DEGREES OF INEQUALITY
INTERDISCIPLINARY INVESTIGATIONS

Education lies at the center of the American Dream. Many Americans believe it provides the foundation for success, but mobility from education may be more elusive than we believe.

This interdisciplinary series will explore how unequal resources, student debt, national and state education policies, and interactions between students, teachers, administrators and parents have created challenges in our education system.

DID YOU KNOW...?

Black students are expelled from high school three times more often than white students.

Women are 21% more likely than men to be college graduates, but make an average of $3 less an hour.

In 2014, New York spent $20,000 per student. Mississippi spent $8,000.
WHAT IS THE POINT OF EDUCATION?
Katie James, Kari Kozlowski, Tom O’Brien, Kimberly Goodwin, Julie White
Tuesday, September 19, 2017 | 4–5:30 p.m.
RC’s Lounge, Union

HOW IS EDUCATION UNEQUAL?
Katie James, Kari Kozlowski
Thursday, October 26, 2017 | 4–5:30 p.m.
Gonzales Auditorium, Liberal Arts Building

FOR WHOM IS EDUCATION WORTH IT?
Katie James, Kimberly Goodwin
Tuesday, November 28, 2017 | 4–5:30 p.m.
McDonnell Auditorium, Scianna Hall

HOW DOES INEQUALITY AT HOME AFFECT EDUCATION?
Kari Kozlowski
Monday, February 6, 2018 | 4–5:30 p.m.
Luckyday Foundation Room

HOW DO GOVERNMENT POLICIES AFFECT STUDENTS’ EDUCATION?
Tom O’Brien, Julie White
Tuesday, March 20, 2018 | 4–5:30 p.m.
Hattiesburg Cultural Arts Center

HOW DO WE IMPROVE STUDENTS’ EDUCATION?
Keynote Event: Hattiesburg Mayor Toby Barker
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 | 4–5:30 p.m.
Hattiesburg Train Depot

All presentations are free and open to the public, courtesy of the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies and the College of Arts and Letters.

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