



2025 Annual Meeting Call for Proposals

Info Session

HOUSEKEEPING



- ▶ Attendees may use their camera and/or microphone to interact with presenters and ask questions
 - Please remain on mute if you are not speaking



- ▶ Questions may also be submitted through the chat



- ▶ A recording of this conversation and other details will be emailed to all registrants no later than Friday, August 23rd

TIMELINE

- ▶ Call for proposals is open August 6 – October 31, 2024
- ▶ Speakers will be notified no later than Friday, November 22, 2024
- ▶ Organizing calls will happen in January-February 2025
- ▶ Final materials will be due April 7, 2025
- ▶ Annual Meeting takes place April 23-25, 2025 in Reno, NV

THEME: *Stronger Together*

▶ How does your institution collaborate with partners?

- How do you work with K-12?
- How do you work with workforce partners?
- How do you work with legislators?
- How do you partner with other institutions of higher education?

▶ Focus on actionable solutions.

- How can your project or presentation include a 'call to action?'
- Can your partnership or presentation act as a model?

SESSION TYPES

- ▶ **Lightning Sessions (15m)**
 - Quick-fire ideas, case studies, or tips and tricks
- ▶ **40m Interactive Presentation with Q&A (50m)**
 - Delve into subject matter, practical demonstrations, or thought-provoking discussion with the audience.
- ▶ **40m Panel Discussions with Q&A**
 - Invite fellow experts to join you on a panel to explore key themes, challenges, and opportunities.
 - Don't have a panel of experts? Indicate your interest in being assigned to a panel by WICHE staff.
- ▶ **Problem-solving Roundtables (50m)**
 - Assign a case study to your breakout session that allows your attendees to do hands-on problem-solving. Facilitate their discussion and invite participants to dive into the nitty-gritty of a real-world scenario. Your case study may be resolved or unresolved at the time that you present it.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- ▶ Interactive and Practical Approach
- ▶ Clear Learning Objectives
- ▶ Participant Experience
- ▶ Expertise of Presenters
- ▶ Relevance to Audience
- ▶ Duration and Logistics
- ▶ Evaluation and Feedback

SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL

Partnerships: Stronger Together

Submission Deadline: October 31, 2024

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education's (WICHE) Academic Partnerships unit is excited to invite you to join us in Reno, Nevada, from April 23-25, 2025 for the 2025 Joint Annual Meeting of the Forum and the Alliance.

In a time where collaboration drives innovation and progress, the theme of this meeting will be *"Partnerships: Stronger Together"* and will bring together higher education leaders to explore the transformative power of strategic partnerships both within and beyond our institutions. This dynamic event will explore how educational institutions can forge impactful partnerships to enhance their programs, expand research opportunities, and foster community engagement.

We invite higher education leaders, researchers, and professionals to submit proposals for presentations, workshops, and panel discussions that align with the themes and objectives of the conference.

[READ THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS](#)

[SUBMIT A PROPOSAL](#)

Want to learn more?

Join WICHE staff for a [30m presentation](#) of the theme, focuses, session types, and selection criteria for this year's meeting. There will be time for questions and answers, and the session will be recorded for all registrants.

August 21, 2024, 3:00-3:30 pm MDT

[REGISTER FOR INFO SESSION](#)

FAQ

- ▶ **Do I have to pay a registration fee if I am a presenter?**
 - Yes, you will need to pay to register as an attendee; however, presenters are given a discounted registration rate. Please wait until you are notified about your proposal to register for the conference.
- ▶ **Does my institution have to be a Forum or Alliance member for me to submit a proposal?**
 - No, we accept proposals from non-member institutions and organizations.
- ▶ **Who are the intended audience for these presentations?**
 - The Forum and Alliance are comprised of Chief Academic Officers from institutions across the West. While our primary audience are CAOs, we strive to build bridges across senior leadership at institutions and identify ways that cross-institutional teams can come together to work on campus-wide issues.
- ▶ **Who is on the selection committee?**
 - The vice chairs of our executive committees are responsible for forming a working group comprised of executive committee members who form the selection committee. WICHE staff provide oversight.
- ▶ **Do you accept multiple proposals from an institution?**
 - Yes; however, we strive to balance representation across our membership.

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Academic Partnerships

ANNUAL MEETING

April 23-25, 2025 • Reno, NV



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The **Western Alliance of Community College Academic Leaders (Alliance)** is a membership organization that serves as an incubator for collaborating and problem-solving among chief academic officers (or equivalent) at WICHE-region community colleges and technical schools, related systems, and state coordinating and governing boards.

The **Western Academic Leadership Forum (Forum)** is a membership organization that serves as a collaborative network to exchange ideas and information, share resources and expertise among provosts, academic vice presidents, chief executives, and chief academic officers at WICHE-region public and private doctoral, master's, and bachelor's level institutions and related systems offices and state agencies.



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