



New Professional Roundtable

Professional Associations

- ▶ WVASPA
- ▶ WV Trio
- ▶ WVCIA - West Virginia Collegiate Initiative to Address High Use Alcohol Use
- ▶ NASPA - National Association of Student Personnel Administrators
- ▶ ACPA - Association of College Personnel Administrators
- ▶ NACADA - Academic Advising
- ▶ MACHUO - Residence Life/Conference Services
- ▶ NACE - Career Services
- ▶ NODA - New Student Orientation
- ▶ NACA - Activities/Programming
- ▶ APCA - Activities/Programming
- ▶ Classified Staff Council

Websites to Bookmark

- ▶ www.insidehighered.com
- ▶ www.chronicle.com
- ▶ www.naspa.org
- ▶ www.residentassistant.com
- ▶ www.studentaffairs.com
- ▶ <http://www.legis.state.wv.us/>

How to go to conferences when there is little funding...

- ▶ Volunteer to serve on the conference planning committee
- ▶ Ask to join a board
- ▶ Submit proposals to present

What Your First Boss Wants You to Know...

- ▶ Ask questions
- ▶ Take the initiative
- ▶ Try new things
- ▶ Be open to feedback
- ▶ Find a mentor and it doesn't have to be your boss
- ▶ Ask for a professional development plan after the first three months
- ▶ Observe the campus culture
- ▶ Don't be negative
- ▶ Have hobbies outside of work

Top 10 Reasons for Engaging in Professional Development

1. Build a professional network outside of your institution
2. Ability to connect with colleagues from other institutions that do what you do
3. Find a mentor
4. Find a sponsor
5. Re-energize your purpose
6. Develop skills such as event planning, public speaking, etc.
7. How to navigate political waters
8. Stay up to date on state and federal policy issues
9. Establish a lifeline
10. Friendship

Things I wish I had known...

- ▶ That I didn't know everything in the beginning
- ▶ Ask for help
- ▶ Have good life and work balance
- ▶ Realize that it is okay that not everyone is going to like you
- ▶ Maintain professional relationships with students
- ▶ Learn CYA and KISS
- ▶ Know when to document
- ▶ Know when to pass issues off to another person

Questions...