



ASCA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

February 11 - 14, 2026

Washington, DC

Pre-Conference Session Abstracts

Full Day Sessions



8:30AM-4:30PM

Law & Policy Foundations for Student Conduct Professionals

Presented by: Tom Hardiman, North Carolina State University

This full-day session is designed to provide a foundational understanding of relevant law and policy for student conduct educators. Participants will then use this knowledge to analyze their own institutional policies. Topics for this session include a review of Constitutional law, understanding law and case law citations, the minimum requirements for due process and fundamental fairness, FERPA, the First Amendment, the Drug Free Schools and Community Act, the Clery Act, Title IX, and Title VI.

Student Conduct in the Era of GenAI: Risks, Realities, and Responsibilities

Presented by: Jill Childress, Linn-Benton Community College; Alyssa Reddy, Christopher Newport University; Michael Fernbacher, University of Delaware; and James Bond, University of Maryland

Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) is transforming student conduct, student learning, and well-being. This pre-conference program provides a deep dive into the risks and challenges of GenAI, offering strategies for ethical policy development and effective case resolution practices in student conduct work. Join us to learn how to lead campus-wide conversations, foster key partnerships, and implement best practices for student conduct in a rapidly changing landscape.

Title IX Coordinator Pathway - Level 1 Certification

Presented by: Kristi Patrickus, J.D., Patrickus Consulting; Michael Fazi, Vanderbilt University; Jessica Galanos, Bricker Graydon LLP

The Level 1 Title IX Coordinator Pathway is part of ASCA's new Title IX certificate program. Registration for this session not only includes a full-day Pre-Con of interactive training, but also asynchronous modules and customized concurrent session programming.

This pathway focuses on the core functions of a Title IX Coordinator that you need now, including: how to evaluate incoming reports, managing live hearings, and implementing supportive measures. Additionally, the pathway will provide in-depth, practiced-based strategies that cover every stage of a Title IX and non-Title IX Sexual Misconduct case.

Attendees who complete all portions of this Pre-Conference Session will receive a Level 1 Title IX Coordinator Certificate. More information will be provided after registering.



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Half Day Morning Sessions



8:30AM–Noon

Supervising with Intention: Restorative Tools for Culture, Trust, and Accountability

Presented by: Danielle Woody, Towson University; and Dr. Alison Peer, Towson University

This session explores restorative supervision, an approach rooted in trust, open communication, and collaborative decision-making. Blending restorative practices with real-world supervision, we'll tackle burnout, conflict, and equity challenges. Participants will gain practical, relationship-centered strategies to shift from top-down management to a culture of empowerment, accountability, and resilience, fostering inclusive, reflective teams that align with the values we expect from our student conduct work.

ChatGPT, Cheating, and Challenges: Rethinking Academic Integrity

Presented by: Kyrsti Wyatt, Louisiana State University

AI is reshaping classrooms and academic integrity. This interactive session dives into cases of AI misconduct, offering hands-on strategies to investigate concerns, set clear expectations, and craft equitable policies. Attendees will leave with practical tools and fresh perspectives to transform AI from a challenge into an opportunity for student learning and ethical growth.

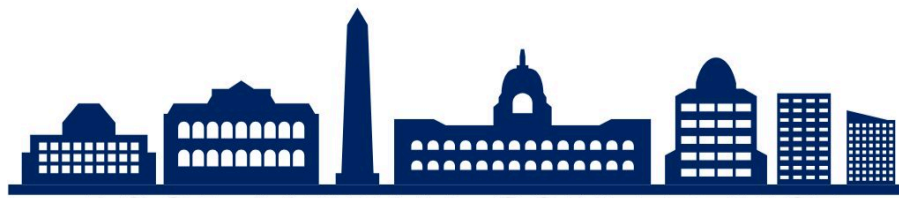
Half Day Afternoon Sessions



1:00pm–4:30PM

What Keeps your Vice President up at Night - and why you need to know **Presented by: Scott Lewis, TNG Consulting; and Matthew Gregory, Texas Tech University**

What keeps leaders awake at night could change the course of student affairs tomorrow. Laws, regulations, executive orders, and investigations are reshaping higher education in real time. This session unpacks the issues that keep your leaders awake at night, explains why they matter to you, and shows how awareness can turn uncertainty into strategic advantage.



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From Policy to Practice: Integrating Academic Misconduct to the Code **Presented by: Devin Parra, Florida International University; and Patricia Santana-Leyva, Florida International University**

Is your campus planning to incorporate academic misconduct to your Code of Conduct? This program will provide an overview of how academic misconduct was transitioned into a traditional behavioral misconduct office over six years ago. Presenters will provide insight into policy development, investigatory practices, and how to navigate potential challenges.

Navigating Fraternity & Sorority Misconduct

Presented by: Christina Parle, CP Education & Consulting; Dr. Stephanie M. Wright, Community College of Baltimore County; and Dr. Maleta Wilson, California State, Chico

Navigating sorority and fraternity misconduct is complex and recent federal legislation is calling on our profession to do more in addressing organizational misconduct. This program will address commonly asked questions about the process from initial report through determining a chapter action plan. We will cover informed practices for successfully adjudicating fraternal misconduct and engaging partners both internal and external.