



## International Education Leadership Knowledge Community 2023 Call for Proposals

The International Education Leadership Knowledge Community (IEL KC) invites you to submit a session, poster, or workshop proposal for the NAFSA 2023 Annual Conference & Expo in Washington, DC. The IEL KC supports senior international officers (SIOs) and other international education leaders who provide vision and build commitment for comprehensive internationalization or lead global operations at their institution.

### Proposal Deadlines:

- Sessions and workshops: **August 24, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (EDT)**
- Posters: **December 7, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (EST)**

For additional information, visit [nafsa.org/proposals](https://nafsa.org/proposals).

### NAFSA 2023 Conference Theme: “NAFSA at 75: Inspiring an Inclusive Future”

Coinciding with NAFSA’s 75th anniversary, NAFSA 2023 will bring together the global community to reflect, celebrate, inspire, and create. We will honor our legacy and progress, renew our community’s mission, and commit to diversifying the voices that shape the future the international education field. Our goals for NAFSA 2023:

- Meet challenges by sharing lessons learned, diverse perspectives, and innovative approaches.
- Explore trends in professional development and career advancement, and advocate for the well-being of all.
- Benefit from global thought leadership and multigenerational perspectives.
- Underscore the global imperative for social justice and access, and the importance of inclusive internationalization for long-term impact on our campus, and local and global communities.

### NAFSA welcomes proposals that highlight:

- the role of international education in addressing social, economic, and environmental justice
- local, national, and global advocacy for community engagement and impact
- model practices for virtual, in-person, hyflex, and hybrid program design and delivery
- programs that support the health and well-being of students, faculty, and staff in the international education community
- assessment of the ongoing impact of virtual, Hyflux, and hybrid learning models and programs
- the role of international education leaders in increasing inclusivity and building relationships across campus and with key stakeholders to further these efforts
- innovative approaches to managing through crises, including navigating legalities, weighing financial risk, minimizing academic disruption, and addressing ethical challenges related to global programs and operations
- research in international education as a catalyst and foundation for an inclusive future
- new skills and cross-functional competencies defining the changing profile of an “international educator” and shaping collaborative teams and communities
- transformative ideas that redefine mobility for students, faculty, and staff
- the integration and creative use of technology in international education programs and services
- management of career advancement for students and staff in a shifting job market

- maximizing cross-departmental collaboration and learning from the cross-pollination of ideas, skills, and resources
- cultivation of renewed faculty engagement in internationalization efforts and curriculum development
- new models for comprehensive, ambitious, and inclusive internationalization

In keeping with the theme of the annual conference, the IEL KC is committed to featuring content at the 2023 annual conference that prominently engages with the work of diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice as core values of our profession. We would particularly welcome proposals on the following topics:

### **Global Issues and Trends**

This topic covers macro issues that can have an impact on international higher education including demographic trends, geopolitics, governmental policies, national interest, regulatory regimes, security, education and research policy, society, migration, and the environment. National, regional, international, and comparative perspectives are all welcome.

### **Peace and Justice**

This topic foregrounds innovative and influential efforts by international educators across the globe to strengthen social justice and promote peaceful international cooperation, especially by addressing critical issues such as refugee policy, education of displaced peoples, climate justice, racial equity, indigenous rights, and gender-based violence.

### **Advocacy**

One of the three pillars of the NAFSA strategic plans, this topic is about making your voice heard and ensuring that the value of international higher education is articulated and promoted at all levels of government and community. What works in different cultural, political, and social contexts? What strategies – e.g., formal lobbying, informal persuasion, etc. – might be most successful?

### **Comprehensive Internationalization**

Under this topic, we welcome proposals on the infusion and assessment of international and comparative perspectives throughout the teaching, research, and service missions of higher education, strategies and tactics for articulating the value of international education on campus, and working with stakeholders at all levels.

### **Management and Strategy**

This topic addresses institutional and operational concerns from the leadership level. It recognizes the challenges and opportunities for international education leaders and how to address them including comprehensive internationalization, policymaking, strategic planning, compliance and oversight, crisis management, change management, career progression and succession planning, building inclusive teams and fostering diversity, etc. Original research, case studies, and comparative approaches are all welcome.