Friday, October 15

10:00-10:15 AM

Welcome and Opening

10:15-11:15

Session 1: Higher Aims in Higher Education

Beginning with an astronaut's perspective of Earth, our June convening drew our attention to the ways in which "distance" from our "old normal" has changed our worldviews and priorities. In our summer learning pods, we then considered how new student learning experiences might respond to the global and systemic issues that have become ever-more present in our lives.

In this session, we will "zoom back out" and hear from Deans and Presidents on how they are stepping into this Fall. How are they viewing this moment? What new perspectives are they bringing to their work? And how might the fundamental purpose(s) of their institutions be evolving?

Featuring:

Barbara Altmann, President, Franklin & Marshall College John Bravman, President, Bucknell University Miguel Quiñones, Dean, Robins School of Business, University of Richmond

*In conversation with:* 

**Mihir Desai,** Mizuho Financial Group Professor of Finance, Harvard Business School and Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

11:15-11:45

Session 2: What Did We Learn?

In our summer learning pods, we each explored how to teach one of five big topics. Looking across pods and topics, what themes emerged? As we moved from "inspirations" to a "5-day syllabus," how did our experiences in the pod reflect our experiences in our classrooms? What did we learn about how different worldviews drew boundaries around our conversations … or opened new possibilities?

11:45-12:15 PM

Break

12:15-1:45

Session 3: Beyond the Five-Day Syllabus Part One (12:15-1:00) and Part Two (1:00-1:45)

Here, we'll reflect with more specificity on pod outcomes by topic, share new conversations that are happening, and hear about new initiatives that have emerged.

- Planetary Health
- Capitalism & Democracy
- Racial and Economic Justice
- The Quest for Purpose

1:45-2:45

Session 4: Re-Podding

Small group conversations, in summer learning pods.

2:45-3:00

Impromptu Reflections and Closing