



# Call to Conference

## New York College Learning Skills Association Symposium 2023 *All Our Voices: We Are Better Together*

Syracuse, New York March 12 - 13, 2023

The New York College Learning Skills Association (NYCLSA) Symposium will be held at Embassy Suites by Hilton (adjacent to Destiny Mall) in Syracuse, New York Sunday, March 12 – Monday, March 13, 2023.

Hotel room rate is \$139 a night (single or double) **use code NC1**  
(discount rate is available Saturday March 11, Sunday March 12, and Monday March 13)  
315.313.1650

***\*\*Please note: If your institution is tax exempt, you MUST provide a tax-exempt form in advance or at check-in, as well as an institutionally-provided check, purchase order, or credit card. The hotel CANNOT accept your own personal check or credit card and give the tax-exempt status to you, even if you will be reimbursed by your institution, and even if you have the institutional tax-exempt certificate. The form of payment must exactly match the tax exempt form. We totally recommend that you take care of this in advance rather than at the front desk!***

### Coming Together for the NYCLSA 2023 Symposium!

Are you tired? Discouraged? Being asked to do more than one job? Desperately trying to hire more staff? In need of some support and understanding – and ideas on how to bring some balance back into your life?

**NYCLSA is the place to come together with others who understand *exactly* what your professional life is like.** We had a small conference last year in Corning; we will have a more robust conference in March 2023. Do come. Come to find support from others; to be reinvigorated; to hear about increasing student motivation; to reflect on self-care with the Oneida Nation Faithkeeper).

We have accepted sessions on teaching and advising; leveraging early alerts to better aid students' success; affirming learning spaces and reaching our post-COVID students; digital stories and scaffolding in teaching/learning; ways to improve and ease tutor training; ways for a program to increase tutoring availability, diversity, and the importance of mental health factors.

Come early to see the St. Patrick's Day Parade; catch a Pops Concert, cheer on the Syracuse Crunch ice hockey team; have dinner at a local restaurant with other NYCLSA attendees, do the ropes course at Destiny Mall, or just shop -the hotel is just steps away from Destiny Mall. Do come – and bring a colleague!

### Sponsors

These vendors have graciously agreed to be sponsors for our NYCLSA Symposium. Please visit their booths, attend their presentations, and consider using their products.

**Platinum Sponsors** include (1) Engineerica (<https://www.engineerica.com/>) is providing the conference app (Conference Tracker). Engineerica provides multiple services for retention and engagement. Examples include Accudemia: AccuCampus; and AccuClass.

(2) Tutor.com, (<https://www.tutor.com/>) provides supplementary support for tutoring programs and will be launching a new product at our conference! Tutor.com has provided our conference bags and pens and is sponsoring part of our Monday Luncheon.

**Silver Sponsors** include Innovative Educators, Hawkes Learning, and GoSchoolbox.  
**Other** - Trac.Cloud (RedRock Software) has also sent pens.

*Please be sure to visit and say thank you to all our sponsors!*

## Highlights

- This year’s Monday AM two-hour session will be Dr. Saundra McGuire, “Using all Our Voices to Teach Students How to Learn” <https://faculty.lsu.edu/smcgui1/> Dr. McGuire will also be available to sign copies of her books: *Teach Yourself to Learn*; and *Teach Students How to Learn*. **Please see the registration form to pre-order.**
- Dr McGuire’s keynote, during Monday’s luncheon, will be “Metacognitive Equity: The Key to Closing Higher Education’s Achievement Gap.”
- Our Sunday speaker will be Dr. Geoff Bailey on "Developing Next Generation Data Analysis for Learning Centers".
- And our Sunday night welcome will be from our President, Nichole LaGrow, on “When the Well Runs Dry: Reaffirming the Importance of Self Care.”

## Meals and Times

IF YOU ARE COMING EARLY, please know that Embassy provides Saturday cocktails and hors d’oeuvres from 5:30-7:30, in the lobby. Dinner is on your own - the hotel does have a restaurant and there are plenty in Destiny Mall. Sunday breakfast is 7:00-10:00 am, again in the lobby.

Sunday conference meals include an afternoon coffee break, cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, and a buffet dinner. The Sunday registration table opens at 11AM, with sessions beginning at 1:00. Cocktails begin at 5:30; dinner at 6:15. (Times may vary slightly).

Monday conference meals include morning and afternoon coffee breaks and a buffet lunch. The Monday registration table opens at 7:30; breakfast for hotel guests 6:30-9:30. (We will also have a coffee event in the morning for day hoppers and late risers). Saundra McGuire’s main presentation will begin at 8AM. (Times may vary slightly).

## Registration Fees and Dates

1. Consider donating to the student scholarship
2. Consider pre-ordering a book (see below)

12/6/2022	<p><b>Symposium Registration Begins</b></p> <p><b>Included in registration: Sunday includes break, hors d’oeuvres, and dinner. Monday includes breakfast, two breaks, and lunch.</b></p> <p><b>Sessions on Sunday begin at 1:00PM; Monday starts at 8AM</b></p>
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2/17/2023	<p><b>Regular Registration Deadline for Sunday only</b></p> <p><b>Member Fee:</b> \$145</p> <p><b>New Member Fee:</b> \$165 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$85</p> <p><b>New Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$100 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Student/Graduate Student Fee:</b> \$85 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p>
2/17/2023	<p><b>Regular Registration Deadline for Monday only</b></p> <p><b>Member Fee:</b> \$185</p> <p><b>New Member Fee:</b> \$205 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$80</p> <p><b>New Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$95 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Student/Graduate Student Fee:</b> \$80 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p>
2/17/23	<p><b>Registration Deadline for Full Symposium (Sunday and Monday)</b></p> <p><b>Member Fee:</b> \$270</p> <p><b>New Member Fee:</b> \$290 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$150</p> <p><b>New Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$165 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Student/Graduate Student Fee:</b> \$150 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p>
3/13/2023	<p><b>On-site Registration Sunday only</b></p> <p><b>Member Fee:</b> \$165</p> <p><b>New Member Fee:</b> \$185 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$95</p> <p><b>New Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee:</b> \$110 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Student Member Fee:</b> \$95 <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p>

3/13/2023	<p><b>On-site Registration Monday only</b></p> <p><b>Member Fee: \$200</b></p> <p><b>New Member Fee: \$220</b> <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee: \$90</b></p> <p><b>New Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee: \$105</b> <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Student/Graduate Student Fee: \$90</b> <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p>
3/12/2023	<p><b>On-site Registration Deadline for Full Symposium (Sunday and Monday) Member Fee: \$300</b></p> <p><b>New Member Fee: \$320</b> <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee: \$160</b></p> <p><b>New Part-time/Adjunct and Retired Member Fee: \$175</b> <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p> <p><b>Student/Graduate Student Fee: \$160</b> <i>(includes a discounted membership, good to 6.30.23)</i></p>
Donation	<p><b>Student Scholarship Donation: _____</b></p>
<p><b>Special Purchase #1</b> <b>Advance Book Purchase</b></p>	<p>We have preordered a limited supply of Sandra McGuire’s book, <i>Teach Students How to Learn</i>. The regular price for a new book is \$37.50; you may purchase at NYCLSA’s special conference discounted price of \$28.00 per copy.</p> <p>Indicate Number of copies: _____</p> <p>Payment included: (\$28 x number of books) = _____</p> <p><b>If paying by check, please add these totals to your amount. If using PayPal, we will add the amount indicated to your total.</b></p>
<p><b>Special Purchase #2</b> <b>Advance Book Purchase</b></p>	<p>We have preordered a limited supply of Sandra McGuire’s book, <i>Teach Yourself How to Learn</i>. The regular price for a new book is \$22.00; you may purchase at NYCLSA’s special conference discounted price of \$18.00 per copy.</p> <p>Indicate Number of copies: _____</p> <p>Payment included: (\$18 x number of books) = _____</p> <p><b>If paying by check, please add these totals to your amount. If using PayPal, we will add the amount indicated to your total.</b></p>

**Note: At all events, NYCLSA will follow all state and local requirements for masking. We remind everyone to be respectful of others’ choices.**

# Register NOW – Regular Registration

## Saturday Events: Come Early; Stay Late



***Come to the NYCLSA Symposium a day early (Sat., March 11, 2023) to enjoy some great events and an additional opportunity to meet other folks attending the conference. Spouses, partners, and kids are welcome to join!***

**Sat., March 11, noon:** Syracuse's **St. Patrick's Day parade**, <https://www.syracusestpatricksparade.org/>. If you'd like to attend with other NYCLSA members, contact Sharon Green at [sgreen24@juno.com](mailto:sgreen24@juno.com) or 716-834-3270 by Wednesday, March 8. She will try to organize a group.

**Sat., March 11:** 11:00 am-4:00 pm: Visit the **Ska-nonh Great Law of Peace Center**, 6680 Onondaga Parkway, in nearby Liverpool, NY. This Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) Heritage Center tells the story of the native peoples of central New York. See <https://www.skanonhcenter.org/>.

**Sat., March 11, 5:00 pm:** **Dinner at 317@Montgomery** (<https://317atmontgomery.com/>) or **Ale & Angus Pub** (<http://alenanguspub.com/>), both in close walking distance to the two events below. A "Sign & Dine" will be available a few weeks before the conference. After dinner, enjoy one of these events:

**Sat., March 11, 7:30 pm: Musical performance: "Symphoria Masterworks IV: American Voices"** at the Crouse Hinds Theater (at The OnCenter Civic Center Theaters), 421 Montgomery St., Syracuse, NY 13202. See <https://downtownsyracuse.com/events/symphoria-masterworks-vi-american-voices-03-11-2023-2>. **15 tickets at the reduced price of \$20** each have been reserved for us. Get yours before they're gone! To reserve and pay for your ticket, contact Emily Bass at 315-299-5598, ext. 1 or [ebass@experiencesymphoria.org](mailto:ebass@experiencesymphoria.org). **If you reserve a ticket, let us know so we have a headcount for our group.** (Do *not* order tickets through the website because you won't get the NYCLSA discount. Be sure to order them through Emily Bass at the contact information above.)



**Sat., March 11, 7:00 pm: Syracuse Crunch Hockey game** at the Syracuse at OnCenter at War Memorial, 411 Montgomery Street, downtown Syracuse. See <https://syracusecrunch.com>. The Syracuse Crunch will play their rival, the Rochester Americans. Tickets are \$27; NYCLSA can get a group rate of \$20 per ticket if we have a group of 10 or more. If you're interested, contact Sharon Green at [sgreen24@juno.com](mailto:sgreen24@juno.com) or 716-834-3270 by February 28.

**Any time while in Syracuse:** Visit **Destiny Mall**, just steps away from our conference hotel (Embassy Suites). Destiny is full of stores, restaurants, and fun attractions, including the tallest ropes course in the US. See <https://www.destinyusa.com/directory> and <https://www.wonderworksonline.com/destiny/>.

**Just for fun while in Syracuse:** Check out the world's only upside-down traffic light in Syracuse's original Irish neighborhood! See <https://uncoveringnewyork.com/upside-down-traffic-light-syracuse>.

*Note: Because you'll be attending the NYCLSA Symposium, you can get the Embassy Suites' special conference room rate of \$139/night on Sat., March 11 as well as Sun., March 12 and Mon., March 13.*

*Also, hotel guests can enjoy free hors d'oeuvres, beer, & wine daily from 5:30-7:30 pm and free breakfast from 6:30-9:30 am on weekdays and 7:00-10:00 am on weekends. These are wonderful opportunities to mix and mingle with other folks at the symposium!*

## **Hope to See You There!**

### **Conference Co-Chairs**

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### **Conference Committee Chairs**

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