
Agenda

- 8:30-9:00am **Social Time**
Location: 9000 Building (Student Union), Main Dining Room
Light breakfast will be served. Mingle with fellow AWISAns!
- 9:00-9:20am **Welcome, Overview and Announcements**
Location: 9000 Building (Student Union), Main Dining Room
Presenter(s): Diana L. Sampson, Executive Director of International Education, Shoreline Community College. Ms. Sampson is also chair of the Northwest International Education Association (NIEA).
- 9:20-9:30am **Break—travel to sessions**
- 9:30-10:10am
40 min. **Session A: Advisor to Advisor**
Presenter: Catherine Creason, South Seattle College
Location: Room 9208 - “Quiet Dining Room”
Description: Regbud and Region 1 updates. This session gives AWISA members the opportunity to ask questions and learn from each other.
- 10:10-10:20am **Break—travel to sessions**
- 10:20-11:00am
40 min. **Session B: SEVP selected topics**
Presenter(s): Jon Dietzen, SEVP Field Representative
Location: Room 9208 - “Quiet Dining Room”
Description: Southern Washington’s SEVP Field Representative will present on a number of preselected topics.
- 11:00-11:10am **Break—travel to sessions**
- 11:10-12:00pm
50 min. **Concurrent Session C**
Academic and F-1 Advising: How to Divide the Caseload
Presenter(s): Adam Beals, Green River College; Mim Phillips, Green River College; Ginger Villanueva, Shoreline CC
Location: Room 1102
Description: Discussion on how colleges divide advising caseloads and how that works, particularly for schools that do academic advising as well as immigration advising. Ginger from Shoreline CC and Adam and Mim from Green River College will share advising models and facilitate a discussion on best advising practices.
- NAFSA’s International Education Core Competencies**
Presenter(s): Bradley Huggins, Bellevue College; Chanda Chen, UW Seattle
Location: Room 1104
Description: Bradley and Chanda presented this session at last year’s regional NAFSA conference. It will include a discussion on the professional knowledge, skills, and abilities expected of international education professionals working in the United States, regardless of their area of specialization or role within the field.

12:00-1:00pm

Lunch sponsored by Firebird International Insurance Group

Off-site lunch options available at the check-in table for those who did not RSVP

Location: Room 9208 - “Quiet Dining Room” and surrounding areas

1:00-1:50pm
50 min.

Concurrent Session D

Shoreline Nature Walk

Presenter(s): Matt Loper and Adria Magrath, Biology SCC faculty

Location: Meet at fountain outside 9000 Building

Description: Discover the trees and plants that grace our beautifully landscaped campus and surrounding forests. Learn interesting facts about our native and specimen plants in this 45-minute walking tour led by a Biology Faculty member. Come walk off your lunch with colleagues and learn something new on the way!

International Orientation Panel

Presenter(s): Ellen Lambert, Green River College; Andaiye Qaasim, Green River College; Heather Jacobson, PLU; Laura Belle Douglas, UW Tacoma

Location: Room 1102

Description: Discussion on the systems, processes, registration of international student orientations as well as student development and student engagement component of orientation. Panelists will present examples of their institutions’ Peer Volunteer Program and Peer to Peer Mentor program and facilitate discussion on a number of topics related to orientation.

International Credentials

Presenter(s): Sara Alstrom, UW Tacoma

Location: Room 1104

Description: Sara is the International Credentials Specialist at UW Tacoma and will present on the basics of international credential evaluations with both secondary and tertiary perspectives.

1:50-2:00pm

Break—travel to sessions

2:00-2:30pm
30 min.

Concurrent Session E: AWISA & Study WA Roundtable Discussions

AWISA Discussion

Room Facilitators: Laura Belle Douglas, UW Tacoma; Eric Bonham, UW IELP; Annemarie Martin, UW Tacoma;

Location: Room 9208 - “Quiet Dining Room”

Description: This is an opportunity for AWISA members to discuss important topics related to the leadership, organization, budget, etc. of AWISA. Please come and join in these important discussions!

Study WA Discussion

Room Facilitators: Kyle Brown, CityU Seattle

Location: Room 1104

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2:30-3:00pm
30 min.

AWISA Business Meeting

Presenter(s): Laura Belle Douglas, UW Tacoma; Eric Bonham, UW IELP; Annemarie Martin, UW Tacoma

Location: Room 9208 - “Quiet Dining Room”

Agenda items: Introduction of New Members, Electing New Secretary and Treasurer, NAFSA On Demand Update, Best of AWISA, Your Items, Position Announcements

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