

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS: Workshops and Roundtables

### 2026 ATS Financial Officers (CFO) Conference

*Stewarding the Future: People, Practices and Policies that Support Our Work*

November 10–12, 2026 | Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA

The Financial Officers Steering Committee, along with ATS staff, invite the submission of proposals for workshop or roundtable discussion sessions at the 2026 conference.

The committee invites proposals for one-hour workshops or roundtable discussions that address tools and strategies that ATS finance professionals can use to strengthen their work and support their schools. We would love proposals that focus on important tools, navigating different policies, and what relationships support your work. We encourage proposals from both individuals and teams/panels. Potential topics might include but are not limited to:

- Sharing pieces of business models
- Institutional aid and scholarships
- Communicating across constituencies (faculty/board, etc.)
- Financial accounting
- Tax updates
- Using AI in your work
- Single audit requirements
- Impact of the changing landscape of higher education
- Cash flow management

**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, email for each presenter
- Session title and 100- to 150-word abstract describing the session's focus
- Target audience? (CFO, business officer, new CFO, accountant, etc.)
- Is it a workshop or a roundtable?
- Qualifications of presenter(s) (please attach a curriculum vitae or resume)

**The deadline for submission is Friday, September 4, 2026.**

Please send proposals (and direct questions regarding format or content) to Chelsea Yarborough, ATS associate director of leadership programming, at [yarborough@ats.edu](mailto:yarborough@ats.edu), with the subject line "2026 CFO Proposal."