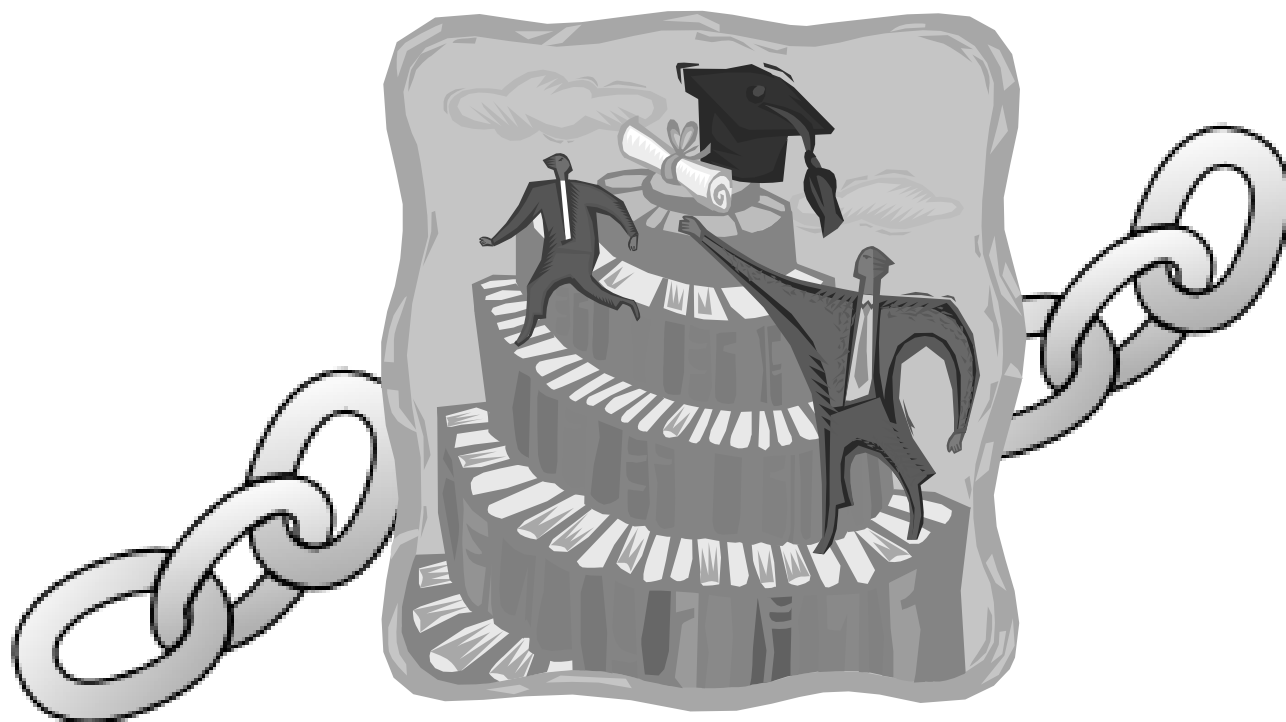


# Links and Loops: Student Success, Assessment, and Retention



February 23-24, 2012  
Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town  
Albuquerque, NM



The eighteenth annual New Mexico Higher Education Assessment and Retention (NMHEAR) Conference 2012 will be held February 23 and 24 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This conference is run by the **New Mexico Higher Education Assessment Association, Inc. (NMHEAA)**, a New Mexico non-profit corporation.

The NMHEAA is operated by officers and a board of directors. The annual conferences are planned and operated by a Conference Planning Committee that includes the officers of the NMHEAA and volunteers from various New Mexico institutions of higher education.

Each year NMHEAR invites special guest presenters, leaders in the fields of assessment and retention. The conference also features presentations from state, regional and national experts in assessment and retention strategies. This year's featured presenter, **Vincent Tinto, Distinguished University Professor at Syracuse University**, has carried out research and written extensively on higher education, particularly on student success and the impact of learning communities on student growth and attainment. His most recent book, *Leaving College*, published by the University of Chicago Press, lays out a theory and policy perspective on student success that is considered the benchmark by which work on these issues are judged. He has consulted widely with Federal and State agencies, with independent research firms, foundations, and with two- and four-year institutions of higher education on a broad range of higher educational issues, not the least of which is the issue of helping underserved students in higher education to succeed.

## Tentative Conference Schedule

### Thursday, February 23

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Conference Registration

#### 8:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Pre-Conference Workshops

- Workshop 1 “Promoting Student Success in College”  
Vincent Tinto, Distinguished University Professor, Syracuse University
- Workshop 2 “Identifying Key Performance Indicators: The Foundation of an Institutional Dashboard”  
Jeffrey Seybert, Director, National Higher Education Benchmarking Institute
- Workshop 3 “Learning Outcomes Logs: How Can We Know What They’ve Learned Unless We Ask Them?”  
Chris Burnham, Regents Professor of English, and Rebecca Powell, Graduate Student, New Mexico State University

#### Conference

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Luncheon and Keynote Speaker Vincent Tinto

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions  
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Reception

### Friday, February 24

7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Conference Registration  
6:45 a.m. – 7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast  
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Concurrent Sessions

#### 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Post-Conference Workshop

Workshop Annual Meeting of the New Mexico Association for Institutional Research and Planning

# New Mexico Higher Education Assessment and Retention Conference

## REGISTRATION

Please type or print. Duplicate form as needed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Department \_\_\_\_\_

Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone and E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Fees

(Check each event you will be attending.)

Check box if you are a presenter for the conference.

Pre-Conference Workshop	Conference	Post-Conference Workshop
Workshop # _____ (see previous page or website for abstracts www.nmsu.edu/NMHEAR)  <input type="checkbox"/> \$60.00	Includes: Luncheon on Thursday Sessions Thursday afternoon, Thursday evening reception and Friday sessions until noon  <input type="checkbox"/> \$85.00	Annual Meeting of the New Mexico Association for Institutional Research and Planning  <input type="checkbox"/> \$20.00

**Total Submitted** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration may be paid by check, purchase order, or credit card.

Credit Cardholder's name: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail to send invoice to: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to the NMHEAR. No refunds will be made after February 6, 2012.**

**Return registration form and fees to:**

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 575.562.2315; FAX 575.562.2244  
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# Scholarship Opportunity to attend Vincent Tinto's Pre-Conference Workshop

Pharos Resources has generously offered twenty \$60 scholarships to part-time faculty, new full-time faculty, and graduate students to attend Vincent Tinto's pre-conference workshop. These will be awarded on a first-come basis. If you are interested in one of these scholarships, please indicate below:

Yes, I am interested in receiving one of the twenty \$60 scholarships.

My status is:

Part-time Faculty

First or Second-Year Full-time Faculty

Graduate Student

## Conference Hotel

We are pleased to return to the **Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town** as the conference hotel this year. The **Hotel Albuquerque** is holding a limited number of rooms for NMHEAR conference participants until February 3, 2012. The conference rate is \$81 per night for single or double occupancy; all rooms are subject to 13% tax.

When making reservations, please be sure to mention that you are attending the **New Mexico Higher Education Assessment and Retention Conference**; otherwise, the hotel will not ensure the quoted group rate or guest room availability. After **Friday, February 4, 2011**, all rooms/suites not reserved with individual guest names and guarantees will be released to general inventory for sale. The Hotel will continue to accept reservations after Friday, February 3, 2012 on a space available and rate available basis only.

Conference participants should contact the hotel directly for room reservations.

**Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town**  
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Albuquerque, NM 87104  
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For additional conference information, contact

Susan Wood at 575.527.7711

Visit [www.nmsu.edu/NMHEAR/](http://www.nmsu.edu/NMHEAR/) for the most up-to-date information on the conference schedule.