

# THOMAS HALVERSON

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## **RESEARCH AREAS**

*Education Policy*

*International & Comparative Education*

*Educational Leadership & Organizations*

## **SCHOLAR SNAPSHOT**

Dr. Halverson's research and teaching focus on three central areas: education policy and the politics of policymaking, international and comparative education, and organizational/leadership studies. Within the area of policy and policymaking he focuses predominantly on the pre-implementation phases of the policymaking process within state, national and international contexts. In the area of international and comparative education his work is centered on the methodological challenges of exploring systems, policies and practices outside the United States. In the areas of educational organizations and leadership studies he explores the development and evaluation of preparation programs for educational leaders.

As a senior researcher with the University of Washington's Center for the Study of Teaching and Policy, Dr. Halverson served as co-principal investigator on a national leadership study, funded by the Wallace Foundation, that focused on the roles, responsibilities and authority of school leaders and their impact on improving student learning and increasing equitable educational opportunities for all students.

His publications include "Investing for Equity in Instructional Improvement" in the book "Learning-Focused Leadership in Action: Improving Instruction in Schools and Districts" and "Exploring the Politics of Differential Resource Allocation: Implications for Policy Design and Leadership Practice" in the journal Leadership and Policy.

## **IN DEPTH**

Read Dr. Halverson's commentary on the need to re-think high school curriculum and offer more opportunities for robust career and technical education.

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