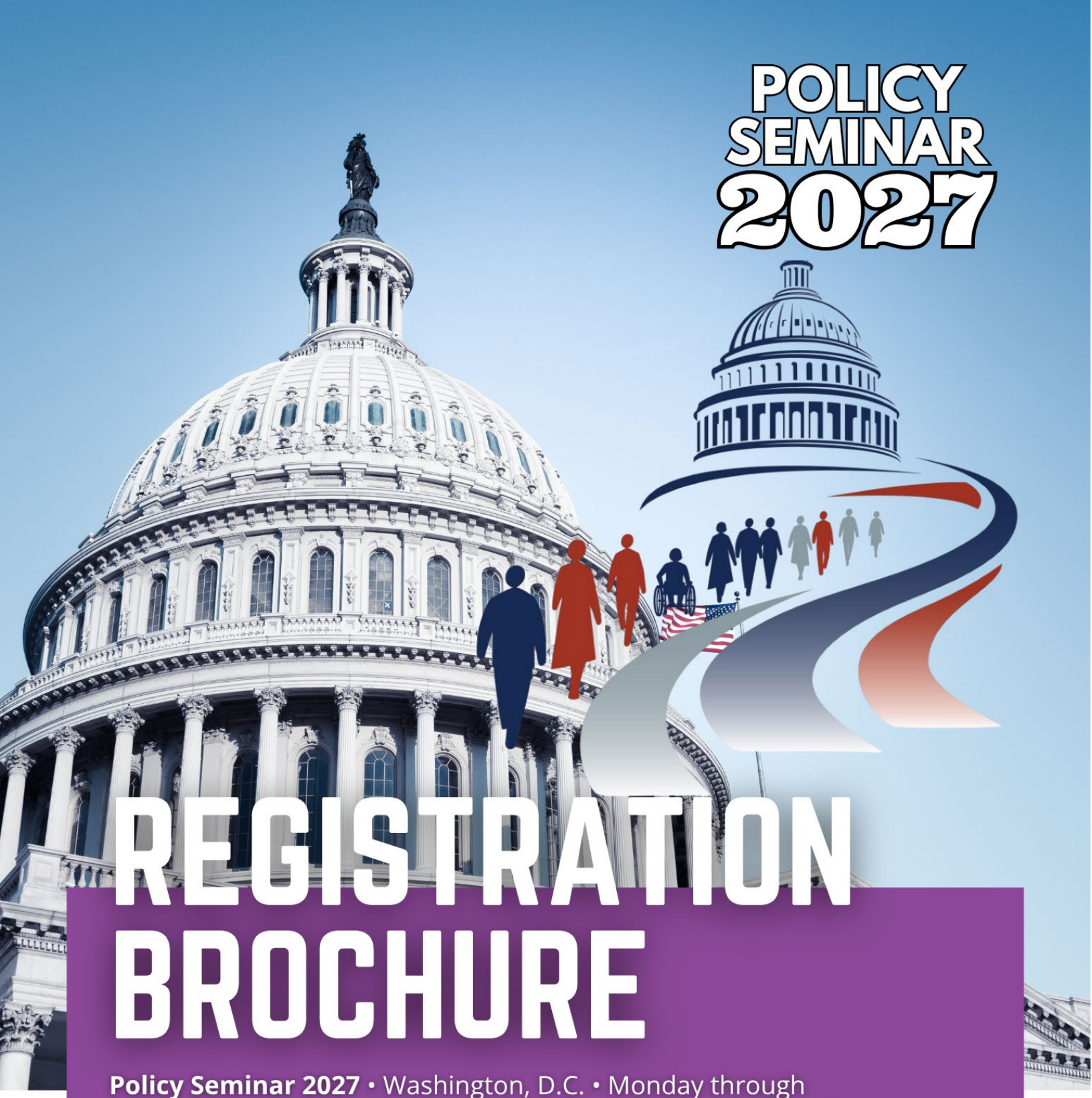


REGISTRATION BROCHURE

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Policy Seminar 2027

In January 2027, the 120th Session of Congress will begin, bringing more than 100 new lawmakers, a new majority, and a new legislative agenda. With Democrats controlling Congress and the Trump Administration continuing to shape federal education policy, the stakes for Federal TRIO Programs remain extraordinarily high. New leadership brings new opportunities—and it's our responsibility to sustain the strong bipartisan commitment to TRIO. As lawmakers debate competing demands, set spending priorities, and chart the nation's future, we must ensure that protecting and strengthening TRIO remains a top congressional priority. That's why the Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) is calling on all TRIO alumni from across the country to unite in Washington, D.C., under the theme "United to Lead: From Mission to Movement." This is our moment to turn a shared commitment into collective action.

Legislative Conference • Monday through Wednesday, March 8-10, 2027

COE works to expand college opportunities for low-income, first-generation students. The TRIO community must educate Congress on the history and impact of Federal TRIO programs. Conference participants will receive advocacy training to prepare for visits with their elected officials in Congress.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All congressional meetings will be held in person on Capitol Hill. If you have any questions, please contact **Peter Mills** at peter.mills@coenet.org or **Christian Bell** at christian.bell@coenet.org.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Monday, March 8, 2027

- 6:30–7:30 p.m.: Opening Session: "United to Lead: From Mission to Movement"
- 7:45–8:30 p.m.: Orientation for Hill Team Leaders

Tuesday, March 9, 2027

- 9:00–10:00 a.m.: Congressional Staff Panel
- 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.: Advocacy Skills Development (Interactive)
- 12:00–2:00 p.m.: Lunch on Your Own
- 2:00–3:00 p.m.: Member of Congress Address
- 3:00–4:00 p.m.: Capitol Hill Talking Points Overview
- 4:00–4:15 p.m.: Break
- 4:15–5:30 p.m.: State Team Meetings

Wednesday, March 10, 2027

- 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.: Congressional Visits
- 6:30–7:15 p.m.: Closing Plenary

Bring your TRIO alumni to the Legislative Conference! Alumni participation in this event will equip graduates with the skills needed to serve as TRIO advocates at the local, state, and national levels. COE staff are delighted to help TRIO directors provide fulfilling policy experiences for their students in Washington during school breaks. Students should *not* miss school to attend the Legislative Conference.

Hotel Information

Capital Hilton
1101 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Make hotel reservations here.

- Single/Double: $309 + taxes and fees, per night.

The cut-off date is **Tuesday, February 9, 2027**, or when the room block is full— whichever comes first. Make your reservation early!

Policy Seminar Registration Instructions and Deadlines

Refund Policy

If requested on or before **Sunday, February 28,** registration fees paid in advance are refundable (less a $250 processing fee). To request a refund, **you must email notice of your registration cancellation** to finance@coenet.org. COE will process refunds after the seminar ends.

Registration Booth

Saturday, March 6: 6:30–8:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 7: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Monday, March 8: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 9: 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Policy Seminar Registration Form

Early Bird Registration
Postmarked on or *before* **January 15, 2027**

TRIO Alumni Rate*
___ $250 Policy Seminar: Legislative Conf. ONLY **Register by form only.*

Total Amount Due: _____

FOR ALL REGISTRANTS
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Contact Information

FOR TRIO ALUMNI NOT EMPLOYED BY TRIO

Name: _____ E-mail (work): _____
TRIO Project and Institution Graduated From: _____
Current Employer: _____ Job Title: _____
Work Address Line 1: _____
Work Address Line 2: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
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