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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

51st National Center Annual Conference

**New Crossroads in Collective Bargaining and Labor Relations in
Higher Education and the Professions**

March 17-19, 2024

**CUNY Graduate Center and the Roosevelt House
Public Policy Institute at Hunter College**

The National Center for the Study of Collective Bargaining in Higher Education and the Professions, Hunter College, City University of New York invites proposals for panels for our 51st annual conference that will be taking place on March 17-19, 2024 in New York City.

The theme of the 51st annual conference will be New Crossroads in Collective Bargaining and Labor Relations in Higher Education and the Professions.

We welcome proposals for balanced panels relevant to higher education, professional employment, unionization, collective bargaining, labor relations, or labor history. A list of suggested panel topics are listed below.

We also encourage conference proposals from authors of recently published books relevant to collective bargaining, unionization, and other issues in higher education and the professions.

Those interested in proposing a panel should upload an abstract by **September 12, 2023** to [2024 Abstract Dropbox](#) that includes a title and description along with a list of invited participants including their title, affiliation, and contact information.

Questions concerning the call for proposals should be emailed to [2024 National Center Annual Conference](#).

Suggested Conference Panel Topics

Below is a list of some suggested panel topics:

- **Collective Bargaining about Artificial Intelligence**
- **The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Academic Research and Pedagogy**
- **Remote Work and Back-to-Office Mandates Following the Pandemic**
- **Electronic Surveillance on Campus: Bargaining Issues and Transparency**
- **Labor-Management Committees for Evaluating New Technologies on Campus**
- **Labor and Institutional Responses to the Growing Attacks on Higher Education Strategies, Tactics, and Approaches to Enrollment and Completion Rates**
- **Community College Job Training Partnerships with Industry**
- **Trustee Perspectives on Collective Negotiations**
- **Privatization of Public Services in Higher Education**
- **Mergers, Acquisitions, and Closures of Colleges: Bargaining and Other Issues**
- **Affirmative Action and DEI Initiatives after the Supreme Court Decisions in the Harvard University and University of North Carolina Cases**
- **Collective Bargaining over Harassment and Title IX Issues**
- **The Illinois Workers' Rights Constitutional Amendment and Recent Changes to State Collective Bargaining Laws: An Update and Analysis**
- **Survey of Higher Ed Pandemic-Related Agreements**
- **Workshop on Stress Reduction Strategies and Exercises**

- **Bargaining Unit Composition: Separate, Combined, or Wall-to-Wall? Collective Negotiations for Department Chairs and Administrative Personnel**
 - **Bargaining Issues for Classified, Clerical, and Other Campus Staff**
 - **Best Practices in Negotiating over Tuition Waivers and Affordable Housing**
 - **Negotiating over Accommodations for Disabled Faculty, Staff, and Students**
 - **Bargaining, Arbitrating, and Litigating over Academic Freedom**
 - **The History of Contingent Faculty Unionization in Higher Education**
 - **Graduate Student Representation Election Outcomes, 2020-2023**
 - **Analyses of the Post-Pandemic Strike Wave in Higher Education: Causes, Size, Scope, and Locations; Impact on Budgeting and Grant Funding; Relationship between Duration and Outcome**
 - **The Rise of Undergraduate Student Employee Unionization**
 - **Growth and Implications of DIY Unions in Higher Education**
 - **Student Scholarship Athletes: Update on Employee Status and Its Implications**
 - **The History and Data Concerning Cultural and Museum Worker Unionization**
 - **Unionization, Collective Bargaining, and Strikes Among Doctors and Nurses**
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