Welcome to the 3rd Annual Conference on Technology and Standards!

We are very pleased and excited that you have joined us once again as we bring you the latest and most important information related to technology and standards in higher education.

We are fortunate to hear from Diana G. Oblinger, Ph.D. as our keynote speaker. Dr. Oblinger is vice president for EDUCAUSE, director of the EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative and responsible for the association’s teaching and learning activities. Her background and experience at North Carolina State University, University of North Carolina, Michigan State University, University of Missouri, Microsoft and IBM along with being an accomplished author of a number of books, makes her an expert on the topic of technology and standards.

Authentication, ID management, XML, open source, security and privacy are at the forefront of every industry. We have brought very knowledgeable speakers who are experts in their fields to bring the latest and most important information to you. The level of awareness regarding standardization in higher education has never been greater and we need to capitalize on these efforts to ensure we continue to push, so that we reach that vision of interoperability.

CBA, EFC, NCHelp, and PESC understand this vision. We’ve worked together to bring our collective membership together to unify behind technology and standards. We hope that you find the sessions and speakers valuable. In an ever changing environment, working together is more important than ever.

Sincerely,

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Brett Lief
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Michael Sessa
Executive Director
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8:30–8:45 a.m.  
**GENERAL SESSION: Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
Speaker:  
*Michael Sessa*, Executive Director, PESC  
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8:45–9:00 a.m.  
**GENERAL SESSION: Best Practices and Distinguished Service Awards**  
Speaker:  
*Pete Nalli*, Director of Architecture and Software Development, Datatel; Chair, PESC Board of Directors  
Vista Ballroom

9:00–10:15 a.m.  
**GENERAL SESSION: Data Standardization Efforts at the U.S. Department of Education and Federal Student Aid**  
Moderator:  
*Rick Skeel*, Director of Academic Records, University of Oklahoma; PESC Board of Directors; AACRAO SPEEDE Committee  
Speakers:  
*Joe Rose*, Enterprise Architect, U.S. Department of Education  
*Holly Hyland*, Management Analyst, Integration Team, Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education; Chair, Steering Committee, PESC Standards Forum for Education  
Both the U.S. Department of Education and Federal Student Aid have on-going data standardization efforts. Participants will hear details surrounding these efforts and how program offices across the U.S. Department of Education are working collaboratively to benefit the Education Community of Interest.

10:15–10:30 a.m.  
**Break**  
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10:30–11:45 a.m.  
**GENERAL SESSION: InCommon: U.S. Higher Education Trust Federation**  
Moderator:  
*Craig Cornell*, Director of Enrollment Services, Nelnet; Vice Chair, PESC Board of Directors  
Speaker:  
*Renee Shuey*, Senior Systems Engineer, Academic Services and Emerging Technologies, ITS, Pennsylvania State University; Co-Chair InCommon Technical Advisory Committee  
InCommon is a formal federation for all U.S. higher education institutions and their partners. The InCommon federation supports user access to protected resources by allowing organizations to make decisions regarding access to resources based on a user’s status and privileges as controlled and released by the user’s home institution. This session will cover the general definition of federations, InCommon in the context of federations, the business problems that InCommon is attempting to solve, who is participating, general eligibility, governance, and future direction.
12:00–1:30 p.m.  
**Lunch**  
Sponsored by NASLA  
Monticello Ballroom

1:30–2:45 p.m.  
**CONCURRENT SESSIONS:**

- **Using XML Scripting for Business and Life**  
  **Moderator:** Bruce Marton, Associate Director of Student Information Systems, University of Texas at Austin; Steering Committee, PESC Standards Forum for Education; AACRAO SPEEDE Committee  
  **Speaker:** David Webber, XML Consultant, National Institute of Health (NIH)  
  Learn how to use freely available tools from Google and Open Source to automate your business and life tasks. See how the RSS XML underneath Blogs can power group collaboration tools and turn email into a group knowledge base/coordination system. See how to use your own XML scripts for slideshows and learning/tutorial systems with graphics and photographs. See how XML scripts run voice response menu systems such as 1-800-TELLME. Understand how to automate information integration systems using open source XML scripting to load data to/from database systems and the importance of understanding context and roles to keep processes simple and clear.

- **Regulatory Changes and Technology Based Solutions**  
  **Moderator:** Kathleen Smith, President, Education Finance Council (EFC)  
  **Speakers:** Odette Franceskino, Director of Financial Aid, Quinnipiac University School of Law  
  Pamela Roda-Kline, Vice President, Loan Operations, AES  
  Valerie Sherrer, National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS), Office of Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education  
  The recent enactment of the Higher Education Reconciliation Act has led to a situation where the community will implement fairly complex changes within a limited timeframe. This panel will provide a highlight of upcoming changes from the perspective of an Institution of Higher Education, The Department of Education and the Guarantor/Lender/Servicers. The focus will be on how best to work together to implement these changes, with an emphasis on the use/impact to technology and systems.
The Data Transport Standard (DTS) is a comprehensive standard for the efficient and secure exchange of data between entities over the Internet. The standard is based on the use of a set of Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) that are available in Java, .Net and other computer language libraries. Additionally, a set of data elements have been defined that allows the sender and the receiver to communicate without ambiguity. This session will cover current state of version 1.0, x509 PKI issues with version 1.0, planned usage of DTS from student loan servicer’s and software developer’s perspectives with both Java and .NET implementations, work in progress — version 2.0 and next steps.

2:45–3:00 p.m. Break Sponsored by USA Funds Vista Ballroom Foyer

3:00–4:15 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS:

■ WARNING: Privacy and Data Breach Vista Ballroom A
Moderator: Mark Putman, Information Technology and Industry Standards Officer, NCHelp
Speaker: Joe Crouse, Legislative Counsel, Consumer Bankers Association

With security of access to systems and data on the forefront of everyone’s agenda, this session will provide an overview of state and federal privacy legislation and what you need to know to be in compliance and protect your customers.

■ Federal E-Authentication Federation Vista Ballroom B
Moderator: Georgia K. Marsh, Deputy Program Manager, U.S. General Services Administration
Speakers: Panel of GSA Partners

This session will provide an update on the government-wide electronic authentication service launched by the U.S. General Services Administration, featuring a panel comprised of Federal agency customers and commercial and government credential service providers.
Rob Abel, IMS’s new Chief Executive Officer, is working together with agencies and organizations around the world to coordinate their efforts. He has been asked to describe the principal agencies and organization, their projects, and the relationships he would like IMS to build. Their efforts will impact U.S. software suppliers, their software products, and therefore users throughout the world. He will also describe the reorganization and new initiatives of the IMS Global Learning Consortium as IMS broadens the participation in its work and productive relations with others.
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<td>This session will focus on promoting and improving your organization through the use of technology and standards. An overview of the PESC standards development process will also be included.</td>
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<td>Meteor and Mapping Your Future (MYF) have been collaborating to bring about new service offerings to the higher education community. This session will focus on how MYF utilized the technology developed by the Meteor project to incorporate real time data into their current online service offerings. Additionally, this session will describe how NY HESC, through a pilot implementation with Monroe College, was able to meet the demands of their schools for enhanced counseling services. This session will not only walk through the technical implementation of the enhance counseling experience designed by Meteor and MYF, but will also provide attendees with a framework for how their organizations may design similar web service offerings utilizing the Meteor software.</td>
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Standards Make the World Go Round
Moderator: Jennifer Kim, Membership Services Manager, PESC
Speaker: Michael Sessa, Executive Director, PESC

How do standards impact our every day life? How do standards affect our students, our programs and services? What if standards are not in place? This session will review the history of standards, discuss hidden expectations, and provide an update on where the education community stands with relation to standardization.

9:45–10:15 a.m. Break
Sponsored by infiNET

10:15–11:30 a.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS:

A Risk-Based Approach to Protecting Business Information
Moderator: Erin Rose, Vice President, Channel and Guarantor Management, Key Bank
Speakers: Debbie Cherry, Key Bank
Jeff Hittle, Key Bank

Fraud, identity theft, corporate malfeasance; all paint a scary picture for the people charged with protecting company information. Information can never be totally safe, totally protected or immune to danger, costs need to be controlled and the regulators are second guessing you. This session looks at a risk based approach to controlling internal access and protecting your business information whether it is stored in a file cabinet or a computer. Focused discussion of the risks of ineffective access control and the current regulatory environment, the principles of good access control, applying access controls to a computer application, and developing a control culture.

Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)
Moderator: Richard Henninger, Chief Software Architect, Datatel
Speakers: Mark Malinoski, Technical Coordinator/Web Development, American Education Services
David Sheesley, Priority Technologies, Inc.

The Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) buzz continues, but what is the reality of implementing an SOA? This session will cover SOA definitions, the current state of SOA, and the business climate surrounding it. Several higher education SOA pilots will also be highlighted. Enterprise Service Bus and Web Service technology concepts will be covered, as well as potential risks and recommendations.
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IPEDS Vista Ballroom C

Moderator: Monica Montoya, Director of Business Development, College and University Enrollment Services, The College Board

Speaker: Janice Plotczyk, Team Leader, IPEDS Data Collection, National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), U.S. Department of Education

Representatives from the U.S. Department of Education’s National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) will provide an update on the data collection system of the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). This session will review upcoming changes, report on current projects, and discuss planned improvements and enhancements. Staff will also demonstrate how IPEDS data can be easily accessed and used in addressing key needs for information, through the IPEDS web-based data use tools.

12:00–1:30 p.m. Lunch Monticello Ballroom

1:30–2:30 p.m. Keynote Session — Integrating Tradition and Technology Vista Ballroom

Moderator: Michael Sessa, Executive Director, PESC

Speaker: Diana G. Oblinger, Ph.D., Vice President, EDUCAUSE

Information technology has catalyzed the creation of new forms of communication, self-expression, and collaboration. The distributed cognition enabled by social networking, podcasting, and videoblogging aligns well with the habits of today’s learners. And, with the Web as learners’ information universe, no learner is ever far from information resources. This presentation explores how well education is keeping pace with user expectations, IT capabilities, learning principles, and cultural shifts.
2:30–2:45 p.m.  Break  
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2:45–3:45 p.m.  GENERAL SESSION: ESC, SPEEDE and Standards  
Forum for Education  
Vista Ballroom  

Moderator: Steve Biklen, Board of Directors, American Student Assistance (ASA), representing NASLA; Treasurer, PESC Board of Directors  
Speakers:  
  Robert King, Director of Industry Initiatives,  
  Citibank–Student Loan Corp; Co-Chair, NCHelp  
  Electronic Standards Committee (ESC); Steering Committee,  
  PESC Standards Forum for Education  
  Clare Smith-Larson, Systems Support Specialist,  
  Iowa State University; Chair, AACRAO SPEEDE Committee  
  Holly Hyland, Management Analyst, Integration Team,  
  Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education;  
  Chair, Steering Committee, PESC Standards Forum for Education  

This session will focus on updating attendees on activities and development efforts from the major standards organizations in higher education including current implementation efforts of XML-based transactions.

3:45–5:00pm  GENERAL SESSION: Open Source — The Next Wave  
Vista Ballroom  

Moderator: Jim Farmer, Coordinator, Sun Center for Excellence in Scholarly Information Architecture  
Speakers:  
  Charlie Leonhardt, Principal Technologist,  
  University Management Information Systems,  
  Georgetown University  
  Richard Spencer, Senior IT strategist, University of British Columbia  

Work has begun on the “third wave” of open source software development. Following open source software projects such as JA-SIG’s uPortal, Indiana University’s Kuali finance system, and the Sakai Foundation’s Sakai Collaborative learning environment, Indiana University is leading a study of the feasibility of an Open Source Student Services System. Richard Spencer, University of British Columbia (UBC), is a lead contributor on functionality. UBC is also leading in the development of Service Oriented Architecture design for the next generation of administrative systems for colleges and universities. Mr. Spencer will describe how all of these efforts relate. Georgetown University’s Charlie Leonhardt is focusing on the important effort to achieve interoperability of college and university systems. He will describe Georgetown’s new Center of Excellence in Scholarly Systems and the interoperability projects — spanning commercial and open source software — that could improve service and reduce IT costs. Both are focusing on how appropriate technology can contribute to the transformation of higher education.

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<td>As the need for authentication continues to expand, so does the reach of Shibboleth and the Liberty Alliance. Expert speakers will provide updates on both efforts and tell us the direction they are going.</td>
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<td>The XML Registry and Repository for the Education is the tool and location where PESC approved standards are stored. Standards are available free of charge and are open to the general public for viewing and use. This session will provide an overview of what the XML Registry and Repository is and how to use it.</td>
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- **High School XML Transcript**  Vista Ballroom A
  
  **Moderator:** Barry Billing, Business Analyst, Ontario College Application Services (OCAS); AACRAO SPEEDE Committee
  
  **Speakers:** Bruce Marton, Associate Director of SIS, University of Texas at Austin; Steering Committee, PESC Standards Forum for Education; AACRAO SPEEDE Committee
  
  Tom Stewart, AACRAO SPEEDE Committee
  
  With the recent approval as a PESC standard, this session will provide an overview and update on the XML High School Transcript, how it was developed, and how it can be implemented.

- **Federal Student Aid Update**  Vista Ballroom B
  
  **Moderator:** John Van Weeren, Product Manager, Reporting and Technology, Datatel
  
  **Speakers:** Federal Student Aid Representative
  
  Federal Student Aid will share with attendees highlights of current events, upcoming developments and future ventures. This session will give an overview of “what’s new” at Federal Student Aid.

- **e-Authentication: The Need for Public/Private Trust**  Vista Ballroom C
  
  **Moderator:** Michael Sessa, Executive Director, PESC
  
  **Speakers:** David Temoshok, Director, Identity Policy and Management, Office of Government-wide Policy, U.S. General Services Administration
  
  Government agencies, commercial entities, and non-government organizations are all working toward the common goal of effective and efficient interoperability. In this session Mr. Temoshok will discuss the federal government’s approach to providing interoperable authentication and update attendees on activities related to the Electronic Authentication Partnership (EAP), a multi-industry partnership working on the vital task of enabling interoperability among public and private e-authentication systems.
Dr. Diana G. Oblinger is Vice President for EDUCAUSE, responsible for the association’s teaching and learning activities and the director of the EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative. EDUCAUSE is a nonprofit association whose mission is to advance higher education by promoting the intelligent use of information technology. The current membership comprises nearly 2,000 colleges, universities and education organizations, including 180 corporations. She also serves as an Adjunct Professor of Adult and Higher Education at North Carolina State University.

Dr. Oblinger has held positions in business and academia. She served as the Vice President for Information Resources and the Chief Information Officer for the 16-campus University of North Carolina system where she was responsible for strategic planning and policy development for information technology as well as for collaborative programs in teaching and learning, student services, and IT procurement. She was on the faculty at the University of Missouri-Columbia and at Michigan State University. At the University of Missouri, she served as an academic dean and was recognized for her work in student recruitment, retention, faculty development and student computing. In addition, she served as a Senior Fellow for the EDUCAUSE Center for Applied Research.

While employed by two major technology firms, Oblinger continued her focus on higher education. At Microsoft she served as the Executive Director of Higher Education. She also held a variety of management positions within IBM’s higher education division. In addition, she was the IBM Director of the Institute for Academic Technology.

Known for her leadership in teaching and learning with technology as well as distributed learning, she serves on a variety of boards including the National Science Foundation’s Directorate of Education and Human Resources, the National Academies Forum on Information Technology and Research Universities, and the editorial board of Open Learning. She chairs the National Visiting Committee for the National Science Digital Library project for National Science Foundation. Dr. Oblinger has testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on Employment, Safety and Training and the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Technology.

Oblinger is a frequent keynote speaker as well as the co-author of the book What Business Wants from Higher Education which received the 1999 Frandson Award for best literature in continuing education. She is co-editor of six books: The Learning Revolution, The Future Compatible Campus, Renewing Administration, E is for Everything, Best Practices in Student Services, and Educating the Net Generation. She is the author or co-author of dozens of monographs and articles on higher education and technology.

Dr. Oblinger has received outstanding teaching and research awards and was named Young Alumnus of the Year by Iowa State University. She holds three degrees from Iowa State University: a B.S. in Botany, an M.S. in Plant Breeding and a Ph.D. in Plant Breeding and Cytogenetics. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and Sigma Xi.
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