

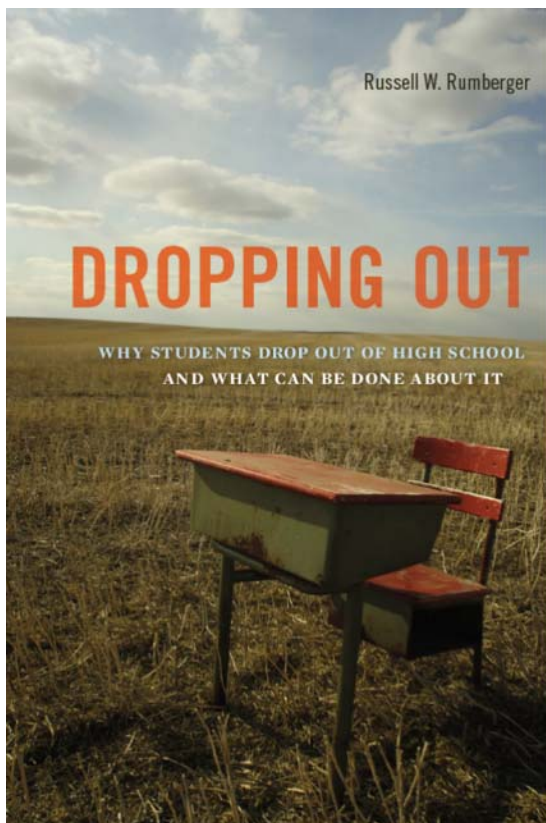
# Gevirtz Research Institute

## CORE LUNCH SERIES

(Conversations on Research in Education)

### Professor Russell Rumberger

UCSB Professor of Education, Gevirtz Graduate School of Education and University of California Vice Provost for Education Partnerships will discuss his recently published book:



### ***DROPPING OUT: WHY STUDENTS DROP OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL AND WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT IT***

(Harvard University Press)

The vast majority of kids in the developed world finish high school—but not in the United States. More than a million kids drop out every year, around 7,000 a day, and the numbers are rising.

Dropping Out offers a comprehensive overview by one of the country's leading experts, and provides answers to fundamental questions: Who drops out, and why? What happens to them when they do? How can we prevent at-risk kids from short-circuiting their futures?

Rumberger advocates targeting the most vulnerable students as far back as the early elementary grades. He argues that high schools must offer all students what they need to succeed in the workplace and independent adult life. A flexible and practical definition of achievement—one in which a high school education does not simply qualify you for more school—can make school make sense to young people. And maybe keep them there.

**Friday, January 20, 2012**

**12 – 1 pm**

**Gevirtz Dean's Board Room**

**Education 4108**

All members of the community are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to Carla Whitacre ([cwhitacre@education.ucsb.edu](mailto:cwhitacre@education.ucsb.edu)) by Monday, January 16