

## NEACAC eBlast

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### Nomination Process is Now Open for 2012 NEACAC Officers

The NEACAC Nominating Committee is pleased to announce that the nomination process for new officers and NACAC Assembly Delegates is now open at [www.neacac.org](http://www.neacac.org) and will be available through November 15.

Nominations are available for the following positions:

President-elect (from the college side)

Treasurer- elect (1 year term followed by a 2 year term as Treasurer)

NACAC Assembly Delegates (from the college and secondary school side and are a 3 year term)

The ideal candidate(s) include College admission and secondary school counseling professionals who have:

- Served on a NEACAC committee(s) as member or in a leadership capacity;
- Attended and participated in a number of NEACAC programs and events over a number of years;
- Been actively involved as a member or leader in another professional association related to the college transition process.

Please consider nominating yourself, a fellow NEACAC member, or someone who has relevant professional leadership experience in your state or in our region. For more information you may contact Nominating Committee Chair, David L. Hautanen, Jr, at [d.hautanen@neu.edu](mailto:d.hautanen@neu.edu)

To submit a nomination, visit [www.neacac.org](http://www.neacac.org), login into the *Members Only* area, click on the *Governance* tab, and then the *Call for Nominations* link.

### 2012 Grant Season is Now Open... Apply for a NACAC Imagine Grant TODAY!

Application Deadline: December 1, 2011

NACAC Imagine Grants offer financial support to individuals or NACAC affiliates that assist students in the transition to college. These grants are intended to provide assistance to individuals who might otherwise be unable to participate in professional development opportunities... or to support new and innovative programs. Projects and programs funded by a NACAC Imagine Grant are those that can serve as models for other organizations and institutions.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must assist students in the college transition process.
- Affiliate associations may request funds to support innovative local programs to serve students and/or the profession.
- Applicants must design a new program, spearhead a new initiative, or be a first-time attendee of a professional development activity. (Only in rare cases will grants be awarded for the same purpose, to the same individual(s) or affiliate(s) more than one time.)

- Applicants must be members of their Affiliate association.

Grant Funds May Be Used For:

- Membership Dues for either NACAC or Affiliate membership.
- Registration Fees, travel, lodging (double occupancy) and conference fees related to attendance at NACAC and Affiliate professional development programs including annual conferences (meals or other expenses may not be included.)
- Expenses associated with the development and implementation of special projects such as design, printing and postage as well as for event expenses such as food, venue rental and audio-visual equipment, transportation, etc.

Additional Information:

- This grant cycle is only for events and projects that will take place in 2012. No proposals are being accepted for projects or events taking place in 2011.
- Grant decisions will be made in February 2012 and are for funding awards through November 1, 2012.

Important Application Information:

- [Apply for a Special Project - Imagine Grant](#)
- [Apply for a Professional Development - Imagine Grant](#)
- [Imagine Grants Program Description](#)
- For additional information please visit the [Imagine Grants](#) section of the NACAC website.

Application Deadline is December 1, 2011!

For more program information, contact Yanecia Green, Assistant Director of Membership and Affiliate Relations.

This program is sponsored by the Imagine Fund—to contribute, visit [www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org).

## NEACAC Colleagues Recognized at National Conference

The *Excellence in Government Relations Award* is presented to a NACAC member who has made outstanding efforts in support of policy initiatives that promote equal access to higher education, encourage student achievement, promote counselor excellence, and further the government relations priorities of NACAC.

This year NACAC honored Bob Bardwell who has been a dedicated and passionate government relations leader throughout the New England Region. Bob is a school counselor as well as Director of Guidance and Student Support Services at Monson High School in Monson, Massachusetts.

Bob has served as a member of the Government Relations Committee and has used his positions within NEACAC, The Massachusetts School Counselors Association, and the American School Counselors Association as an opportunity to bring these organizations together to advocate for school counselors and the important role they play as their students navigate through elementary, middle, and high school, graduating ready to take on the demands of higher education. He has also been instrumental in creating an annual *Day on the Hill* in Boston each March as a joint effort among many organizations that have come together as the Massachusetts Coalition for School Counseling to work with legislators to introduce legislation that pertains to school counselors. As a result of his efforts to also support advocacy efforts in other states and regions, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Connecticut have all begun to further explore the possibilities of developing coalitions and effectively advocating for school counselors in their respective states.

The *Rising Star Award* is presented annually to individuals within their profession showing significant contributions to their own organization as well as their regional affiliate.

This year the award goes to Bill Jack, Assistant Director of Admission and Financial Aid for Colby College in Waterville, Maine. In a period of just four short years, Bill has served on the NEACAC Professional Development Committee, the Annual Meeting and Conference Committee, and in his current role as Chair of the Communication Services Committee. He continues to show commitment and dedication as he assumes the role of co-chair of the NEACAC Students in Admission Forum this Fall.

## The Ins and Outs of Getting In

Only two left this fall—don't miss out on this outstanding program!

Accepted, Deferred, Wait Listed, Denied. We all know the terms inside and out but how do Admissions Offices actually reach those decisions? *The Ins and Outs of Getting In* workshop is meant to give secondary school counselors an insider's perspective on how different colleges and universities make their admissions decisions, what factors influence an admissions outcome, how colleges review transcripts and utilize standardized testing scores, and hopefully answer the most popular question at a college fair: "what does it take to get into your school?"

Choose from multiple program locations and dates all immediately following the College Board fall counselor workshop from 1pm – 4pm:

- October 13, 2011 at Endicott College, Beverly, MA
- October 20, 2011 at College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

This program is free for NEACAC members. Secondary school counselors who are not yet NEACAC members can choose to join NEACAC for \$25 and register for free or pay a \$25 registration fee for the program alone. Independent counselors who are not already NEACAC members can pay \$25 for the program alone; if you choose to apply for NEACAC membership and your application is approved, NEACAC will reimburse your \$25 program fee. The cost for membership for an Independent Counselor is \$60.00. CEU credits will be available for participants.

To register, go to <http://www.neacac.org/iaooqi.cfm>. Sign up today--registration for Endicott closes on October 5th and for College of the Holy Cross on October 13th. Please contact [insandouts@neacac.org](mailto:insandouts@neacac.org) with questions. See you this fall!

The Ins and Outs of Getting In is presented by the NEACAC Professional Development Committee.

## New Timeline for Bids to Host the Annual Meeting and Conference

Is your institution considering a bid to host the 2014 Annual Meeting and Conference? Don't miss this opportunity to highlight your institution for NEACAC's largest event!

Keep an eye out this winter for the application because the timeline for submitting a bid has changed. The bid application process to host the 2014 Annual Meeting and Conference will be open from January 10, 2012 to April 11, 2012. For a more detailed timeline of the process, please visit: [https://www.neacac.org/am\\_host.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/am_host.cfm).

Any questions on the bid process can be directed to Andrew Rosabianca, AMC Committee Chair, at [a.rosabianca@neu.edu](mailto:a.rosabianca@neu.edu).

## Margaret Addis Memorial Scholarship Nominations

The IDEA committee is seeking nominations for the *Margaret Addis Memorial Scholarship (MAMS) Program* for this year's Annual Meeting at the University of New England in Biddeford, ME. *MAMS* recipients also qualify for a year's free membership to NEACAC.

If you or someone you know meet the criteria (information is available on the NEACAC webpage) and would accept this opportunity, if offered, please take a few moments to apply or nominate the person. You may also nominate yourself. A link to the application can be found under the *Awards* section on the NEACAC main webpage.

Both applications and nominations are strongly encouraged. Nominations are due Monday, December 5th.

If you would like to learn more about this program, or if you have questions, please visit the NEACAC webpage or contact Anne Goodeve, IDEA Committee Member, at [agoodeve@spfldcol.edu](mailto:agoodeve@spfldcol.edu). The direct link to the nomination form is [https://www.neacac.org/awards\\_addis\\_nom.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/awards_addis_nom.cfm).

## 2012 Annual Meeting and Conference - Call for Session Proposals

The 2012 Annual Meeting and Conference will be held at University of New England from May 30 – June 1. The Programming Committee is seeking your support in submitting session proposals. Proposals are rolling in, so don't miss your chance at presenting at next year's conference!

To submit a proposal, please visit: [https://www.neacac.org/am\\_csp.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/am_csp.cfm).

For questions regarding session proposals, please contact Programming Co-Chairs Carmen Pérez at [cperez5@providence.edu](mailto:cperez5@providence.edu) or Jackie Haas at [jhaas@wheelock.edu](mailto:jhaas@wheelock.edu).

## Did you Know?

### Membership Certificates

NEACAC no longer prints and mails Membership Certificates to members. Each member is able to access the certificate online by logging into the website and going to the *Members Only* section and in the drop down menu there is a tab for *Membership Certificate*. The certificate is ready for the new 2011/12 membership cycle.

### Forgot your Username and Password?

Go to [https://www.neacac.org/ms\\_password.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/ms_password.cfm) to access the information

You can advertise professionally relevant programming to the NEACAC membership by submitting events to the online calendar. Just go to: [https://www.neacac.org/ce\\_submit.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/ce_submit.cfm) to submit your program for approval.

## Join NEACAC On Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn

Busy? Stay connected to NEACAC with ease! Join the Facebook group "NEACAC" to receive messages, connect with other college admissions professionals, and more. Follow NEACAC on Twitter and receive updates about activities NEACAC conducts in New England and the latest news in the profession!

## Acronyms of the Month

AMC: Annual Meeting and Conference

ED: Early Decision

NEACRAO: New England Association of College Registrars and Admission Officers

QPA: Quality Point Average

FERPA: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

NCAA: National Collegiate Athletic Association

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