



Promising Programs & Practices (P³)

A monthly info session for, and by, the National NASA Space Grant Community
December 2022 Session: **Monday, 12/12/2022 @ 3 pm Eastern**



What to Expect on the Hill: Preparing for the Spring National Director's Meeting

Presented by Mary Sandy and Colleen Fava

During this P3 session, Mary Sandy and Colleen Fava will share their experiences going to Capitol Hill and speaking with their congressional representatives. Learn how they prepare for these meetings, what materials they organize, who attends the meetings, and how to communicate your Space Grant needs quickly and succinctly.



Mary Sandy is the Director of the Virginia Space Grant Consortium. The VSGC was created to enhance STEM education, foster STEM workforce development, and build research infrastructure in the Commonwealth of Virginia in aerospace and high technology disciplines. Her career has spanned more than 40 years in education, program management and public affairs. She is the author of numerous publications and has served as principal investigator or director for grants and contracts from many sources.



Colleen H. Fava is the Assistant Director of the Louisiana NASA Space Grant and EPSCoR (LaSPACE) programs based at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. Colleen works closely with the Director in strategic planning activities, managing relationships with federal, state, and local stakeholders, and developing proposals to funding agencies as necessary to support strategic objectives. Colleen develops solicitation guidelines and serves as the primary reviewer for incoming funding requests, manages a robust set of state and federal reporting requirements, oversees all communications activities, and serves as a proxy for the Director as needed.

Program Agenda Estimates

- 3:00 pm EDT: Icebreaker/Announcements
- 3:10 pm EDT: Presentation with Q&A
- 4:00 pm EDT: Open discussion

Zoom Info

- [Meeting Link](#)
- Meeting ID: 851 5044 1071
- Password: 813991

About P3: Promising Programs & Practices is a monthly info session organized by the Space Grant Communications Working Group. On the second Monday of the month, we feature promising programs or practices from members of the National Space Grant community. Affiliates are welcome/encouraged to attend. Slides and videos of past presentations are distributed via the Space Grant Coordinators and Directors listserv, and the new Communications Working Group listserv which includes affiliates of our programs. Past presentations and resources can be found at <https://laspace.lsu.edu/promising-programs-practices-p3/>.