

## How Much Can You Learn for Free?: Open Online Learning Goes Big

*HarvardX fellow, Jonathan Haber, discusses his “Degree of Freedom” one-year BA project and the growing trend of open online learning in higher education.*

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*The New York Times* declared 2012 to be “The Year of the MOOC” as millions of students enrolled in massive open online courses (known as MOOCs). Three years later, what do we know about MOOCs and how are they changing the landscape of higher education?

Join us for a presentation and discussion with Jonathan Haber, a visiting fellow at HarvardX and a writer and researcher who has worked extensively in the field of education technology as he offers a compelling account of the MOOC phenomenon from the unique perspective of both researcher and student.

In 2013, Haber embarked on his own learning experiment to see if it was possible to learn the equivalent of a four-year liberal arts bachelor’s degree in just twelve months using only MOOCs and other forms of free learning. Haber will discuss his “Degree of Freedom” one-year BA project, and the book which followed, offering thoughtful commentary into the MOOC learning experience, how this educational innovation should be understood, and how participants might take advantage of these advances in teaching and learning to benefit their own educational goals.



Haber’s recently published book *MOOCs* is essential reading for anyone trying to sort out the competing claims, aspirations, and accusations that color the MOOC debate. Attendees can participate in a free raffle for a copy of his book, and additional copies will be available for sale on site.

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