



2026 SLI Workshops

Thursday May 28, 2026			
10:30 am - 11:35 am	Concurrent Session 1	Guest Presenters	Title of Topic
24 - capacity	G. T. Kennedy 101	Brent Harris	“Perceptions of Student Leadership”
21 - capacity	114 GTK	Royce Ridley	Make Character your Loudest Leadership Statement”
46 - capacity	115 GTK	Cateatra Mallard	“Passion & Policy” This is an interactive session designed to help student leaders understand how power, politics, and policy operate within higher education.
37 - capacity	120 GTK	Tiera Bacote	“You Da President: Delegate does not mean Dismiss” This presentation explores the true role and responsibilities of a council president, with a focus on preparing individuals for a successful and impactful term.
47 - capacity	121 GTK	William Bynum	“Leadership =Drama: How to lead when it gets messy” Participants will learn how to embrace the “drama” of leadership—not as chaos to avoid, but as a stage to demonstrate clarity, composure, and character.
100 - capacity	123 GTK	Anthony Brown	“Bring the Noise”
22 - capacity	222 GTK	Casey Perry	“6 Sense of Event Engagement”
29 - capacity	223 GTK	Tim Johnson	“Emotional Intelligence: Leadership + Decision Making”

			Engage in an in-depth exploration of student leadership and its intersection with emotional intelligence (EI).
	Claflin Student Center Conference Room A (2nd FL)	Tericka White Sanders	“Give yourself Grace”
35 - capacity	108 WVM	Travis Fredrick	“Will the real student leader, please stand up” A high-energy, reflective leadership experience designed to challenge the gap between performing leadership and actually leading.
35 - capacity	110 WVM	Vanessa McKinney	“Position to Purpose” A transformative, identity-centered workshop designed to help student leaders move beyond surface-level leadership into purpose-driven influence.
25 - capacity	112 WVM	Scottie Willis	“Purpose or Popularity? Why you really here fam?” Invites HBCU student leaders to examine their motives, confront the tension between influence and impact, and realign their leadership with intention.
30 - capacity	W. V. Middleton (Music Center) 301	Briana Butler	“Conflict isn’t messy, Crashing out is?” This section highlights the importance of emotional intelligence, decision-making, accountability, and addressing issues directly instead of reacting impulsively such as Crashing out, going back and forth, or taking issues public.
96 - capacity	Minister’s Hall	Bonita Bradley	“Leading with Purpose; Serving with Confidence” This workshop will help participants identify their purpose, leadership style and how to be most impactful in their role as campus leaders.

30 - capacity	302 WVM	Percy Henry	<p>“When Triumph Meets Trouble”</p> <p>When Triumph Meets Trouble is an interactive workshop for emerging HBCU student leaders navigating the realities that follow success.</p>
200 - capacity	Student Center Ballroom	Jay Dukes	<p>“More than a Show: Why HBCUs Matter to Artist (Industry Panel Discussion”</p>
	Game Room/Student Center	Orlando Mitchell	<p>SGA Presidents Consortium (SGA Presidents Only)</p>
11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Concurrent Session 2	Guest Presenters	Title of Topic
	G. T. Kennedy		
46 - capacity	115 GTK	Cateatra Mallard	<p>“Programming 101”</p> <p>Successful campus programming goes beyond going viral ok Tik Tok or hosting events, it requires intentional planning, creativity, and a clear understanding of student engagement.</p>
37 - capacity	120 GTK	Terrill Vidale	<p>“ Don’t just create an Event: Create an experience”</p> <p>This session is designed to challenge the way we think about entertainment, atmosphere, and audience engagement. Terrill Vidale of 2Deep Entertainment will break down how to transform ordinary gatherings into unforgettable experiences that leave lasting impressions, build emotional connections, and keep people talking long after the event is over.</p>
47 - capacity	121 GTK	Casey Perry	<p>“No Catfish Experience”</p> <p>Session about Delivering the Hype, Matching the Expectations, and Executing Excellence!</p>
	Minister’s Hall	William Bynum	<p>“Built Different: Hazing vs M.I.P.</p>

29 - capacity	223 GTK	Tim Johnson	<p>“Take the Risk Away”</p> <p>This session introduces participants to a practical risk-taking formula designed to guide leadership decision-making.</p>
	225 GTK	Tiffany Seawright	<p>Civic Engagement (NC Schools Only)</p>
35 - capacity	108 WVM	Travis Fredrick	<p>“The title didn’t choose you, it revealed you”</p> <p>Many believe that winning a title transforms you into a leader, but in reality, leadership doesn’t change who you are, it exposes who you’ve always been.</p>
35 - capacity	110 WVM	Aishonia Jackson	
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	Clafin Student Center Conference Room A (2nd FL)	Orlando Mitchell	<p>SGA Presidents Consortium (SGA Presidents Only)</p>
2:30 pm - 3:45 pm	Concurrent Session 3	Guest Presenters	Title of Topic
46 - capacity	115 GTK	Cateatra Mallard	<p>“From Student to Staff Member”</p> <p>Creating pipelines to leadership are important! Transitioning from student leader to professional staff member in higher education requires more than passion; it requires the ability to translate leadership experiences into transferable skills aligned with institutional priorities.</p>

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47 - capacity	121 GTK	Travis Fredrick	<p>“The group chat runs the campus; Understanding Leadership & Influence”</p> <p>Before the flyer drops, before the email goes out, and sometimes before leadership even meets—the group chat already knows.</p>
	113 GTK	William Bynum	<p>“Crowned to Serve”</p> <p>This session challenges student leaders—especially Kings, Queens, and visible campus figures—to redefine leadership through service, legacy, and impact.</p>
200 - capacity	Minister’s Hall	Winston Williams	<p>“Building the Bloc”</p> <p>This session focuses on partnership between student leaders from non-traditional routes and the campus structures with the broadest student reach: Student Government Associations, Campus Activity Boards and D9 organizations.</p>
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	W.V. Middleton Auditorium	Cateatra Mallard Tim Johnson William Bynum Casey Perry	<p>“Partners in Leadership: Building Effective Relationships with Advisors”</p> <p>Student organization advisors play a critical role in shaping the success, sustainability, and impact of student-led initiatives. However, many student leaders are unsure how to effectively engage with their advisors, often viewing them as either overly controlling or entirely absent.</p>
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