual video tour of the Hopkins Center for the Arts expansion and renovation and see the dynamic spaces being created.

[Renovation to Collis Center Porch Starts Next Month](#) - The project will add accessible walkways and make needed structural repairs.



[Lone Pine Awards Celebrate Staff Excellence](#) - Seven employees recognized for their work across Dartmouth.



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F&A Professional Development Events

Check out HR's [Course Catalog](#) which lists numerous professional development opportunities, with courses available through **September**.

Coffee Break: Would You Rather

Friday, June 7, 9:00 - 9:30 - [Zoom](#)

As we get close to wrapping up the Fiscal Year, let's get together and learn more about each other with a fun, low pressure game of "Would you rather?".

CFO Coffee Break

Wednesday, June 12, 10:00 - 11:00 - [Here @ Dartmouth](#)

F&A Mini-Sessions will be paused over the fiscal year-end period and restart after July 15.





Employee Spotlight

Tim McKean

Department: Financial Systems and Services

Joined Dartmouth: January 2024



About Tim's Role:

My role is multi-faceted in that I will lead, support, and mentor a broad range of key projects for Finance, particularly those involving systems improvements, compliance, and organizational effectiveness. I also have the privilege of leading the Finance Information Systems and Services (FSS) Team. And finally, leading and enhancing the Finance Quality and Compliance Program.

Q&A with Tim

Have you ever won a contest?

Yes! When I was 8 years old, I participated in a football Pick-up contest from my local town newspaper. There were 15 games you had to pick. Local High School, College and all the Pro games. I picked 15 out of 15 correct and won a whopping \$25 and got my picture in the Newspaper! Which is huge for an eight-year-old.

Have you ever asked someone for their autograph?

Yes! I was at Pebble Beach Golf Club in California, just wandering the grounds in the evening, and suddenly, Jack Nicholas came walking out of the locker room right at me. It was only he and I, and we chatted ever so briefly, and he signed my Pebble Beach map! So awesome!

Favorite recent streaming show or movie?

"Oppenheimer" and "The Holdovers". Both are excellent.

What was your first job?

While in the 7th grade I officiated 4th, 5th, and 6th grade basketball. Parents were brutal!

Most used apps on your phone?

Amazon Music, My Hyundai Bluelink (starts my car remotely, critical in the winter!), and of course, YouTube.