



# A CONVERSATION WITH JOHN WILLIAMS

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**ABOUT ENTREPRENEURSHIP, INNOVATION, AND ADVISING  
NONPROFITS AND MISSION-DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS**

HOSTED AND MODERATED BY CYBERLAW CLINIC MANAGING DIRECTOR CHRISTOPHER BAVITZ

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2013  
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, WCC 3019  
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED**

JOHN WILLIAMS IS A PARTNER IN THE BOSTON OFFICE OF THE BRIDGESPAN GROUP, A NONPROFIT ADVISOR AND RESOURCE FOR MISSION-DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS AND PHILANTHROPISTS. JOHN BEGAN HIS CAREER AT BAIN & CO. IN BOSTON AND WAS A SENIOR EXECUTIVE AT AMERICAN EXPRESS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. FOLLOWING AMERICAN EXPRESS, JOHN SERVED AS CEO OF A NUMBER OF TRAVEL- AND TRANSPORTATION-RELATED COMPANIES, INCLUDING A VENTURE-BACKED ONLINE TRAVEL START-UP; A PRIVATE JET CHARTER COMPANY; AND A WEB 2.0 VENTURE. JOHN HAS ALSO WORKED EXTENSIVELY IN THE EDUCATION SECTOR AND HAS A PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THE TRANSFORMATIVE USE OF TECHNOLOGY TO ENHANCE PEDAGOGY AND REDEFINE TRADITIONAL OPERATING MODELS IN HIGHER EDUCATION. HE IS A LIFE TRUSTEE OF AMHERST COLLEGE. JOHN GRADUATED MAGNA CUM LAUDE FROM AMHERST COLLEGE IN 1975 WITH A BA IN ECONOMICS. HE WENT ON TO RECEIVE BOTH A JD FROM HARVARD LAW SCHOOL AND MBA FROM HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL IN 1979.

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