

Spring 2017 IASFAA Session Descriptions

DISCLAIMER: Due to the current climate at the Department of Education, please note the program agenda is subject to change up until the conference date. Anything in RED has the potential of being changed and sessions grouped together may change as a result. Potential back up sessions included at end of the program.

Interest Session Block One (Thursday)

SULA – Subsidized Usage Limit Applies

This session will outline institutional requirements for reporting to both the Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) system and to the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS), and will address how the Department monitors compliance with the 150% Direct Subsidized Loan Limit requirement. Information on the new 150% edits implemented in October 2016 will be reviewed. We will also discuss ways in which schools can counsel students who are approaching the 150% Direct Subsidized Loan borrowing limit.

The game of LIFE – Financial Literacy on Your Campus

You may be asking how to start a financial literacy program or, if you have a program, how other schools are engaging students and facilitating their programs. This session will share results from a regional school survey on financial literacy programs in the Midwest. A panel of school presenters will share their experiences and outcomes with their individual financial literacy efforts.

FA 101 – Where Do I Go?

Do you struggle helping students and their parents recover FSA IDs, utilize the DRT, or order tax transcripts? Come to this session for some practical advice. We will walk through the financial aid from the student's perspective, and offer some tips and tricks to make the process more user-friendly.

Interest Session Block Two (Thursday)

Professional Judgment (PJ)/Dependency Status/399 Panel Discussion

This session will discuss new issues associated with prior-prior year (PPY), such as 399s, professional judgments, and dependency overrides. Come hear what your peers are doing during this year of change!

Advanced Satisfactory Academic Progress

This advanced SAP session will provide in-depth information about SAP regulations to aid you in evaluating your school's SAP policy, while giving you the opportunity to discuss best practices.

FA 101 – Strong Spinners Only: Getting A Grip on Student Loan Forgiveness Programs

Get set, IASFAA! It's time to Come on Down! From the Stoney Creek Inn in Johnston, home of Iowa's favorite Financial Aid conference and the world's most awesome professionals, it's time to *Get a Grip on Student Loan Forgiveness Programs*. Maybe one of these federal or state options will help your students, if the price is right. Come spin the wheel with us to find out!

Interest Session Block Three (Friday)

TEACH Grant

Have you considered offering the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant at your institution? If your school already offers it, would a refresher on the TEACH program be helpful? In this session we will review the 'mechanics' of administering the TEACH Grant program, including institutional and student eligibility, awarding funds, counseling requirements, and the grant-tracking process.

Excel Basics

If you struggle with creating formulas, formatting and displaying data within Excel then this session is for you. Find out the tricks that will put time back into your day.

Reading Through the Lines: Completing Verification Using Federal Income Tax Return Transcripts

Gone are the days of using the easy to read Federal 1040 forms to complete the verification process. Though many students and parents utilize the IDRT, there are still some who must provide a copy of the federal income tax return transcript. This session will help to provide information on what lines of the federal income tax return transcript to use to complete the verification process and what information is acceptable in lieu of the federal income tax return transcript.

General Sessions

State Update

Hear the latest and greatest from our state officials during the State Update from ICSAC. You won't want to miss this session!

One on One with a Fed

ICAPS

This session will review the transition from the State of Iowa Scholarship and Grant reporting system to the Iowa College Aid Processing System, including information on how to access your 2017-2018 rosters.

Federal Update

Back Up Sessions

5 Must-Haves For Modern Financial Aid

Fact: Students are glued to their mobile devices. Fiction: Financial Aid isn't mobile. Rather than waiting for students to look up from their gadgets, Financial Aid Offices need to get in front of them where they live: their phones. Modern Financial Aid is the solution. In this interactive session you'll experience first-hand how paperless file review, automated student follow-up including SMS/text-messaging and email, and automated file indexing and imaging can change your institution's entire approach to financial aid. Hear about the dramatic impact personalized mobile-optimized web-form wizards, automated updates, e-signature, and secure document upload from any device will have on your student experience.