



RMACAC Virtual Roadmap

November 17, 2020 8:00 am - 1:00 pm MST

8:00 am- 8:20 am **Welcome to RMACAC Roadmap**
Dr. Jill Corbin, CEP, Director of College & Transition Counseling, RMACAC
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8:20 am- 9:00 am **Plenary session**
Helping Undocumented Students Access and Succeed in College
TheDream.US, the largest college access and success program for DREAMers in the
country, has developed powerful partnerships with 70+ universities to support
DREAMers. We will give an overview of the undocumented students experience in
accessing and navigating higher education, share our innovative college partnership
model, present our two scholarship programs for DREAMers, and share resources.

*** Choose one session per breakout.**

Session 1 9:10 am-10:00 am

It's not you, it's CSU. Cal State Apply explained

Curious about the 23 campus CSU system and its unique application? Leann Schmitz from Cal Poly and Brian Zaun from San Diego State will provide an overview and updates regarding Cal State Apply. The conversation will tackle the basic outline of what is required, new updates for 2021, and also the importance of individual campus guidelines, expectations, and distinctions.

Southern State of Mind

Are you working with students who are thinking about going to school out of state? How about heading south? Four southern schools who have admission representatives based in Colorado want to share with you what life could be like attending college in the South. At these campuses, you'll find rich traditions, academic success, and yes, football. Down south, it just means more.

Thinking Outside the Box: College and Career Counseling in a COVID World

As we adjust to our new reality, we need to think outside the box to stay connected and continue to provide services, which are more important than ever. The session will cover tips and tools that we are using in our district to meet the needs of students in college/career counseling. Come to see demonstrations of these tools and leave with ideas that you can implement in your school. Bring your own ideas for sharing.

Session 2 10:10 am-11:00 am

Making Out-of-State Colleges Affordable with Woo-wee!

The Western Undergraduate Exchange can make attending an out-of-state university affordable. With over 150+ colleges participating, navigating the fine print can be challenging. While there are many similarities, there are many variations as well. Jasmine Bryan, the Regional Admission Counselor for Northern California for the University of Utah, will explain the nuances of WUE. Counselors will be equipped to assist students look at out-of-state schools that offer WUE and ultimately reduced tuition!

How students can "sell themselves" throughout the college admissions process

If someone asked your student to describe themselves in just a few sentences would they know what to say? If not, join this session to learn how students can highlight their accomplishments and best character traits, create a personal resume/brag sheet, and be ready to talk about themselves on applications, college and scholarship interviews, and more.

CU and CSU – How We Are Adapting and Collaborating in Test Optional and COVID Environment

2020 has changed everything! Join Clark Brigger, Executive Director of Admissions at University of Colorado Boulder and Heather Daniels, Director of Admissions at Colorado State University in Fort Collins to discuss the challenges and opportunities that two large public universities are facing right now. Topics include: implementing and evaluating test optional, social distancing and COVID impacts on a large campus, forecasting spring 2021 and beyond, with an opportunity to ask questions and have a conversation about how our work looks this year.

Session 3 11:10 am-12:00 pm

Advising the Artistically Talented Student

What do you do when the artistic student schedules an appointment? How do you advise them? What if you don't know anything about art? or music? or theater? Join the Director of Admission from Cornish College of the Arts to learn more about options, advising and resources for your artistic students.

The College Meal prepared with a Pinch of SALT

This session will be presented by the SALT Center, an academic support program for students with learning and attention challenges at The University of Arizona. Participants will learn about the academic support services and application process for the SALT Center. Additionally, participants will receive practical strategies on preparing students who learn differently for the college environment.

How America Pays for College 2020

A national study by Sallie Mae and Ipsos, illustrates the resources families use to pay for college, particularly their use of financial aid and the role of student loans. It also explores how families of undergraduates regard the value of higher education, the factors that influence their choice of schools, and the steps they're taking to make college affordable.

College Fair 12:00 pm-1:00 pm (tentative list)

Learn and engage with in and out of state colleges and universities at the counselor college fair.

Cornish College of the Arts
Drake University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Miami University
New Mexico Highlands University
Pacific University Oregon
Salve Regina University
Texas A&M University
The University of Arizona
University of Tennessee – Knoxville
Western Nebraska Community College