



Education and (Financial) Accessibility

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Description: Is college accessible to all? Is college worth it?

Estimated time: 1 hours

(1) Getting acquainted and comfortable

5 min.

Welcome

- Thank you for coming...
- We are a part of The Great Reset, which was born out of a shift we're seeing in our country. We have been in a place where we don't tend to speak 'beyond our bubbles' and across perspectives. The Great Reset has been opening up a grey space for such conversations since 2018. You are now part of keeping the conversation going and we thank you.

The Pillars of The Great Reset

- To share our own thoughts and perspectives with humility
- To learn from others and listen with respect

Ground Rules

- Every comment is valid and deserving of respect
- We show respect by speaking one at a time, putting our phones on silent and staying engaged, even when we are not speaking
- In the interest of time, I may cut in to ask you to 'top-line' something if we need to move on. This means simply offer up a synopsis of your thoughts and speak in bullets, not paragraphs

Confidentiality

I would like a verbal from everyone that you are here of your own volition and out of respect for one another I would ask you to keep what others say in this room unless they give you permission otherwise. (go around and get verbal agreement). Further, you agree to adhere to the principles outlined already: to deliver your perspectives bound to the principles of respect, to **listen with humility and offer grace to others who are sharing this space.**

Personal Introductions

Please share your name, where are you from and what is your year/major in school?

*****Remind everyone we're recording but we won't use any clips without their approval*****



(2) Accessibility

25 min.

- What does it mean for a country (or the world) to have an educated populous?
- Is college affordable for everyone?
 - Should it be?
- Is there a role for our federal government to make higher education more accessible?
Note: many public colleges in the EU and other countries provide a free college education.
 - What are the benefits or disadvantages to this?

(3) Expense and Value

25 min.

- Is college worth the cost?
- How do you feel about the possibility of debt forgiveness?
- What barriers do you see in your way as you look toward leaving college, and launching life?
 - Debt
 - Access to jobs
 - Other...

(4) Closing

5 min.

- If you had a bit of advice for your younger self, what would it be?