

LSLW Frequently Asked Questions

Why should I attend? The LSLW is designed to help leaders of local sections learn more about leadership, meet AIChE's support staff, and learn practical ideas that have worked successfully in other local sections. The LSLW would be valuable to new leaders as well as experienced ones. We want to develop leaders for local sections large and small from all over the world.

How will I benefit? The prime benefit is the training that you will receive. Come and learn from people who are successful leaders and passionate about leadership. Come and meet colleagues from across the country that have accepted or are involved in the same types of leadership positions as you are. Learn from those who have been successful leaders in AIChE. Come and meet the leaders at the highest level of AIChE including the AIChE president Otis Shelton and your AIChE support system consisting of Barb McDonald and Monica Stowe.

When is the conference? The LSLW starts Saturday, March 29 at 8:00 am with breakfast and continues through noon on Sunday, March 30.

Where is the conference? The LSLW will be held at [Hilton New Orleans – Riverside](#) as will the 2014 AIChE Spring Meeting.

What is the conference cost? The registration fee is \$150. The conference fee includes breakfast, lunch and an evening reception on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. [Registration](#) is online. [Travel grants](#) are available to defray costs.

What will I be learning? Best practices for local section governance, how to maintain your section's finances, tailoring program planning to increase meeting attendance, and more! Review the [workshop agenda](#) for more details.

What if my section is struggling? You are not alone. This LSLW is perfect for you. We hope you will return home from the LSLW with a renewed sense that improving your group is not just possible but it is going to happen. You'll learn the best practices of others who have gone through what you are experiencing. You'll bring back tools that will help you to attract other leaders to help you.

What do past attendees say?

"The realization that if there is a problem facing a local section, odds are that one of the other local sections has dealt with some variation on the problem in the past. AIChE Local Sections need to flex and adapt with the times, and the local Section leaders need to be constantly looking outside the box." – Tina T.

"I learned the basics of running a local section in any stage of success; really got a lot out of the section programming and activities presentation, and also the basics of non-profit accounting procedures." – Sidney B.