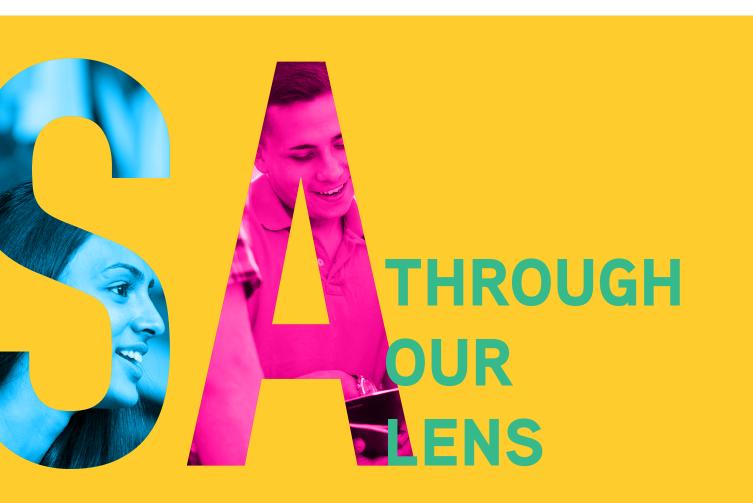
The State University of New York Student Assembly Fall Conference



NOVEMBER 15-17, 2019

Hilton, Albany 40 Lodge St Albany, NY 12207







SUNY Student Leaders:

Dear Student Assembly Delegates:

We are so excited to welcome you to our state capital for the 2019 Fall Student Assembly Conference. You are joined by more than 450 student leaders, representing nearly all of SUNY's 64 campuses, hailing from every corner of New York State. This conference will be the largest gathering of SUNY student leaders in history.

Throughout the weekend, you will have the opportunity to hear from thought leaders at the local, state, and federal levels. You will participate in plenaries and workshops, networking sessions and caucuses. You will meet students from various backgrounds, ranging in age from 16 to 60, from urban areas and rural, who come to us from all around the world. The diversity of the SUNY system will be on full display throughout the conference.

It is that diversity, and the value it holds to students across the system, that led us to this conference's theme "through our lens." Each student looks at the issues facing our world through their own unique lens, informed by their experiences in life, and their set of values. We also, collectively hold a unique lens as students on the issues facing our campuses and communities.

Throughout the weekend, we hope to give delegates the opportunity to share their personal lens on key issues and areas of discussion, and through that to develop our shared lens on student priorities. Towards that end, at the business meeting we will consider the 2020 Student Assembly Advocacy Agenda, which outlines the policy and legislative action students need in the year to come.

Over the course of the conference, we will have the honor of hearing from some remarkable speakers, including SUNY Chancellor Kristina Johnson, and Congressman Paul Tonko. Please take the opportunity to ask them questions, and to take what you learn from their addresses back to your campus.

We also encourage you to take every opportunity throughout the conference to meet new people, and to form relationships with delegates from across the system. As important as the structured aspects of the conference are, the unstructured time as just as key to the conference experience.

Do not be afraid to step out of your comfort zone- to explore new interests, ask tough questions, and share advice. And please also do not hesitate to meet and say hi to us, we hope to get the chance to speak with as many of you as possible throughout the weekend. Our larger Student Assembly Executive Committee is a great resource as well for anything you may need throughout the conference.

We look forward to sharing this experience with each of you.

Sincerely,

Austin Ostro

President, SUNY Student Assembly

Kate Wood

Vice President, SUNY Student Assembly

SUNY STUDENT ASSEMBLY FALL CONFERENCE

OVERVIEW NOVEMBER 15-17, 2019

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, 2019

1:30 PM- 4:30 PM REGISTRATION

Gallery

4:30 PM- 5:15 PM MEET THE STUDENT

ASSEMBLY EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE *Chambers*

5:30 PM- 7:30 PM OPENING PLENARY & DINNER

Governor AB

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DR. KRISTINA JOHNSON CHANCELLOR,

STATE UNIVERSITY OF

NEW YORK

7:45 PM- 8:45 PM PANEL: DEMANDING A SEAT AT

THE TABLE:

EMPOWERED WOMEN IN THE SUNY SYSTEM

Governor AB

WORKSHOPS

Kelsey's, Governor C, Governor D

9:00 PM- 10:00 PM NETWORKING SESSION

VICE PRESIDENTS/ TREASURERS

Governor C

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Kelsey

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EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

RECEPTION*
Chambers
*By Invitation

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2019

7:45 AM- 9:00 AM MORNING PLENARY &

BREAKFAST

Governor AB

9:10AM - 12:00PM WORKSHOPS,

ALL DELEGATES

Governor C,D, Chambers, Kelsey's &

Hudson Ballroom

12:00PM - 2:00PM AFTERNOON PLENARY & LUNCH

Governor AB

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STATE OF THE ASSEMBLY

2:00 PM- 5:00 PM BUSINESS MEETING,

ALL VOTING DELEGATES

Hudson Ballroom

WORKSHOPS,

ALL NON-VOTING DELEGATESGovernor C, D, Kelsey's & Chambers

Advisor Meeting- Anteroom

5:15 PM- 7:30 PM DINNER & KEYNOTE SESSION

Governor AB

7:45 PM- 8:45 PM CAUCUS MEETINGS, MANDATORY

FOR ALL DELEGATES

COMPREHENSIVE COLLEGES

Governor C

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Kelsey's

DOCTORAL GRANTING

INSTITUTIONS *Governor D*

AGRICULTURAL, TECHNICAL AND

STATUTORY COLLEGES

Chambers

6:00PM - 7:40PM DINNER AND KEYNOTE SESSION

Governor AB

9:00PM - 9:45PM STUDENT GOVERNMENT

PRESIDENTS MEETING

Kelsey's

10:00PM - 1:00AM PRESIDENT'S GALA

Hudson Ballroom

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2019

9:00 AM- 11:00 AM SUNY'S GOT YOUR BACK

Gallery

11:00 AM DEPARTURE

FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH 2019

1:30 PM- 4:30 PM REGISTRATION > Gallery

Each delegation should send one representative to the registration table, set up in the Gallery on the Event Level (one flight down from the lobby). There you will receive nametags, voting placards and other conference materials. After registering, you can check into the hotel. Please plan to arrive no later than 4:30 PM as our program commences at 5:00 PM.

4:30 PM- 5:15 PM MEET THE EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE > Chambers

This will be a casual networking session for delegates with members of the Student Assembly Executive Committee. Make sure to stop by to meet student leaders who serve in key operational and policy roles for the Student Assembly.

5:30 PM- 7:30 PM OPENING PLENARY & DINNER

> Governor AB

Fall Conference will officially commence with our opening plenary. The leaders of the Student Assembly will welcome delegates to the conference, as will SUNY Trustee Eunice Lewin. Delegates will then get dinner and be seated for our keynote presentation from Chancellor Johnson. The Chancellor will be interviewed by Student Assembly President Austin Ostro. Q +A will follow the interview.



DR. KRISTINA M. JOHNSON

Dr. Kristina M. Johnson serves as the 13th Chancellor of the State University of New York. She joined SUNY in 2017, making it the next step in her lucrative career as an engineer, business executive and academic leader. Prior to joining SUNY, Chancellor Johnson served as the Undersecretary of

Energy for President Barack Obama. She has brought a strong vision to SUNY and is committed to developing a sustainable, diverse future for our system. Her long history in academics gives her an unparalleled understanding of the importance of higher education in today's society.

7:45 PM- 8:45 PM PANEL: DEMANDING A SEAT AT THE TABLE: EMPOWERED WOMEN IN THE SUNY SYSTEM > Governor AB

WORKSHOPS > Governor C, D and Kelsey's

Delegates have the choice of attending a panel facilitated by Vice President Kate Wood with several female SUNY campus presidents, or three workshops happening concurrently.



DR. MARION TERENZIO

President Marion A. Terenzio is the President at SUNY Cobleskill. She is the first woman to permanently hold that office. Prior to this appointment, Dr. Terenzio was Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty at Bloomfield College in New Jersey, and professor at The Sage Colleges in New York,

where she also served as Vice President for Campus Life. Under her leadership, Bloomfield College became a nationally recognized minority-serving institution, where she and faculty reimagined the preparation necessary to succeed in college coursework. She has received numerous awards for her work emphasizing the critical role of higher education as a partner and economic driver in communities. Dr. Terenzio has served on national, regional and state association boards, councils and task forces, and presented and published on the effective role of the arts in community wellbeing and economic revitalization.



DR. BARBARA JEAN MORRIS

President Barbara Jean Morris is the President at SUNY Oneonta. She came to SUNY Oneonta from her position as provost and vice president for academic affairs at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. Prior to her position at Fort Lewis, President Morris served 16 years

at University of Redlands in southern California, where she held many leadership roles and rose to the position of dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Her co-authored manuscript, "Recreating the Circle," is a "collective undertaking by Indian people and their allies that focuses on American Indian and Alaska native self-determination." Her most recent research focuses on women and politics, tribal governments and the presidency. Her co-authored article "Faith and Sex: Presidents under Pressure: Electoral Coalitions and Strategic Presidents" looks at the Executive Office of the President and women's and religious interest groups.

WORKSHOP: PROMOTING ACCEPTANCE THROUGH INCLUSIVE LEADERSHIP > Governor D

Presented by: Emma Vanderwerken, Chair of Disability Service, SUNY Student Assembly

Inclusive leaders are people-oriented, great listeners, able to tap into the talents and motivations of their teams. They are patient, understanding, soft-spoken, and genuinely interested in others. This session will explore inclusive leadership, which is key to growing and engaging student groups. The skills necessary to practice inclusive leadership and further each student's understanding of the importance of diversity within the workplace will be discussed.

WORKSHOP: SYSTEMATIC UNDERSTANDING OF HIGHER ED: BECOMING AN INFORMED AGENT OF CHANGE > Kelsey's

Presented by Nazely Kurkjian, Coordinator of Disability, Diversity, and Nontraditional Student Services, SUNY System Administration

Understanding the structure of higher education is paramount to effectively advocating student concerns. This session will provide a brief overview of the organization of SUNY, key stakeholders, methods for institutionalizing change, and pathways to careers in higher education. Collectively, the presenters have experiences as graduates of SUNY community colleges, doctoral-granting institutions, graduate school, and working on SUNY campuses, SUNY Administration, and SUNY Student Assembly.

WORKSHOP: THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF MEETING WITH A LEGISLATOR > Governor C

Presented by Maya Rudolph, Policy Director, SUNY Student Assembly and Brad Hershenson, Director of Legislative Affairs, SUNY Student Assembly

Advocacy meetings are an art form. They require careful calibration, lots of preparation, and a healthy dose of self-confidence. Although intimidating, they are the strongest way to affect change on your campus and within our system. Join this session, led by two former state and federal legislative staffers, to learn what advocacy strategies are most effective, what hiccups to avoid, and to sign up to participate in the second annual Local Advocacy Week

9:00 PM- 10:00 PM NETWORKING SESSION

Conference attendees will have the opportunity to network with other student leaders from across the system who work in similar capacities. There will be prompts to spark discussion between delegates. Please choose the session that best matches your current role in student government.

Vice Presidents/Treasurers > Governor C
Senators/Representatives > Governor D
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Student Group Leaders > Kelsey's
Student Group Leaders > Capital AB

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP RECEPTION* > Chambers *By Invitation

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2019

7:45 AM- 9:00 AM MORNING PLENARY & BREAKFAST > Governor AB

Please arrive in the ballroom by 7:45 AM for the start of our morning program. Delegates will hear from the sponsors of this year's conference, and our partners in faculty governance.

9:10 AM- 12:00 PM WORKSHOPS, ALL DELEGATES

> Governor C & D, Hudson Ballroom, Chambers, & Kelsey's

9:10AM - 10:00AM: WORKSHOPS BLOCK 1

HOW TO INSTITUTIONALIZE THE STUDENT ASSEMBLY ON YOUR CAMPUS > Hudson Ballroom

Presented by: Jimmy Kinney, Acting Director of Engagement, SUNY Student Assembly

This session will provide a deeper understanding of what the SUNY Student Assembly is, its role in student governments, and the plethora of opportunities to become involved. Join student leaders in learning how to institutionalize and engage students on your campus with the Student Assembly.

FREE SPEECH: WHAT DOES IT MEAN AND WHEN DOES IT APPLY? > Kelsey's

Presented by: Austin Ostro, President, SUNY Student Assembly What does free speech really mean? What limitations exist on what people can say? Why am I hearing so much about free speech all of a sudden? If these questions interest you, make sure to come for an informed discussion, including example scenarios, on how free speech protections apply to SUNY campuses and student governments.

A CRASH COURSE ON PROFESSIONAL WRITING AND PROOFREADING > Governor D

Presented by: Julie Maio, Correspondence Coordinator, SUNY System Administration

At this session, delegates will discover different styles of writing that can take place in the workplace beyond emails (e.g., blog posts, social media, memos, etc.) and how to improve professional writing skills. This session will also help develop proofreading skills and dig deeper in to AP style writing. If you are interested in refining your skills as a writer, make sure to stop by this workshop.

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP ROLES: WHY WE SHOULD ALL BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION

> Governor C

Presented by: Kate Wood, Vice President, SUNY Student Assembly

Having founded the SUNY Student Assembly Gender Equity committee, Kate has gained an unparalleled understanding on how to promote gender equity within college campuses. She will lead a workshop on the importance of ensuring that all students throughout the system have equal access to resources and opportunities, regardless of gender identity. This presentation will educate attendees on how they can lead initiatives surrounding female empowerment and gender equity on their own campuses.

PERSONAL FINANCE: STRATEGIES FOR EXITING COLLEGE > Chambers

Presented by: Mike Marchio, Northwestern Mutual

This session will explore general financial planning topics that most students will encounter within the first few months of entering the job force. These topics include student loan repayment options and planning, forming effective and efficient habits for saving and investing money, understanding employer benefits in their new career including, what they are, what they mean, how to choose them and how to use them to the greatest extent.

10:10AM - 11:00AM: WORKSHOPS BLOCK 2

PUBLIC SPEAKING: HOW TO SPEAK WITH CONFIDENCE AND SKILL > Hudson Ballroom

Presented by: Dylan Rice, Representative, SUNY Student Assembly Public speaking is the most common phobia in the United States, with approximately 25 percent of the population claiming it's their biggest fear. At some point you will find yourself speaking publicly in some capacity. This session will give you a better understanding of the fears associated with public speaking and the best ways to cope with them, as well as the skills that make a good public speaker.

YOUR VOICE MATTERS: EFFECTIVELY USING YOUR VOICE AND UTILIZING STUDENT INPUT

> Governor D

Presented by: Elisabeth Rebmann, Representative, SUNY Student Assembly and Bryce Mack, Vice Chair of Community Colleges, SUNY Student Assembly

At this session, students will discuss their experiences with campus administration, and gain a better understanding of ways to voice their opinion, get campus administrators to listen, utilize student input, and better advocate as a student government.

FEDERAL POLITICS AND HIGHER EDUCATION >

Governor C

Presented by: Michael Stefanko, Director of Government Relations
This session will dive deep into how federal policy affects
higher education. Delegates will also be advised on how to work
with members of Congress to effectively advocate for change
on a federal level. Lastly, delegates will develop the strategies
necessary to closely follow national higher education news that
may affect them and their campuses.

SUNY ONLINE: A STUDENT-CENTERED APPROACH TO ONLINE EDUCATION > Kelsey's

Presented by: Marianne Hassan, Chief of Staff to the Provost, SUNY System Administration

Students will have an understanding of the system development of the Online initiative as well as the support services envisioned for the programs. SUNY Online will transform SUNY's delivery technology and student support model from student inquiry to application, to enrollment, to support services. The Online team will seek student feedback on the new services piloted this fall and those proposed for the future.

GLOBAL CITIZENS: LOCAL ACTION & GLOBAL IMPACT > Chambers

Presented by: Monica Olveira, Community Engagement Associate, UNICEF USA & Amena Elamin, Global Citizenship Fellow, UNICEF USA

Join UNICEF USA in an impactful, interactive workshop aimed at providing you with the tools and skills to become global citizens on your campus. You'll learn about the UN's 2030 Agenda, UNICEF's work around the world, and what it all means for your particular campus! With an emphasis on advocacy and activism, our workshop will empower you to make change in support of local and global causes..

11:10AM - 12:00PM: WORKSHOPS BLOCK 3

EXPANSION THROUGH EMPOWERMENT > Governor D

Presented by: Taryn Rackmyer, Chief of Staff, SUNY Student Assembly

From her past experience as Coordinator of Campus Engagement for the Student Assembly, and through her current role as Chief of Staff, Taryn has gained a wealth of experience in increasing student engagement. In this workshop, Taryn will discuss the best ways to market opportunities to students, recruit students for cabinet positions, and expand the reach of your organization through social media engagement, student empowerment, and individual outreach.

THE ROLE OF STUDENT LEADERS IN PROMOTING AOD PREVENTION AND SUPPORTING COLLEGIATE RECOVERY SERVICES > Governor C

Presented by: MaryAnn DiChristopher, SUNY System Administration Alcohol and substance abuse destroy countless lives- including the lives of thousands of students across the country. Through this workshops, students will come to understand the potential they have to be effective change agents on their campuses when it comes to Alcohol and drug prevention and recovery efforts. Delegates will also learn how to identify and align with potential campus partners.

ADVOCATE LIKE A PRO > Kelsey's

Presented by: Brad Hershenson, Director of Legislative Affairs, SUNY Student Assembly

This session will review the basics of New York State Government, cover the skills and techniques necessary for holding effective meetings with elected officials, and explore the student role in the campus, system, and statewide political environment. Attendees will be exposed to the elements of leadership and advocacy that directly influence academic excellence and student success.

WHEN IT HITS THE FAN > Hudson Ballroom

Presented by: Rob Drumm, Ombudsman, SUNY Student Assembly You are an officer or member of your Student Government, Club Officer, Trustee, College Council Member, and you get "that call," that something has happened on campus. It could be an issue with administration, incident involving a student, or anything else. How do you handle this? What are your steps? How do you de-escalate the situation? How do you work with administration? What steps can you take proactively to avoid some situations? Students will learn how to troubleshoot and handle situation that student leaders really are not blueprinted for.

APO IN ACTION > Chambers

Presented by: Jackson Berry, SUNY Fredonia

This session will demonstrate the many different settings in which one can be a good leader, through fellowship of members and through service. Students will leave with a sense of duty among leaders, and be able to go back to their campuses with a new understanding of their purpose as a leader.

12:10 PM- 2:00 PM AFTERNOON PLENARY & LUNCH > Governor AB

At our afternoon plenary, we will hear from key leaders in state government and media on the direction of New York State. President Austin Ostro will also offer the State of the Assembly Address

VISION 2020: WHAT A NEW DECADE BRINGS TO NEW YORK



RICH AZZOPARDI

Senior Advisor to Governor Andrew Cuomo Rich Azzopardi is a SUNY grad with a distinguished record of service in New York State government. He has served in the Executive Chamber since 2012, first as Deputy Director of Communications, and

since last December as Senior Advisor to the Governor. Prior to entering the administration, Mr. Azzopardi worked in the State Senate, as a communications professional and as Chief of Staff to Sen. Craig Johnson. He also worked as and as a journalist for multiple Northeast news publications. He graduated from SUNY New Paltz in 2002.



LIZ BENJAMIN

Managing Director, Marathon Strategies
Liz Benjamin is a the Albany-based
Managing Director of Marathon Strategies

Managing Director of Marathon Strategies, a communications and research firm. Until earlier this year, Benjamin served as the host of "Capital Tonight", an hour-long TV

show aired around the state on Time Warner Cable that focused on New York politics and policy. Benjamin was also the creator and editor of "State of Politics", the show's companion blog. Prior to joining TWC News, Benjamin worked for four years at the New York Daily News, where she blogged at "The Daily Politics" on the nexus between NYC and Albany, and also wrote a weekly column. Benjamin has an MSJ from Columbia Graduate School of Journalism and a BA in political science and French from the University of Rochester.



DANIEL FULLER

Assistant Secretary for Education for Governor Cuomo

Assistant Secretary Fuller entered this role after serving as Education Policy Advisor, and previously, Mr. Fuller served as Vice President of Legislative Relations

at Communities in Schools. He was also the Director of Public Policy at the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, and prior to that, was the Director of Federal Programs at the National School Boards Association. Mr. Fuller holds a B.A. in English from SUNY Plattsburgh

STATE OF THE ASSEMBLY

Student Assembly President Austin Ostro will report on the State of the SUNY Student Assembly.

2:10 PM- 5:00 PM BUSINESS MEETING AND WORKSHOPS

Voting Delegates should make their way to the Hudson Ballroom for the conference's formal business meeting. All other interested delegates are welcome to sit in on the business meeting as well. Four workshops will be hosted concurrently with the business meeting for non-voting delegates.

Business Meeting (Voting Delegates) > *Hudson Ballroom*

Workshops (All Other Delegates) > Governor C & D, Kelsey's, Chambers
Advisors Meeting- Anteroom

2:10PM - 3:00PM: WORKSHOPS BLOCK 4

WOMEN IN STEM: INCLUSION IN THE CLASSROOM

> Governor C

Presented by: Kaitlyn Trusty, Vice Chair of Gender Equity, SUNY Student Assembly and Jourdyn-Evonne Lee, Chair of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, SUNY Student Assembly

Everyday, women across the world are striving to achieve their goals. They refuse to stay in their gender normative roles and settle in lifestyles and careers that don't set their hearts on fire. Women in STEM are a classic example of these pioneers. In this interactive workshop, all students no matter their gender identity, will be able to join in the conversation with others about what it's like to be a woman in STEM.

ENHANCE STUDENT LEARNING AND CONVERSATIONS WITH THE NEW YORK TIMES >

Kelsey's

Presented by: The New York Times

Meet with The New York Times InEducation Program to discover how to use The New York Times to enhance student education, host learning events and programs, and create a campus culture of civic engagement and international awareness.

FRAMEWORK FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE SUNY >

Governor D

Presented by: Mary Ellen Malia, SUNY Sustainability Coalition

This session will provide an understanding on how the SUNY curriculum, research and operations contribute towards the fulfillment of the UN Global Goal. Also, students will learn what role they can play in addressing the challenging sustainability issues of today.

HOW TO PRIORITIZE YOUR MENTAL HEALTH >

Chambers

Presented by: Brandon McDonough, Chair of Campus Safety, SUNY Student Assembly

People tend to neglect their mental health in regards to their overall health. Most of the time, people only think their physical health is something that needs to be addressed on a regular basis. This session will dive into the complexities of mental health. It will teach you how to balance your mental health and stresses of being a student leader, college, and family life. It will provide the resources needed to foster a healthy habit of prioritizing mental health.

3:10PM - 4:00PM: WORKSHOPS BLOCK 5

GETTING INVOLVED WITH THE SUNY STUDENT ASSEMBLY: THE LIFE OF A REPRESENTATIVE >

Governor C

Presented by: Elisabeth Rebman, Representative, SUNY Student Assembly and Bryce Mack, Vice Chair of Community Colleges, SUNY Student Assembly

For students who have wondered what it is like to be a member of the SUNY Student Assembly Executive Cabinet, this workshop will give you an inside look into the world of the Executive Committee, specifically the Representatives. Representatives play a crucial role in the Student Assembly and are the main point of communication between your campus and the Executive Committee. This session will discuss what being a Representative looks like, and how you can be one too!

CONQUERING STUDENT LOAN DEBT > Kelsey's

Presented by: KRaelynn Harlach, AIG Retirement Services and Donna Sweeney, SUNY Human Resources

In conjunction with SUNY HR, this workshop discusses the fact that while education is essential to remain competitive, it can be very expensive and often financed through some form of borrowing. That debt could become a huge financial liability, even many years after graduation. This session discusses strategies that can assist, lessen or even eliminate student loan debt. If you have questions you may also contact Donna Sweeney at SUNY HR at donna.sweeney@suny.edu

ADVOCATE LIKE A PRO > Governor D

Presented by: Brad Hershenson, Director of Legislative Affairs, SUNY Student Assembly

This session will review the basics of New York State Government, cover the skills and techniques necessary for holding effective meetings with elected officials, and explore the student role in the campus, system, and statewide political environment. Attendees will be exposed to the elements of leadership and advocacy that directly influence academic excellence and student success.

TEAM DEVELOPMENT 101 > Chambers

Presented by: Peter Huber, President, ESF Student Association

This session is designed to give student leaders the tools necessary to begin thinking about how a team develops, how leaders measure team/individual development, how to change your leadership style to meet your team's needs, and give the opportunity for participants to share best practices of situational leadership. Specific concepts to be covered include the Leading EDGE (Boy Scouts of America), the Time Management Matrix (Stephen Covey)/how to prevent burnout, effective delegation, and a situational leadership case study.

4:10PM - 5:00PM: WORKSHOPS BLOCK 6

UNDERSTANDING IMPLICIT BIAS > Chambers

Presented by: Corianna Lipira, Chair of Gender Equity, SUNY Student Assembly

This workshop will educate delegates on the definition of implicit bias and how it presents itself in daily life. Additionally, there will be a piece on how implicit bias can help or hinder how we communicate with others and solutions to potential obstacles. The presentation will be conversational, with an accompanying PowerPoint presentation for structure. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn the technical definitions for implicit bias and share how they feel about the information, or personal stories on their experiences.

WHO THE HECK IS ROBERT AND WHY DOES HE HAVE RULES ANYWAY? > Kelsey's

Presented by: Callie Humphrey, Representative, SUNY Student Assembly and Eric Weinman, Financial Manager, SUNY Student Assembly

This session will explain the basics of Robert's Rules of Order for delegates who may be unfamiliar with the parliamentary procedure that governs the SUNY Student Assembly and many of the student governments on our sixty-four campuses. Callie and Eric will explore the many ways in which these rules can be used by delegates to effectively communicate their views in committees and meetings. They will additionally provide the necessary information to run meetings on their own campuses more fairly and democratically, and introduce delegates to the way in which governing documents, such as constitutions and bylaws, can impact the business conducted in meetings, and what amending these governing documents can look like.

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE (OER) SOLUTIONS FOR TEXTBOOK AFFORDABILITY & STUDENT SUCCESS > Governor D

Presented by: Lumen Learning

Many SUNY students cannot afford the often high cost of textbooks and learning materials. Trying to succeed in a class without the required learning materials can negatively impact academic success. Open educational resources (OER) provide low-cost and high-quality alternatives to traditionally published resources. In addition to solving the problems of affordability and access, OER courses offered by SUNY OER Services are designed with contemporary learning success technologies proven to increase both grades and retention. Best of all, these courses are available at no cost to SUNY students.

IN OTHER WORDS > Chambers

Presented by: Yamilex Taveras, Representative, SUNY Student Assembly

Imagine this: you disagree with coworkers on how to do things, you feel discriminated against on the basis of gender, sexuality, race, a coworker undermines your authority, etc. While our instincts may be to lash out, as young professionals it is imperative that we learn to remain level headed in situations that provoke emotions we cannot control. In this workshop, delegates will engage in conversation on how we respond to situations in a professional setting, and how to respect opinions that don't align with our own for the purpose of learning.

5:15 PM-7:30 PM DINNER & KEYNOTE SESSION

At this session we will hear from Timothy Hunter, Chair of the CUNY University Senate and from our keynote speaker, Congressman Paul Tonko.



CONGRESSMAN PAUL TONKO

New York's 20th Congressional District
Congressman Paul D. Tonko is a sixthterm member of the U.S. House of
Representatives, representing New York's
20th Congressional District in the Capital
Region, including the cities of Albany,

Schenectady, Troy, Saratoga Springs, and his hometown of Amsterdam. Throughout his career, he has been a champion for the working class, advancing policies that create jobs, provide economic opportunity, and ensure senior citizens can retire with dignity. Tonko is a member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce and was elected by his peers to serve as chair of the Subcommittee on the Environment and Climate Change, where he oversees a wide range of issues including clean drinking water, regulation of toxic substances and national climate action. Congressman Tonko was also appointed to join the Committee on Natural Resources and to continue his service on the Science, Space, and Technology Committee. In addition to his committee duties. Tonko co-chairs the Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition. Prior to serving in Congress. Tonko was the president and CEO of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. Before that, he served in the New York State Assembly for 25 years, 15 of which he was chair of the Committee on Energy.

7:45 PM-8:45 PM CAUCUS MEETINGS

Delegates will gather by academic sector to discuss key issues affecting students on their campuses. Caucus meetings will be led by the elected representatives from each sector.

Comprehensive Colleges > Governor C
Community Colleges > Kelsey
Doctoral Granting Institutions > Governor D
Agricultural, Technical, & Statutory Colleges > Chambers

9:00 PM-9:45 PM STUDENT GOVERNMENT PRESIDENTS MEETING > Chambers

Student Government Presidents will meet to discuss the unique challenges posed by the position, and areas of inter-campus collaboration.

10:00 PM-1:00 AM PRESIDENT'S GALA > Hudson Ballroom

What would conference be without the President's Gala? Please join all your favorite Student Assembly delegates, as you see them like you've never seen them before. Make sure to have a good time, make sure to have a safe time.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2019

9:00 AM- 11:00 AM SUNY'S GOT YOUR BACK > Gallery

Before heading out, please stop by the Gallery to pack a bag for SUNY's Got Your Back Initiative. Delegates will assemble comfort kits for survivors of sexual violence. This event will occur on a rolling basis, stop by whenever you are up and ready to depart.

11:00 AM DEPARTURE

Thank you for joining us for Fall Conference 2019! We look forward to seeing you at our Spring Conference April 24-26 in Syracuse!





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