

The American Association for Women in Community Colleges



Welcome to AAWCC 2025 Annual Conference

Belonging Centered Leadership; a transformative journey

Thursday, May 8th

7:30am - 8:30am Registration & Check-in

8:15am - 9:15am Breakfast

8:30am - 9:45am Keynote; Dare to Belong: The Courage to Lead and Transform

with Dr. Suzanne Johnson, President of Green River College

9:45am - 10:00am Break & Transition Time

10:00am - 11:00am Breakout Sessions:

A. Breakout: Lifescripts; what to say to get what you want Presenter Donna Lewelling; HECC:CCWD, Director

B. Breakout: Power of Intentional Connectedness Using Empathic Listening Presenter Dr. Margaret Hamilton, Jennifer L. Hlad.

11:00am - 11:15am Break & Transition Time

11:15am - 12:15pm Breakout Sessions:

C. Adaptive Leadership Presenter Lisa Ellsworth, HECC

D. Under the Mask: Positioning, Placemaking, and Leadership Presenter Irene Rasheed, Black Cultural Initiative

12:15pm - 1:45pm Lunch, Awards, & AAWCC State Board Introductions

1:45pm - 2:00pm Transition Time

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2:00pm - 3:00pm Breakout Sessions:

A. President's Panel: Creating Belonging within our
Community College Campuses Presenters; Presidents Dr.
Lisa Avery (LBCC), Dr. Patty Scott (SWOCC), and Dr. Margaret
Hamilton (formerly of Lane CC)

B. **Breakout: Stress and Women's Health** *Presenter Dr. Heather Peacock, DNP, RN, RNC-MNN Nurse Administrator for Linn-Benton Community College*

3:00pm - 3:15pm Transition Time

3:15pm - 4:15pm Breakout Sessions:

- C. Intergenerational Communications Styles Presenter Gisela Foster and Claudia Reinozo, Mount Hood Community College
- D. Recognizing and Caring for women going through Trauma (students and those around too) Presenter Nuria Gamarra, Linn-Benton Community College

4:15pm - 5:45pm Networking Event

5:45pm Meet for evening activities

Friday, May 9th

8:15am - 9:15am Breakfast

8:30am - 9:45am Keynote; Enhancing Leadership and Belonging through Crucial

Conversations with *Dr. Jill Childress and Dean Jennifer Clayton*

9:45am - 10:00am Break & Transition Time

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10:00am - 11:00am Breakout Sessions:

E. Enhancing Leadership and Belonging Through Crucial Conversations Dr. Jill Childress, Linn-Benton Community College and Dean Jennifer Clayton, Walla Walla Community College

F. LLMs for Student Equity and Adaptable Curriculum with Clarissa Littler, Portland Community College

11:00am - 11:15am Break & Transition Time

11:15am - 12:30pm Keynote; Strengthening Connections and Furthering Belonging

through Curiosity with nationally renown speaker,

Parfait Bassalé

12:30pm - 12:45pm Break & Transition Time

12:30pm - 1:15pm Lunch, Voting, & Networking Tables; building your tribe

1:15pm - 1:30pm Break & Transition Time

1:30pm - 2:30pm Breakout Sessions:

G. Breakout: From Chaos to Confidence Leading Through
Change Presenter Kelly Zinck, HECC

H. Breakout: Empowered Voices; Mentoring and Communication for Professional Growth Presenter Dr. Alyson Lighthard, Portland Community College

2:30pm - 2:40pm Break & Transition Time

2:40pm - 3:40pm Voting Results & Oregon State Chapter Meeting