



Who Gets In and Why: Inside College Admissions Jeff Selingo

Award-winning journalist and bestselling author of *Who Gets In and Why*, *There is Life After College*, and *College (Un)Bound*.

Andy Borst, Ph.D.

Director of Undergraduate Admissions at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

IN-PERSON EVENT!

Wednesday, November 30, 2022, 7:00 PM CT
Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Performing Arts Center
1 Stevenson Drive, Lincolnshire, IL 60069

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Award-winning journalist **Jeff Selingo** spent parts of 2018 and 2019 embedded at three different universities to get an inside look at the admissions process: University of Washington, Davidson College, and Emory University. He was trying to answer the central question millions of college-bound kids and their parents ask themselves every year: who gets in, and why? The answer, it turns out, is surprising, and has a lot more to do with the college or university’s needs than with what’s best for students.

In his 2020 best-selling book ***Who Gets In and Why***, named among the 100 Notable Books of the year by *The New York Times*, Selingo shares what he learned from months inside the college admission process. Most of us probably believe that this process is about merit, grades, and SAT scores, rewarding the best students, but Selingo presents a more complicated truth, showing that who gets in is more frequently about the college’s agenda than about the applicant. In a world where thousands of equally qualified students vie for a fixed number of spots at elite institutions, admissions officers often make split-second decisions based on a variety of factors—including whether a student will enroll if accepted.

Selingo has reported on higher education for more than two decades. His writing has appeared in *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, and *The Wall Street Journal*. He’s a special advisor for innovation and professor of practice at Arizona State University and has also served as visiting scholar at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Selingo will be in conversation with **Andy Borst, Ph.D., Director of Undergraduate Admissions at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**. He has over 20 years of experience in higher education working at multiple flagship universities, regional campuses, and liberal arts college. Dr. Borst is often cited in national news stories regarding admission practices and ethical considerations in enrollment. He recently chaired the Admissions Practices committee for the Illinois Association of College Admissions Counseling.

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