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…I also subscribe to the view that the more information and the more disclosure we provide, the better we serve the student population. It seems that there are now some very good school-sponsored post graduate public interest fellowships made available by different schools. This is terrific and something to be proud of, especially if (1) the students in those programs are there because they want to pursue public interest careers, and (2) the participants are finding public interest employment after the 1-year fellowship ends. I just don’t understand why we wouldn’t want to disclose these programs or why disclosure is somehow hurtful to the programs.

Anything we do to make the disclosure less precise or revealing will increase suspicion by students and others and make the disclosures less useful to different groups of students, depending on their different interests and concerns. Less disclosure can also translate to less competition in areas of student support where that competition can benefit students. Finally, while it is hard to keep ranking considerations out of this discussion, it is impossible to predict how the ranking companies will react. I would not try to.

Thank you. DFL

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