ADLA

ASSOCIATE DEAN
LEADERSHIP ACCELERATOR
THRIVING IN THE MIDDLE

Associate Dean* Leadership Accelerator

February 14-16, 2027

San Antonio, Texas

An immersive orientation to the
transformational work of Associate Deaning

*ADLA is open to leaders with various titles (e.g., Assistant Dean, Associate Provost, etc.) working in-between faculty and senior leadership

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Are you a new(ish) Assistant /Associate Dean?
Do you wish there was a manual for the job?
Would you like a network of colleagues in this role?

Join the 2027 cohort of the Associate Dean Leadership Accelerator (ADLA)

Learn about the job of Associate Deaning
Develop and enhance critical professional skills
Join a cohort; build a network of support

"ADLA fundamentally changed the way I think about my role."
ADLA 2025 participant



Practical instruction



Engaging case studies, lively interaction



Good food and laughter

(Details on Reverse Side)

Associate Dean Leadership Accelerator--Details

"ADLA gave me tools to understand the tensions that exist with leading from the middle"
ADLA 2026 participant

In-Person Experience

- Begins with reception on Sunday (Feb. 14)
  - Early reception (4-5 p.m.) allows you to choose (a) ACAD/ADLA Super Bowl watch party, (b) nice Valentine's dinner at a local restaurant, or (c) return to room to recover from traveling
- All-day engagement on Monday and Tuesday--ending with dinner on Tuesday
- ADLA wraps up in time for the ACAD annual meeting

Build Your Network of Associate Deans

- Cohort size: 24 spaces available
- Cohort engagements throughout the year
- Opportunity for professional coaching

Relevant Topics

- **Adapting** to this job's unique demands
- **Learning** how academic institutions work
- **Growing** in your skills (collaborating with faculty, communicating effectively, resolving conflicts, running meetings)
- **Leading** from the middle--making a difference

APPLY TO JOIN THE 2027 COHORT

Application Form: https://tinyurl.com/ADLA2027Application

Program Fee: $3500

- *Includes materials and all meals*
- *Participants are responsible for travel, lodging*
- *ACAD discounts, limited scholarships available*

Early Bird rate: $3200
(for applications by November 9)

Application Deadline: December 15

- *Rolling review of applications til cohort fills*

QUESTIONS? Reach out to Information@ADLA324.com

ADLA FACILITATORS: Over 30 years of Associate Dean experience



Nick Metz
Associate Provost for Faculty Afrairs and Development
Hobart and William Smith Colleges



Jim Sloat
Senior Associate Provost
Colby College



Kim Specht
Senior Associate Provost
Denison University

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Partnering in Support of Academic Leaders

The Associate Dean Leadership Accelerator reflects an ongoing partnership with ACAD to provide resources and support to Assistant/Associate Deans.

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