

VIRTUAL WELCOME SESSION FOR NEW MEMBERS • OPEN TO ALL



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New ICHRIE Members & First-Time Conference Attendees

Join us **NEXT WEEK** for a virtual welcome session designed to help new members and first-time conference attendees get started with ICHRIE.

This session will be hosted by Dr. Saehya Ann, Director of Networking, who looks forward to welcoming and connecting with you. ICHRIE leadership and staff will also join to warmly welcome participants and support your conference experience.

Save the date and join us on **Thursday, 14 May at 2:00 PM PT** via Zoom. [CLICK HERE](#) for the Zoom link and additional info.



We are excited to present... ICHRIE2026 Conference Wellness Experience Series!

Get ready to recharge and refocus at this year's conference with our revitalizing [Wellness Experience Series](#)! Start each day feeling energized with our thoughtfully designed morning sessions:

- **Wednesday, 15 July** - Sunrise Stretch & Restore
- **Thursday, 16 July** - Breathe & Center: Mindful Beginnings
- **Friday, 17 July** - Energizing Steps: Walk into Your Day

These guided experiences are designed to boost energy, enhance focus, and help you begin each day with intention. [Get more info here](#) and plan to join us!

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.

2026 ICHRIE Call For Papers

Updates, Next Steps, and Important Information



To confirm your place in the program, presenters must register by the deadline, with early bird registration available through **22 May 2026** via the [ICHRIE registration portal](#). The full conference schedule, along with formatting guidelines and presentation requirements, will be shared soon to help you prepare. In the meantime, we encourage you to celebrate your acceptance by sharing your presentation using the provided social media resources available [online](#).

We're excited to present...

#ICHRIE2026 Conference Add-on Options!



These exciting Las Vegas-only experiences require minimum attendance, pre-registration and separate payment. If you have already registered, you can amend your registration to add the desired events. Options include Swingers Crazy Golf, Wizard of Oz at the Sphere and Cirque du Soleil, MJ One with Backstage Tour and Show! Visit the [event registration page](#) for the schedule-at-a-glance, rates, and additional engagement opportunities and tours as they become available.

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

2026 APacCHRIE Conference

28-31 May 2026

Osaka, Japan

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2026 WestCHRIE Conference

14-15 July 2026

Mandalay Bay & UNLV

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2026 EMEACHRIE Conference

9–11 November 2026

Dubai, UAE

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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 2026. 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 **Friday, 5 June 2026**. Find full details and submit your work via [the conference website](#).



ESD Student Professional Development Panel

*Missed it? Watch the playback video - **NOW AVAILABLE***



Thank you to all the students and faculty who attended the ESD Student Professional Development Panel webinar on Friday, 1 May 2026. We had a great turn out to support our student panelists and our ESD Sponsored Events including the IMEX/UNLV Expo and the 2026 Undergraduate Research Symposium at Boston University. If you missed this ESD event, please [watch the playback video](#) with your class and share with colleagues.

Article Spotlight | *JHTE*

Are hospitality traits innate, or can they be developed through education?



This *JHTE* study explores the role of tertiary education in shaping genuine hospitality, examining how Big Five personality traits influence hospitableness among service industry workers. Findings reveal that traits such as agreeableness and neuroticism play a role, while hospitality education acts as a key moderator, shaping how these traits translate into real-world hospitable behavior. A valuable contribution for educators and industry professionals seeking to better understand and develop authentic hospitality. Read the full article: doi.org/10.1080/10963758.2025.2575692

Quick, Actionable Teaching Tips on the Fly



HIPs, COILs, and SDT—oh my! Ready to spark deeper student motivation and engagement? Dr. Vicki Lavendol (Rosen College of Hospitality Management, University of Central Florida) of SECSACHRIE shares a dynamic, research-driven approach that brings learning to life. Discover how Self-Determination Theory, High-Impact Practices, and Collaborative Online International Learning can transform your

classroom into an engaging, globally connected experience. [Access](#) the recording, slides, rubrics, and takeaways—and reimagine what’s possible for your students today!

Federations on Fire

Spark Inspiration with the Power of Collaboration



It’s time to revolutionize industry engagement in higher education! Moving beyond internships and guest lectures, partnership pedagogy ignites transformative learning through co-design, co-delivery, co-assessment, and co-development. Students become collaborators, consultants, and creators, working alongside industry to solve real-world challenges. The result? Career-ready graduates with powerful

portfolios, relevant skills, and real impact. Let’s reimagine the classroom and boldly bridge the gap between education and industry, because the future of hospitality demands nothing less! [Read more.](#)



ICHRIE Announces 2026 Leadership Election Results

Newly elected leaders to guide global hospitality and tourism education, research, and engagement



On behalf of the ICHRIE Board of Directors and the Election Committee, we are pleased to announce the results of the 2026 ICHRIE Leadership Elections. These newly elected leaders bring strong experience, service, and a shared commitment to advancing hospitality and tourism education and research worldwide.

Please join us in congratulating this year's [election winners](#) and in thanking all candidates who participated for their dedication, leadership, and willingness to serve our global community.

ICHRIE Welcomes New Members

Members who joined in April 2026



Let's give a warm welcome to our newest ICHRIE members from April 2026!

We're proud to grow our global community of hospitality and tourism educators, researchers, and industry leaders. Please join us in celebrating:

Brittany WalkerOnline.com
Burapha University, Thailand
City College of Calapan, USA
GuangDong Industry Polytechnic University, China
Helwan University, Egypt
Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India
Kyoto University, Japan
Kansai Gaidai University, Japan
Kyungpook National University Republic of Korea
Les Roches - Abu Dhabi Hospitality Academy UAE
Macau University of Science and Technology - Macau
National Pingtung University, Taiwan
Rawlins High School, USA
Smart University College for Modern Education, The State of Palestine
Tourism-Mediation.net
Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia, Indonesia
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Malaysia

Remembering Dr. Mathwich

A Life of Service to Hospitality Education



The [WestCHRIE](#) community mourns the passing of Britt Mathwich, Associate Professor of Business and Hospitality Management at Colorado Mesa University (CMU).

Britt brought more than 40 years of hospitality industry experience to his teaching, with expertise in destination resort management and development. At CMU, he began teaching in 2011 and was known for connecting theory with real-world hospitality practice through industry examples, guest speakers, internships, and experiential learning. He also helped form and advise the CMU Hospitality Management Club and contributed to the development of the Hospitality Management Advisory Board. His work included research and presentations on hospitality internships, competitive benchmarking, ethics education, and the development and operation of Hotel Maverick, CMU's on-campus teaching hotel. [READ MORE](#) about ICHRIE Legends.

Announcing NEW ICHRIE Special Interest Group (SIG)

Artificial Intelligence in Hospitality and Tourism



The Artificial Intelligence in Hospitality and Tourism (AI-HT) Special Interest Group (SIG), led by Seden Dogan (Chair) and Suzanne Bagnera (Vice Chair), has officially launched to support collaboration and knowledge sharing around AI, machine learning, and emerging technologies.

The SIG aims to advance education, research, and industry connections while promoting thoughtful, ethical, and human-centered applications of AI in hospitality and tourism. Members can join through the ICHRIE Member Portal, with a CommUnity SIG page coming soon to further support engagement and collaboration. Email membership@chrie.org with any questions.

Sustainability Ripples Out

Kudos to ICHRIE member, Professor Dan Wang, and Co-Authors



This new study introduces a pioneering framework to help hotels identify and engage key stakeholders in environmental management initiatives. By highlighting the critical role of third parties, the research offers practical strategies for maximizing sustainability impact across the industry... [READ MORE](#)

Dan Wang, Mei Yang and Zhiming Deng (2025). *Pathway to Environment Management in Hotel Industry: A Stakeholder Engagement Framework*. *Journal of China Tourism Research*, Vol. 21, No. 2, pp. 580–600.

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 2026** from 10am-12pm (U.S. Central Time)
- **Thursdays - 15, 22, 29 October and 5, 13 November 2026** from 10am-12pm OR 8pm-10pm (U.S. Central Time)



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