



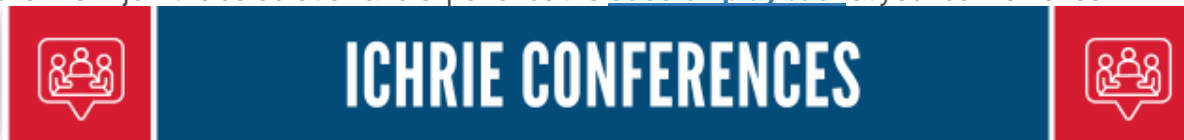
ICHRIE Celebrates 50 Years of JHTR

Landmark Anniversary Webinar

On Friday, 17 April 2025, the **Journal of Hospitality & Tourism Research (JHTR)** celebrated **50 years** of advancing scholarship and shaping the future of hospitality and tourism research with a special anniversary webinar, “The Evolution of JHTR: Current Realities and Future Directions in Hospitality & Tourism Research.” The session brought together academic and industry leaders and welcomed more than 100 attendees to reflect on the journal’s legacy and explore emerging trends influencing the field.

We extend our sincere thanks to our distinguished panelists, Dr. Anna Mattila and Dr. Jim Butler; our moderators, Dr. Woody Kim, and Dr. Minwoo Lee; and the JHTR 50th Anniversary Inaugural Webinar Organizing Committee, Dr. Lu Lu, Dr. Amit Sharma, Dr. Jenna Lee, Dr. Jade Shi, Dr. Woody Kim, Dr. Cindy Heo, Dr. Choongbeom CB Choi, and Dr. Minwoo Lee, for their leadership and valuable contributions. We also sincerely appreciate all who joined us in recognizing five decades of impact in hospitality and tourism research.

Did you miss this milestone event? The full webinar is now available on the ICHRIE YouTube channel—join the celebration and experience the [session playback](#) at your convenience.





The buzz is getting louder and the excitement is building! A huge thank you to everyone who submitted Signature Drink ideas, your creativity brought the wow, and we will be announcing the winning sip soon. Have you ever been to Las Vegas? We are crafting exciting add-on experiences that let you dive into the industry, the energy of the Strip, and the heart of hospitality. Stay tuned; this conference is stacking the deck for something unforgettable! 📱 ✨

2026 ICHRIE Global Conference + West Federation Conference

Event Registration Open



Get ready to design your Las Vegas adventure! 📱 ✨ ICHRIE + West Federation Conferences are coming together in Las Vegas—bringing energy, innovation, and collaboration to the global stage of hospitality and tourism education. From dynamic sessions to impactful networking, this is where ideas, research, and industry connections take center stage. [Register](#) for the ICHRIE Global Conference, the West Federation Conference, or GO ALL IN and join us at BOTH!

Are you registered for #ICHRIE2026?

Share the news!



Registration for #ICHRIE2026 is now open, and we encourage you to secure your spot and be part of this global gathering in Las Vegas. By sharing your attendance on social media, you help build momentum, strengthen our community, and inspire colleagues and students to join. Together, we can amplify the impact of the conference and continue advancing hospitality and tourism education. [CLICK HERE](#) to get your graphic and content to share on social media!

2026 ICHRIE Award Recipients

Recognizing outstanding contributions and requesting final submission details



Congratulations to the 2026 ICHRIE Award winners! This year's nominations and selections reflect an exceptional level of scholarly excellence, peer recognition, and engagement across our global community. The form link and celebratory social media information were included in the acceptance letters; winners are asked to complete the form by **Friday, 8 May 2026** to confirm details, upload optional headshots, and ensure accurate certificate information. For any questions, please contact awards@chrie.org.

Stay up to date on [Federation Conferences](#) too!

2026 APacCHRIE Conference
28-31 May 2026
Osaka, Japan
[INFO](#)

2026 WestCHRIE Conference
14-15 July 2026
Mandalay Bay & UNLV
[INFO](#)

2026 EMEACHRIE Conference
9–11 November 2026
Dubai, UAE
[INFO](#)



NENACHRIE Rise & Grind

April session cancelled. See you in June!



Can you believe the spring semester is almost a wrap?! We know this time of year is a whirlwind of final projects, events, and end-of-year to-dos. While we weren't able to host a [Rise & Grind](#) gathering in April, we truly appreciate everyone's understanding during this busy season. The good news? We're planning to reconnect in June and will share details as soon as they're finalized. We hope to see you there—and in the meantime, hang in there as we sprint to the finish line! 🌸 ✨

EMEACHRIE Dubai 2026

Call For Papers



Submissions are now open for EMEA CHRIE DUBAI 2026, hosted by Dubai College of Tourism from 9–12 November. Academics and practitioners are invited to contribute papers, posters, workshops, and presentations exploring the future of tourism, hospitality, and destination development under the theme Beyond the Map: Defining the Future of Tourism. The submission deadline is **Monday, 11 May 2026**. Find full details and submit your work via [the conference website](#).



[Federations on Fire](#)

Spark Inspiration with the Power of Collaboration



Hospitality is going data-driven, and education must keep up. New insights from WFCHRIE reveal a growing gap between industry expectations and academic preparation, especially in analytics skills. As data reshapes decision-making, tomorrow's leaders must blend analytical thinking with human-centered service. Are our programs preparing students to lead in this evolving landscape? Discover what's changing, and what must come next... [Read More](#)

ESD Student Professional Development Panel

Upcoming Webinar



Join us on **Friday, 1 May 2026** for an engaging ESD Student Professional Development Panel, where students share firsthand insights on navigating research, connecting with faculty mentors, and accessing funding opportunities. [Register for this session](#) that features student voices from Bethune-Cookman University and Fort Hays State University, moderated by Dr. Godwin-Charles Ogbeide and will showcase how ESD programming supports meaningful industry engagement and hands-on learning beyond the classroom.

Improving Group Projects in Hospitality Education

New JHTE study on student experiences, engagement, and collaboration.



This new [JHTE](#) article examines hospitality and tourism students' perceptions of group projects. The findings highlight the importance of student interaction and social presence in improving emotional engagement and active learning, while also addressing challenges such as social loafing. Read the Article: doi.org/10.1080/10963758.2024.2433066

ICHRIE MEMBER & INDUSTRY NEWS

Announcing NEW ICHRIE Special Interest Group (SIG)

Artificial Intelligence in Hospitality and Tourism



We are excited to announce the launch of the Artificial Intelligence in Hospitality and Tourism (AI-HT) Special Interest Group (SIG), led by Seden Dogan (Chair) and Suzanne Bagnera (Vice Chair).

The AI-HT SIG is dedicated to advancing excellence in hospitality and tourism education, research, and service by fostering collaboration and knowledge sharing around artificial intelligence, machine learning, and emerging technologies. The group will support innovative teaching approaches, encourage impactful and relevant scholarship, and strengthen connections between academia and industry.

At its core, this SIG aims to help the ICHRIE community engage with AI thoughtfully, ethically, and strategically—while preserving the human-centered values that define hospitality and tourism.

Members interested in joining can access the Artificial Intelligence in Hospitality and Tourism SIG through the [ICHRIE Member Portal](#).

A CommUnity (CU) SIG page will be available soon to support engagement, networking, and collaboration among members.

Human Resources SIG Meeting



The HR Special Interest Group (SIG) will host an interactive HR Director Panel titled “The Industry-Academic Sync: Co-Designing Solutions for Current HR Challenges” on **Monday, 20 April 2026**. The session with Moderator and SIG Chair, Lenna Shulga, and Panelists Patti Fisher, Jeff Yedlin, and Mel Pieper is designed to bring together

academic and industry perspectives to address current HR challenges and share practical insights. [👉 Learn more and access meeting details.](#)

Cruise SIG Spotlight

The 3-Year Degree Model



Northern Arizona University's School of Hotel and Restaurant Management has launched an innovative three-year Bachelor of Professional Studies in Hospitality Business Administration, designed to accelerate career entry without sacrificing academic rigor. Delivered online and through the Mesa Workforce Development Center, the program blends applied learning with stackable credentials to create a flexible, workforce-focused pathway for students and employers alike.

[👉](#) Explore how this forward-thinking model is reshaping hospitality education and building the next generation of industry leaders—[learn more](#) about the program today.

Learn about the CoStar Product for the Classroom or Research

New Webinars



The CoStar Group Academic Engagement Team is offering a series of webinars and Train-the-Trainer sessions to help hospitality and tourism educators better navigate and integrate CoStar tools into the classroom. Preregistration is required and each webinar is from **10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (U.S. Central Time)**. [👉 View all upcoming sessions and REGISTER HERE.](#)

New Certification in Hotel Industry Analytics (CHIA) Training Opportunities



The CHIA is the leading hospitality and tourism certification, obtained by over 42,000 students, professors and industry professionals. Training includes foundational metrics, definitions, formulas, methodologies, benchmarking principles, and industry reports as well as analyzing property and market level data.

This workshop prepares educators to offer the CHIA training to their students. Qualifying students receive an industry recognized designation they can use on their resume/CV and business cards. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details or to register.

Upcoming CHIA Train the Trainer Sessions: 5-week series, 2 hours each session

- Tuesdays - 21, 28 July 4, 11, 18 August from 10am-12pm (U.S. Central Time)
- Thursdays - 15, 22, 29 October and 5, 13 November from 10am-12pm OR 8pm-10pm (U.S. Central Time)



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