

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: Workshops and Roundtables

2025 Student Personnel Administrators' Network (SPAN) Conference

Belonging Across Modalities: Building Community with Communications, Technology and AI

March 11–13, 2025 | The Hyatt Regency, Newport Beach, CA

The SPAN Steering Committee, along with ATS staff, invite the submission of proposals for workshop or roundtable discussion sessions at the 2025 conference. The annual SPAN Conference is designed to support and develop administrators serving in multiple areas of student services including admissions and enrollment management, career services, financial aid, housing, deans of students, registrars, and more.

The committee invites proposals for one-hour workshops or roundtable discussions that either address student services in theological education broadly or focus on one specific aspect of student services work. We welcome proposals from either individuals or teams/panels. Potential topics might include:

- Supporting the student experience in hybrid/online programs
- Building community among hybrid or dispersed student bodies
- Emerging uses of AI and other technologies in student services work
- Integrating formation with academics and its impact on student services
- Student support and mental health
- Best practices in enrollment management
- Resource management for registrars in small institutions
- FERPA/Title IX
- The diversification of roles in student services

Workshops: Interactive sessions that present practical knowledge, skills, and strategies. Workshops should be designed to teach or share learning on a particular topic, while also giving participants an opportunity to actively engage with the material.

Roundtables: Facilitated, dynamic discussions that encourage deep dives into pressing issues, emerging trends, and innovative practices. Here you can pose a thought-provoking question or present a personal case study for the group to discuss together.

Proposals should include:

- Name, institution, and position for each presenter
- Contact information (phone, email, and mailing address) for each presenter
- Roundtable or workshop?
- Target audience? (e.g., admissions, student life, registrars, etc.)
- Session title and 100- to 150-word abstract describing the session's focus
- Qualifications of presenter(s) (please attach a curriculum vitae)

The deadline for submission is Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

Please send proposals (and direct questions regarding format or content) to Chelsea Yarborough, ATS Associate Director of Leadership Development, at yarborough@ats.edu, with the subject line "SPAN 2025 Proposal."