
Agenda

- 8:30-9:00 am
30 min
Social Time
Location: Woodway (WWY) 202
Light refreshments sponsored by AWISA will be served. Mingle with fellow AWISAns!
- 9:00-3:00 pm
All day
J-1 Training Workshop
Trainer: Ursula Owen, University of Washington
Location: Snohomish (SNH) 337
Description: This workshop is only for participants who registered and paid through the NAFSA website.
- 9:00-9:30 am
30 min
Welcome, Overview and Announcements
Location: Woodway (WWY) 202
Remarks: Lisa Thompson, Executive Director - International Student Services
- 9:30:-9:40 am
Break & travel to sessions
- 9:40-10:35 am
55 min
Session A
"Are You Talkin" To Me?"
Presenters: Elizabeth Lyon, Edmonds Community College
Location: Woodway (WWY) 202
Description: An interactive and lively discussion about communicating with international students. Bring your ideas, tips, strategies and examples of clear (and not so clear) communication you have used.
- Mental Health and International Students: Research, Perspectives, and Innovations**
Presenters: Megan Weekley, Morneau Shepell & Laura Caferro, LewerMark Student Insurance
Location: Snohomish (SNH) 338
Description: Studying in another country is an exciting life experience. However, being away from home, learning to navigate a new culture, language, and campus can be stressful, and may lead to the development of mental health and wellbeing issues in international students. In this interactive session we will gain perspective on the international student experience and understand the gaps in the provision of personal and emotional support for international students. We will also articulate the value of providing mental health support which may include using innovative tools and driving usage of existing on-campus resources.
- 10:35-10:45 am
Break & travel to sessions
- 10:45-11:45 am
1 hour
Session B with SEVP
Discussion with SEVP
Presenter(s): Stephanie Garrard, SEVP Field Rep
Location: Woodway (WWY) 202
Description: Updates from SEVP.

- 11:40-11:45 am **Break & travel to Lunch** - You can walk (10-12 minutes) or drive your car to Gateway Hall for lunch and the afternoon sessions. Follow 68th Ave W towards 196th St SW, take a right before the stop light and park in front of Gateway Hall. You may also refer to the campus map.
- 11:45 -12:15 pm **Lunch sponsored by Lewermark**
30 min **Location:** Gateway (GWY) 352
- 12:15-1:00 pm **AWISA Business Meeting - New Leadership Team Voting**
45 min **Presenter(s):** Jenna Thomas, Sancha Elevado, and Emily Bernet
Location: Gateway (GWY) 352
Description: Voting for a new Treasurer and Secretary/Chair-Elect and announcements from members.
- 1:00-1:10 pm **Break & travel to sessions**
- 1:10-2:05 pm **Session C**
55 min
- Fueling International Recruitment with Social Influencers**
Presenter(s): Syed Jamal, Branta
Location: Gateway (GWY) 204
Description: Just as currency allows for the trading of goods and services, social currency enables social media to trade international recruitment goals. Learn about the new concept of social currency enabled by social influencers and learn how to use it for high-level student recruitment and engagement. This interactive session will include case studies of social influencers to showcase how they can be used for international recruitment.
- Yes We Can! ... Switch Student Orientations to a Hybrid/Online Format**
Presenter(s): Lisa Jacobson & Heather Mueller - Cascadia College
Location: Gateway (GWY) 352
Description: Learn about the benefits and difficulties of switching to an online orientation model and get detailed information to help you create a hybrid/online orientation at your own campus!
- 2:05-2:10 pm **Break & travel to sessions**
- 2:10-3:05 pm **Round Table Session**
55 min **Location:** Gateway (GWY) 352
Led by: AWISA Team
- AWISA after-conference gathering:**
- 3:15-5:15 pm **LewerMark** is sponsoring drink and bites to continue networking and fun after the conference
Location: The Rock Wood Fire Pizza
4010 196th St SW, Lynnwood, WA 98036

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