



WAPLA 2023 Conference

Salt Lake City, Utah

CONFERENCE PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE

*LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW HORIZONS:
PRELAW ADVISING EVOLVES*

APRIL 13TH - 15TH, 2023

PRESENTED BY THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF PRELAW ADVISORS
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WAPLA CONFERENCE 2023

THURSDAY APRIL 13TH

- 2:00 - 5:00pm** Registration at **Salt Lake Marriott Downtown at City Creek**
- 5:00 - 7:00pm** Reception at Salt Lake Marriott Downtown at City Creek
(sponsored by LSAC)

FRIDAY APRIL 14TH

- 8:00am** Bus departs hotel for **S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah**
- 8:15 - 9:00am** Breakfast (sponsored by AccessLex Institute)
- 9:00 - 9:50am** Prelaw Advisor Training - Old and New! (Chris Shortell, Associate Professor, Portland State University)
Session 1
- 10:00 - 10:50am** Updates from LSAC (Gisele Joachim, VP for Law School Engagement, Law School Admissions Council)
Session 2
- 11:00 - 11:50am** Introduction to LawHub (Katya Valasek, LSAC Ambassador, Law School Admissions Council)
Session 3
- 12:00 - 1:00pm** Lunch (sponsored by S.J. Quinney College of Law)
- 1:00 - 1:50pm** Assisting Students with Navigating Financial Aid (Reyes Aguilar, Associate Dean for Admissions and Financial Aid, S.J. Quinney School of Law)
Session 4
- 2:00 - 2:50pm** Reframing Professionalism in a (Post?) COVID Era (Jenny Branson, Assistant Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, Baylor Law School, Joseph Lindsay, Director of Admissions and Operations, University of California, Berkeley School of Law, and Isabel Moreno, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid, S.J. Quinney College of Law)
Session 5
- 3:00 - 3:50pm** The State of Law School Student Life (Bryan Hamblin, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University)
Session 6
- 4:00pm** Bus departs for hotel

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**SATURDAY
APRIL 15TH**

- 8:00am** Bus departs hotel for **S.J. Quinney College of Law**
- 8:15 - 9:00am** Breakfast
- 9:00 - 9:50am**
Session 7 New Options in Pre-law Advising: Legal Master's Programs (Elizabeth Kronk Warner, Dean, S.J. Quinney School of Law, Daniel Rodriguez, Harold Washington Professor of Law, Pritzker School of Law, Northwestern University)
- 10:00 - 10:50am**
Session 8 Updates from AccessLex (Teria Thornton, Pre-Law and Diversity Initiatives Director, AccessLex Institute, Natalie Daniels, Regional Director, AccessLex Institute)
- 11:00 - 11:50am** WAPLA Business Meeting
- 12:00- 1:00pm** Lunch
- 1:00pm** Bus departs for hotel

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June 10th - June 13th 2024
Intercontinental New Orleans Hotel



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Pre-Law Advisors National Council

The Pre-Law Advisors National Council is pleased to invite you to the PLANC Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana!

New Orleans, site of the first-ever PLANC Conference, is excited to once again welcome us to the Crescent City. We look forward to seeing you there!

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