



## Northwood University to host free enterprise symposium

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Northwood University will host next week its annual Freedom Seminar -- a four-day symposium on the free enterprise system that explores current business and economic topics of interest to the academic and business communities.

The event begins Thursday, May 16, through Sunday, May 19, with a theme of "The Inclusive Economy: How to Bring Wealth to America's Poor." Each speaker will focus on the future of the American Dream and engaging all members in the economy.

"The seminar offers a unique active learning environment in which attendees will be learning from and interacting with internationally recognized leaders in industry, academia and government," said Dale Matcheck, professor of economics. "The unique discussions will showcase how the precepts of The Northwood Idea are applied to the problems of today."

Keynote speakers are Col. Allen West, a U.S. Army lieutenant colonel and a Republican member of the U.S. House of Representatives, and Michael Tanner, a senior fellow at the Cato Institute and author of many books and articles on economics and public policy. Ten additional business, academic and government leaders will complete the symposium with a variety of topics.

Keynote speeches are set for:

- Col. Allen West: "Defending America's Inclusive Opportunity Society: A Personal Testimony" Thursday, May 16, 7:30-9 p.m., Griswold Lecture Hall, Northwood University
- Michael Tanner - "The Inclusive Economy: How to Bring Wealth to America's Poor" Friday, May 17, 10 a.m.-11:45 a.m., Doan Building, Northwood University

For a complete list of speakers and schedule, please visit: [www.northwood.edu/events/freedom-seminar/](http://www.northwood.edu/events/freedom-seminar/)

The Freedom Seminar is sponsored by the McNair Center for the Advancement of Free Enterprise and Entrepreneurship at Northwood University. All events will be held at the Northwood University Campus, 4000 Whiting Drive in Midland and are free and open to the public.