

NEAIR 2026 Conference
November 8-10
Albany, NY
Program-at-a-Glance (Updated 9/22/2026)

Color Coding	Speaker Session	Plenary	Discussion Group	SIG	Exhibitor Sponsor Presentations or Event	All Conference Attendee Event	Pre-Conference Workshop	Pre-Conference Activities
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SATURDAY		November 7						
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM		Networking Social Sessions Lounge at the Hilton						
SUNDAY		November 8						
8:00 AM - 5:30 PM		CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & INFORMATION Registration Desk						
	Chambers	Capital	Empire	State	Governor C	Governor D	Governor E	Governor A+B
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Analytics Bootcamp: Retention, Enrollment, Forecasting (Part 1) (Haas)	Integrating AI into the Institutional Research Workflow (Lu)	Another Tool in the Toolkit: Learn R for IR (Part 1) (Bujacich)	Efficient IPEDS Reporting Using IPEDSuploadables in R (Orr)	New to IPEDS Reporting Workshop (Part 1) (Ingram)	From IR Newbie to IR Navigator (Colligan)	Research Design, Statistics and the Practice of Institutional Research: Comparing Group Mean Differences (Part 1) (Coughlin)	
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Analytics Bootcamp: Retention, Enrollment, Forecasting (Part 2) (Haas)	Data Governance Essentials (Groenhout)	Another Tool in the Toolkit: Learn R for IR (Part 2) (Bujacich)	How to Produce Academic Program Cost Analysis (Michalowski)	New to IPEDS Reporting Workshop (Part 2) (Ingram)	Assessment 101: A Guide for Non-Academic Units (Fatima)	Research Design, Statistics and the Practice of Institutional Research: Comparing Group Mean Differences (Part 2) (Coughlin)	
4:00 PM - 4:30 PM		Navigating NEAIR: A Newcomer's Toolkit						
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM			Mentor Mentee Connect					
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	NEAIR WELCOME RECEPTION Gallery							
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Keynote Speaker: Dr. Tait Kellogg From Data to Action: Building a Culture Where Everyone Is a Data Person Sponsor Lightning Talks Governor A+B							
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Dinner Governor A+B							

MONDAY		November 9						
7:00 AM - 5:00 PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & INFORMATION							
	Registration Desk							
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7:00 AM - 8:45 AM	CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST Gallery/Governor A+B							
8:00 AM - 8:45 AM	Special Interest Groups							
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM		Qualtrics Level Up (Goverts)	Leading with Care: Balancing Workload and Wellbeing (Egypt)	Modeling PhD Growth: Informing Strategic Decisions (Irizarry)	A Dashboard Quality Checklist for Growing Teams (Lodha)	Co-Development of a Statistical Model: A Case Study (Wilkinson)	High Impact Programs- Matching to See Who Benefits Most (Gao)	
9:45 AM - 10:15 AM	COFFEE BREAK and EXHIBITORS							
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM		Pile, Rank, Account: A New Mixed Methods Tool for IR (Juberg)	Developing Dashboards in R with shiny (Bujacich)	Get IR in the Game - A Workday Student Implementation (Gilkey)	Data to Dialogue: Lessons from Student Groups (Hasan) CANCELLED	From Fragmented Data to Governance: An IR-Led Journey (Thompson)	U.S. News: The Latest Rankings and What's Next (Brooks)	
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM		Beyond the Score: Predictive Modeling in Context (Kurtz)	Assessing Methods in Identifying Peers and Aspirants (Massarone)	Assessing Data Culture & Capability (Groenhout)	The Impact of Pre-College Credits on Student Retention (Doellefeld)	Building an Integrated IE System (Meisami)	Dissecting Peer Assessment Scores in US NEWS Rankings (Liu)	
12:00 PM - 1:45 PM	LUNCH Business Meeting and Poster Lightning Talks Governor A+B							
1:45 PM - 2:30 PM		The AI Anxiety Workshop (Riehs)	Are Jobs Related to Major? CIP-SOC Crosswalk Solution (Hakobyan)	One Survey to Assess Them All: SLOs & JavaScript (Farmer)	Analyzing Belonging: From Concept to Communication (Livingstone)	Doctoral Attainment Trends: A Longitudinal IR Study (Thompson)	Actionable Data: Dashboards that Leaders Actually Use (Filep)	
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	POSTER SESSIONS and EXHIBITORS							
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM		Strengthening Program Value with Employer Demand Data (Vadlamannati)		Q it Up! Claude Converts Word Docs to Qualtrics QSFs (Gardiner)	Positive Outcomes from an IPEDS ACTS Journey (Butler)	Empowering Campus-Wide Decision-Making Through IR (Lodewyck)	Student Success Through Dossier-Driven Insights (Miller)	
4:15 PM - 5:00 PM		Leveraging Collaboration to Drive Data Literacy (Sisco)	From Qualtrics to Dashboard: Real-Time Results with R (Bujacich)	Predictive Analytics for Community Colleges (Lodewyck)	Razzle Dazzle: Data Storytelling and Presentation (Scarpello) CANCELLED	A Practical Framework for Student Progression Modeling (Haas)	From Fuzzy to Focused: Making Questions Measurable (Beauchamp)	
	Dinner groups leave starting at 6:00pm							

