



COE'S 31st ANNUAL CONFERENCE

New York Marriott Marquis

NEW YORK, NY

September 5-8, 2012

As the leading association dedicated to the advancement of college access, the COE Annual Conference is the largest gathering of TRIO and GEAR UP staff. Each year, more than 1,400 TRIO and GEAR UP professionals gather to learn and share ideas about areas such as best practices, financial literacy, STEM education, and retention. Included in the concurrent conference sessions are sessions given by the U.S. Department of Education.

CONFERENCE STRANDS

We have planned 80 concurrent sessions to meet the needs of both pre-college and college level opportunity educators. Numerous special sessions for each TRIO program have been designed to meet the specific needs of individual projects, from programs focused on veterans to those preparing students for graduate study.

This year's thematic strands include:

- Equity and Achievement
- Data- Driven Policies
- Start Smart for New professionals
- STEM
- Employable Assets for Graduates
- Effective Retention Initiatives
- TRIO High Schools
- Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Pell Grant

This year's conference will feature a day celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Pell Grant. The celebration will include a Pell Grant Legacy Awards Luncheon and a preview of the documentary "Pell Grants: A Passion for Education."

One of the highlights of the conference is the Educational Opportunity Dinner and TRIO Achievers' Awards. Each year, these awards feature inspiring stories from TRIO alumni. Last year's awardees included an assistant professor of Sociology, a college president, a city councilman, an emergency communications director for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, a dean of Health Sciences, and the president of an energy conservation company. This year's awardees promise to be just as inspiring. You will not want to miss it.



31st Annual Conference Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, September 5, 2012

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Offsite Pre-Conference Workshops: Engaging In Informal Real World Education
10:00a.m.–12:00p.m.	Gates Millennium Clinic
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Conference Registration
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Exhibits
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Pre-Conference Workshops
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Gates Millennium Clinic
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Newcomers Reception
4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Moderators Orientation
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Poster Presentations for Best Practices
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Opening Plenary Session
8:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Chair's Reception in Honor of the Walter O. Mason Awards (<i>ticketed event</i>)

Thursday, September 6, 2012

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Exhibits
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast on Your Own
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Plenary Session
10:00a.m.-10:30a.m.	Exhibit Walk
10:45a.m.–12:00p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
12:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Lunch on your Own
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Plenary Session
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Reception (Cash Bar)
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Educational Opportunity Dinner & TRIO Achievers' Awards (<i>ticketed event</i>)
9:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Dance

Friday, September 7, 2012

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast on Your Own
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Exhibits
8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Plenary Session
9:30a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Plenary Session
11:00a.m. – 12:15 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
12:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Pell Grant Legacy Awards Luncheon (<i>ticketed event</i>)
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Hot Topics
3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
5:30 p.m. -- 7:00 p.m.	The Amazing Race (3 rd Floor Foyer)
6:15p.m. - 7:15p.m.	PG40 Impact Initiative Documentary

Saturday, September 8, 2012

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Information Desk/ Table of Sales
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Full Breakfast: Plenary Session - Congressional Speaker (<i>ticketed event</i>)
10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Plenary Session
12:00 p.m.	31st Annual Conference Concludes

★ PRE-CONFERENCE CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS ★

Wednesday, September 5, 2012

Leveraging Program Resources to Attract Additional Funding
(All)

Funding and Conducting Summer Bridge Experiences to Facilitate College Success
(UB & SSS)

Want to Boost Learning for TRIO Students? Start with Strength-Based Education Tools
(All)

Demonstrate TRIO Success through Culturally Responsive Evaluation
(All)

Targeting TRIO Programming to Improve Student Achievement in STEM
(College) (Limited to 75 participants)

Computer Lab: Using, Formatting, and Analyzing Student and National Data to Improve Student Achievement
(All) (Limited to 25 participants)

Engaging in Informal Real World Education
(Off-site; All day) (All)



— **REGISTRATION INFORMATION** —

Registration fees include the Conference Program and materials only. Each registrant must complete an official Council Registration Form and return it along with full payment or an institutional purchase order payable to the Council for Opportunity in Education, 2012 Conference, P.O. Box 90193, Washington, DC 20090-0193.

— **NOTE ON PAYMENT** —

The U.S. Department of Education, through the Expanded Authority Regulations, has authorized pre-award costs for TRIO programs. Therefore, you may utilize project funds for Pre-Registration Fees and the Hotel deposit from your 2012–2013 project funds (90 days before your project year begins) to pre-register for this Conference, which may not take place until your 2012–2013 program year has begun. (EDGAR 74.25 (e)(1)).

HOTEL INFORMATION

**Marriott Marquis
535 Broadway
New York, NY 10036
(800) 843-4898**

ADDITIONAL MEAL TICKETS FOR PROGRAM EVENTS

Additional meal tickets (**for those not staying at the Marriott Marquis or for those who may want to bring a guest**) may be purchased from the Marriott separately or as a package at the Marriott Marquis during the Conference dates (with a credit card or college/agency check payable to the Marriott only) as set by the Hotel. A package of Four (4) Meal Functions is available for \$479.58.

INDIVIDUAL TICKET PRICES

Wednesday, September 5, 2012

Chair's Reception in Honor of the Walter O. Mason Awards **\$112.90**

Thursday, September 6, 2012

Educational Opportunity Dinner & TRIO Achievers' Awards **\$167.36**

Friday, September 7, 2012

Pell Grant Legacy Awards Luncheon **\$112.98**

Saturday, September 8, 2012

Full Breakfast and Plenary **\$86.34**

Four Meal Functions are included if you stay at the Marriott Marquis. The room rates at the Marriott Marquis for September 5, 6, and 7 **INCLUDE** a set of tickets for four meal functions: **Chair's Reception in Honor of the Walter O. Mason Awards**, the **Educational Opportunity Dinner & TRIO Achievers' Awards**, the **Pell Grant Legacy Awards Luncheon**, and **one full breakfast**.

**For Conference participants not wishing to partake of a particular meal, access to all program meal functions except the Chair's Reception in Honor of the Walter O. Mason Awards is available 30 minutes after the start of the food service. Please see Hotel staff to be seated in the theater chairs at the back of the ballroom.*

— SPECIAL ASSISTANCE —

Special services will be provided for participants needing assistance and vegetarian diets. If you need special assistance, please indicate your request on the official Council Conference Registration Form in the space provided and return postmarked by 8/18/12.

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REGISTER ONLINE!

www.coenet.us/annualconference.html

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 18, 2012