CIC:

- Strengthens leadership of current presidents and their spouses through carefully structured opportunities for reflection and dialogue on mission and vocation.
- Prepares emerging leaders with the knowledge, skills, and experiences germane to the portfolio of responsibilities central to the work of a president.
- Offers an annual Institute for Senior Administrators (CAOs, CFOs, and CEOs) for learning how to intentionally collaborate in leading teams of colleagues in pursuit of institutional goals.
- Focuses on national priorities through institutes on diversity, civility, and the liberal arts in which participants develop realistic plans to enable their home campuses to strengthen diversity and civility on campus—inside and outside the classroom.
- Focuses on national priorities for student learning through a new initiative on active-learning in introductory courses in biology, chemistry, and physics.

WHO THEY ARE

The Council of Independent Colleges (CIC) is an association of nonprofit independent colleges and universities that has worked since 1956 to support college and university leadership; advance institutional excellence; and enhance public understanding of private higher education’s contributions to society.

WHAT THEY DO

CIC is the major national organization that focuses on providing services to leaders of independent colleges and universities as well as conferences, seminars, and other programs that help institutions to improve the quality of education, administrative and financial performance, and institutional visibility. CIC also provides support to state fundraising associations that organize programs and generate contributions for private colleges and universities.

CIC focuses its efforts on supporting college and university presidents and provosts in their efforts to advance their institutions through the annual Presidents Institute and the Institute for Chief Academic Officers. Programs for other campus leaders, including faculty members, department and division chairs, and mid-level staff aspiring to fill cabinet-level positions also are offered.

The creation and transformation of learning spaces on campus, including library spaces, laboratories, studios, and classrooms and the technologies that enhance them are of interest to CIC and its member institutions. Sessions on these ideas are offered at both Institutes periodically.

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