

SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

Graduate Employment Panel

Moderated by: Dennis Ferraro, Student Services Director, Keiser University

Panelists include: Robert Hiller, National Placement Director, Miami Media School

Steven Collins, Ph.D., Career Source Florida

Ximena Pena, Human Resources Administrator, Community Health Centers—Orlando

Accounting in Higher Education

Presented by Domingo Alvarez

This presentation will help you navigate the sometimes confusing world of accounting practices and regulations in our sector.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

Accreditation Readiness

Presented by: Jay Vaughn

Jay Vaughan, chair of Cooley's education practice, works proactively with colleges and universities, alternate content providers, and innovative education companies to navigate the dynamic regulatory environment, advise on strategic planning and assist with operational opportunities. A former regulator who has worked in the field for more than 20 years, Jay assists organizations to understand accreditation, as well as state and federal laws regulating the field of postsecondary education. This session draws on Jay's experience gathered during hundreds of on-site evaluations to assist schools with accreditation and regulatory questions.

Financial Aid and International Students

Presented by: Roman Peacock

Understanding the Student and Exchange Visitor Program. Of paramount importance to those with international students and those who wish to market to international students, this session will address such issues as Certificates of Eligibility, F-1 and, and events.

New Lease Accounting Standards

Presented by: Eileen Kellor & Emily Cook

Eileen Kellor and Emily Cook, of Salmon Sims Thomas Accountants and Consultants, discuss new lease accounting standards for schools and how those standards affect a school's composite score.

Human Resources in Higher Education

Presented by: Bob L. Harris, Esq.

Bob will be discussing some common employment issues faced by schools, including hiring and firing decisions, retaliation and discrimination claims, whistleblower claims, background checks, use of arbitration agreements, and social media policies. Bob will also discuss ways to navigate legal challenges faced by schools from the Attorney General, Borrower Defense to Repayment, and SARA. An update regarding ongoing litigation with the Florida Board of Nursing will be discussed.

Financial Reporting

Presented by: Eileen Kellor and Emily Cook

Approximately 90% of business are moving toward cloud-based solutions to increase efficiency, provide real-time, relevant data for decision makers, and strengthen internal controls. In this session, you will learn best practices, available options and next steps to move your organization's accounting systems into the cloud."

The Panel of Champions

Moderated by Steve Gunderson

Learn best practices for owning and operating successful schools champions in our sector.

Our Champions are: Mr. Derek Apanovitch, Ultimate Medical Academy; Mrs. Nancy Bradley, Daytona College; Mr. Garry Jones, Full Sail University and Dr. Arthur Keiser, Keiser University