

***Success across the Continuum:
Building Community amid Times of Change***

2023 NEGSA/NEOSR Spring Regional Meeting
Call for Proposals
Submissions due by Monday December 5, 2022 at 11:59 pm ET

We are delighted to invite you to join the AAMC’s Northeast Group on Student Affairs (NEGSA) and Northeast Organization of Student Representatives (NEOSR) communities as we reconnect with colleagues and explore deeply the strategic, operational, and administrative issues facing learners, faculty, and advisors in academic medicine and science.

As we approach a new way of working, learning and supporting learners in the face of the ongoing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever to have this time to connect with each other and support each other. We look forward to meeting with you all, continuing to build and strengthen our student services communities!

The NEGSA/NEOSR Program Planning Committee invites proposals for all session categories at the 2023 Spring Regional Meeting.

The meeting sessions will center on the topics below and encourage your submissions that connect with these areas of focus:

- **Belonging:** *creating and sustaining a diverse workforce in medicine*
- **Building Community** *in times of rapid change*
- **Overcoming obstacles** and thriving!
- **Successful transitions:** *from premed to UME to GME*
- **Communicating for Positive Change:** *leveraging new modalities to reach stakeholders and constituents*

Submissions on a wide variety of topics are welcome. All submissions will be reviewed based on the following criteria: relevance, audience engagement, collaboration across the GSA and OSR community, and clarity of writing. Collaborative proposals that engage and inform learners, staff and leaders from different areas of expertise in student services are strongly encouraged, and submissions that highlight the meeting theme will be prioritized. Students and new NEGSA members are strongly encouraged to submit their work. We encourage you to carefully read the Submission Guidelines prior to starting your submission.

Submission Timeline:

Submission site opens	Week of 11/07/2022
Submission deadline	December 5, 2022 11:59 PM ET
Peer review of submissions	December-January
Review decisions sent to authors	January 2023
Meeting Dates	Meeting: 4/21 – 4/23/2023

Proposal Submission Guidelines:

All proposals must be submitted via the [online portal](#).

A proposal submission is considered a commitment to attend the NEGSA/NEOSR Spring Regional Meeting and present if accepted, and an acknowledgement of the costs associated with travel and meeting registration. All abstracts will undergo a peer-review process. Students and new GSA members are strongly encouraged to submit their work.

Proposal submissions need to include:

- Proposal Title
- Submission Type*
- Topicality of proposal content (i.e., P/F Step 1; Virtual interviewing, Financial literacy, etc.)
- Author(s) primary AAMC affinity group
- Expertise level of intended audience
- Area(s) of expertise relevant to submission
- Short session description (used for program posting)
- Detailed session description (used by reviewers to evaluate the proposal)
 - Detailed description should explain relevance/importance of topic; describe the methods to be used (with associated time allotments) within the requested session format; how methods will support achieving specified learning objective(s) and/or engagement with participants; relate relevant experience/background of the presenter(s) in relation to the proposal's content area (one sentence/speaker).
- Learning Objectives – minimum of two learning objectives that are clear, measurable, and achievable. Complete the sentence, “After attending this session, participants will be able to...”

***Session Types:**

Plenary sessions (75 minutes): plenary session proposals are encouraged from experienced and highly engaging speakers. Proposals for panel presentations, particularly panels representing multiple institutions and/or GSA constituencies, are also welcome. Plenary proposals should ideally address topics that have appeal to the multiple GSA affinity groups (i.e., Admissions, Student Affairs, Diversity Affairs, Financial Assistance, and Student Records). CME credit is expected to be offered for plenary sessions.

Topical/Panel Presentations (60 minutes): These sessions seek to promote discussion and dissemination of innovations, promising practices, and/or compelling new perspectives. These sessions are a presenter-driven format, but should include strategies for actively engaging learners in the session. One or more presenters should share relevant background and context, the issue for focus, and the idea/innovation/practice that addresses a need followed by exchange between the presenter(s) and audience. 60 minute session should incorporate adequate time for audience questions.

Workshops (75 minutes): These sessions are designed as interactive, skill or knowledge building experiences that should allow for experiential engagement by participants. While there must be some limited ($\leq 40\%$) presenter-led content, these sessions should explicitly utilize active learning techniques, so that participants are fully engaged in the learning opportunity. These sessions offer the opportunity to drill deeper into an idea, so that it is less theoretical and more practical for the participants. Proposal

should clearly delineate how 75 minute session time will be utilized so that participants are actively engaged.

Birds of a Feather: Birds of a Feather sessions are relatively small and informal topic-based discussions with NO formal presentation. Networking, idea exploration, and information sharing are the main goals. Topics and themes selected will be integrated into a single BoF session by regional leadership.

Proposals will be reviewed according to the following criteria:

- Significance/timeliness/potential interest of topic
- Relevance of topic to identified themes of the meeting
- Objectives – the degree of importance and the degree to which they are achievable
- Clarity of writing
- Appropriateness of session format and methods to engage participants

Useful AAMC Link – [Speaker Resources](#) – includes a step-by-step session planning guide