## Pro-America Group Launches Non-Woke Learning Platform, Forum

Petr Svab writes in the <u>the platform</u> offers a discussion forum that will aid parents and students to discuss educational issues as well as organize their activities.

The platform marks itself as "pro-American," rejecting the woke political zeitgeist moving through academia that is based on quasi-Marxist ideas such as Critical Race Theory (CRT). The virtual courses are led by established lecturers from American universities and cover areas salient to the current cultural climate.

The project was started by Matthew Pohl, a former admissions officer at the University of Pennsylvania. He saw traditional colleges as needlessly expensive as well as intellectually skewed by woke ideology. He founded American Scholars as an antidote to both, he <u>authority on corporate socialism</u>, a convergence of government and business interest in establishing a kind of totalitarian, socialist rule.

So far, he's picked four lecturers to create courses for American Scholars. He's also personally working on one that will cover CRT.

The subscription will start at \$9 a month with the first several courses scheduled for release on September 10. The offerings should grow over time as the platform gains traction, Rectenwald told The Epoch Times via email.

He stressed the discussion forum is "an important piece" of the project, describing it as "a kind of non-leftist Reddit, if you will, where parents and other concerned citizens can discuss the challenges they face with K-12 and higher education, and where they can organize to fight back against Critical Race Theory, socialist indoctrination, and other pernicious ideologies."

## Morality Key to a Free Market

The first course on the platform is in economics and delves into the difference between free market and command economies. It was produced by Robin McCutcheon, associate professor of economics at Marshall University in West Virginia.

"The goal of my economics sessions is for students to selfreflect on what they see around them (in the world today) and decide for themselves how they would like to direct their own life," she told The Epoch Times via email.

McCutcheon joined American Scholars because she saw it offering