

ACE Institute 2017: Program-at-a-Glance

Monday, July 17

The Youth Cohort (CHS Foundation scholarship recipients and other students) are invited to meet in West Hall at Regis University. (7:00 p.m.)

Other participants are invited to an informal get together at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Denver-Westminster (8773 Yates Drive) (7:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, July 18

9:00-10:30

Registration, Information Tables open
Outside Mountain View Room

10:30-11:30

ACE Annual Meeting (all are welcome)
Mountain View Room

11:30-12:00

Break

12:00-1:00

Official Opening of the 2017 ACE Institute; La Coop Fédérée Luncheon
Mountain View Room

12:45-1:15

Community Wealth Building and Cooperation

Bill Stevenson, Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Cooperative Development Center
Yessica Holguin, Community Wealth Building Network of Metro Denver

1:15-1:30

Break

1:30-2:15

KEYNOTE: Community Wealth Building: Path to a Democratic Economy

Steve Dubb, Senior Fellow The Democracy Collaborative

2:15-3:15

Opportunities through Cooperation and Collaboration in Native American Communities

Jackie Francke, First Nations Development Institute
Elwood Pahi, Nahata Dził 14R Ranch Corporation Board of Directors President

3:15-3:30

Break

3:30-5:00

PANEL: Innovating Education for Youth

Jonathan Rodríguez Burgos Liga de Cooperativas de Puerto Rico
Oscar Colón Rivera, Cooperativa de Seguros Múltiples
Gladys Bezares, MediCoop
Lucas N. Avilés-Rodríguez, University of Puerto Rico in Mayagüez

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5:15-10:00

OPTIONAL OUTING: Coors Field

Ticket Holders: Meet at the Registration Desk outside Mountain View Room to travel to the baseball game at 5:30 p.m.



Wednesday, July 19

9:00-10:15

KEYNOTE: Democratic Design for the Online Economy

Mountain View Room

Nathan Schneider, *University of Colorado Boulder*

10:15-10:30

Break

10:30-11:45

Concurrent Workshops (choose one)

Platform Coops: A Model Business Structure

Mountain View Room

Jason Wiener, *attorney and co-op developer, Boulder, Colorado*

Looking at Power in Our Cooperatives' Processes

Claver Hall, Room 306

Charlotte Root, *Round Sky Solutions*

11:45-12:30

Lunch

Mountain View Room

12:30-1:00

Sound Off – Open Mic opportunity

Mountain View Room

1:00-2:15

Concurrent Workshops (choose one)

Generating a Co-op Conscience ... Next Generation

Mountain View Room

Richard A. "Rick" Petty, *Logan County Electric Cooperative, Ohio*

Cooperatives and Cooperation at the University

Claver Hall, Room 306

Ali Aslam, Azulina Green and Savannah Harriman-Pote, *Holyoke College, Massachusetts*

2:15-2:30

Break

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2:30-3:10 Concurrent Workshops (choose one)

Models for Cooperation among Cooperatives
Mountain View Room

Thomas W. Gray, *USDA, Rural Business-Cooperative Business, Washington, D.C.*

Needs Assessment for Co-op Specific Education and Training

Josée Charbonneau, *Université de Sherbrooke, Quebec*

CENet: Cooperative Education Platform
Claver Hall, Room 306

Josh Davis, *Grassroots Economic Organizing, Missoula, Montana*

3:10-5:00 Concurrent Workshops (choose one)

Colorado Co-ops Study Circle: Co-learning by and for Cooperators
Co-op Mentorship and Leadership Development Models
Mountain View Room

Caroline Savery, *Denver*

Paul Bindel, *Rocky Mountain Employee Ownership Center, Colorado*
Amy Lynn Herman, *Full Stack Events*

The Importance of Writing Practice in Cooperatives
Claver Hall, Room 306

Avery Edenfield, *Utah State University*

7:00-9:30 ACE Awards Banquet

Mountain View Room

Thursday, July 20

(NOTE THAT THIS DAY STARTS AT THE DOUBLETREE DENVER-WESTMINSTER AND WILL NOT BE AT CLAVER HALL, REGIS UNIVERSITY.)
Those who are staying at the university will be picked up at 7:45 a.m. and returned to the university at 4:30 after the tours.

8:00 CoBank Breakfast

Participants are invited to breakfast at the DoubleTree Denver-Westminster, 8773 Yates Dr. **Free parking.**

8:30-9:30 PANEL DISCUSSION: Methods & Challenges for Engaging Millennials in our Cooperative Culture

Moderator:
Rod Kelsay, *Treasurer, ACE Board of Directors*
Panelists:
Dan Terrill, *CoBank*
Sarah Spivey, *FCC Services*
Jessica Kueffer, *MFA Incorporated*

9:30-9:45 Break

9:45-10:15 CoBank's History and Future

Dan Terrill, *CoBank*

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10:15-10:45	Namasté Solar – Creating a Cooperative Ecosystem	Blake Jones , <i>Co-founder</i>
10:45-11:15	Questions & Answers	
11:15-11:30	Break	
11:30	Board Bus for Mobile Learning Session (Study Tour)	Tour will return by 4:30 p.m. to Regis University and the DoubleTree hotel. Lunch is included.

Friday, July 21

All Sessions will be held in Regis University's Claver Hall Room 315

9:00-9:30	KEYNOTE: The Future of Members-Becoming-Directors	William J. Nelson , <i>Independent Scholar, Minnesota</i>
9:30-10:15	INTERACTIVE SESSION: Passing Along Passion for Education in Co-ops	<i>Youth Cohort</i>
10:15-10:30	Break	
10:30-11:00	User, Owner, Coop: Mapping the Learning Journey for Tech Startups Converting into Platform Cooperatives	Jason Wiener , <i>attorney and co-op developer, Boulder, Colorado</i> Danny Spitzberg , <i>Peak Agency, Oakland</i>
11:00-11:30	Co-op Equity and Governance	Rod Kelsay , <i>Mid America Cooperative Council, Indiana</i>
11:30-12:00	Wrapup Discussion: What's Next?	<i>Facilitated by</i> William Nelson
12:00	Lunch and Adjournment	