

ATE Preconference Workshop

October 23, 2019

PI Survival Guide: *Surviving and Thriving in the ATE Program*



Welcome! - Mel Cossette

Purpose:

To support your work on ATE-funded projects



.... by sharing resources,
experiences &
responses to challenges

- with seasoned PIs
- with each other

Meet our team!

Mel Cossette

Osa Brand

Karen Wosczyzna-Birch

Louise Petruzzella

Tom Tubon

Chris Carter

Pamela Silvers



Meet our guest speakers!

Kendra Bouda



Kelly Robertson & Emma Leeburg



Workshop Format

- Information about the participants
- Resources that can support your work:
 - the ATE community
 - ATE Central
 - EvaluATE
- Your challenges: survey results
- Panelists address challenges
- Open discussions about those challenges
- Group discussions with staff at tables

Who's in the Audience? - Pam Silvers



Use your clickers to tell us who you are!

Do you currently have an ATE grant?

A. Yes

B. No



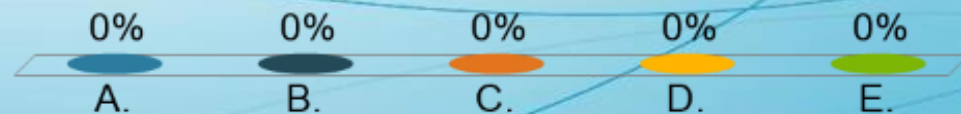
How long have you been part of ATE?

- A. Less than 1 year
- B. More than 1 but less than 2 years
- C. 2-3 years
- D. More than 3 years



What is your primary project role?

- A. PI for ATE Grant
- B. Co-PI for ATE Grant
- C. Grant Writer
- D. College Administrator
- E. Other



Have you participated in Mentor-Connect?

A. Yes

B. No



Have you participated in Mentor-Links?

A. Yes

B. No

MENTORLINKS
ADVANCING TECHNOLOGICAL EDUCATION



The ATE Community - Karen Wosczyzna-Birch

- What is the ATE Community?
- How can it support you as you complete your project - and beyond?
- Who can you contact?
- Where can you find information?



NSF Program Officers



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ATE Program Director



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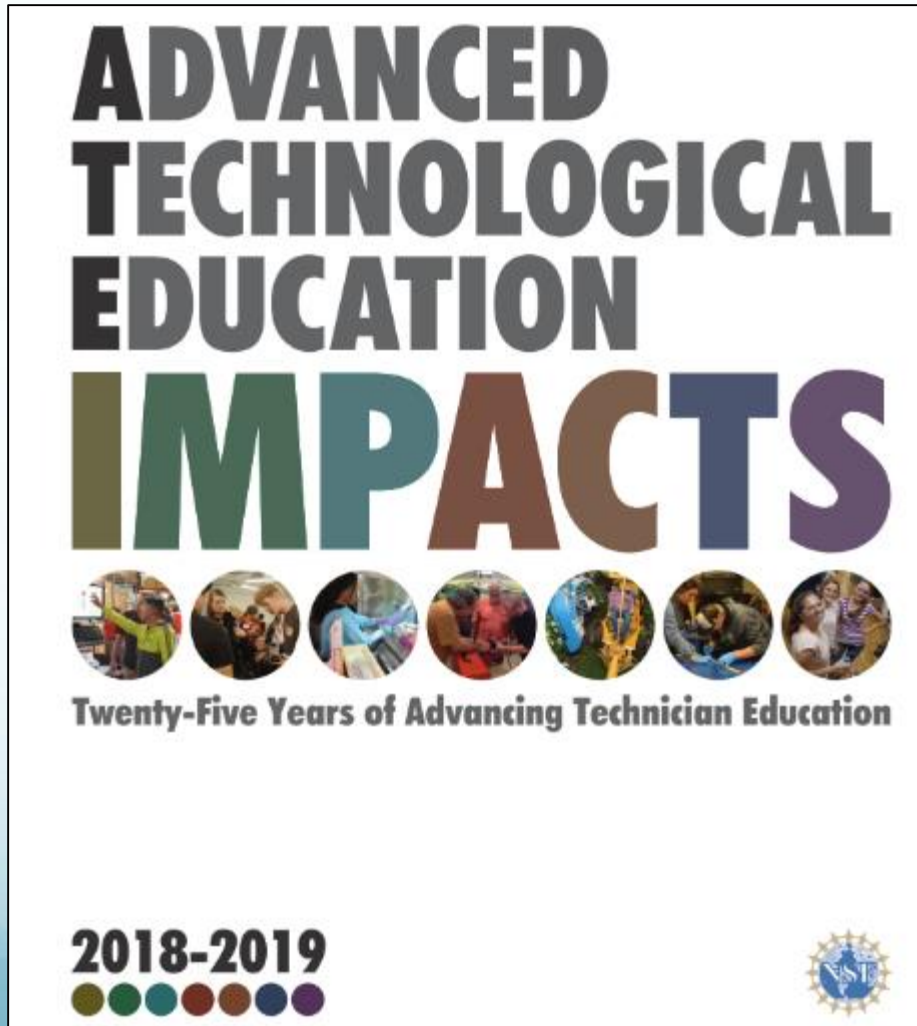


Sami Rollins
ATE Program Director



Heather Watson
ATE Program Director

ATE IMPACTS Book



- Highlights all ATE Centers funded at the time of publication
- Highlights selected ATE projects
- New edition coming soon!

Mentor-Links

An Association of American Community Colleges project, funded by NSF, to help two-year colleges develop or strengthen STEM technician training programs through:

- mentoring
- professional development opportunities
- technical assistance



<https://www.aacc.nche.edu>

Mentor-Connect

A South Carolina Advanced Technological Education Center of Excellence project, funded by NSF, that provides:

- Grant-writing mentoring for two-year colleges that are:
 - developing a New-to-ATE proposal
 - revising a declined first proposal
 - developing a moving-up proposal
- Moving Up & Second Chance Workshop – Friday (10:15-12:30)
- Faculty and Leadership Development
 - On-line resources for grant writing & project management

www.mentor-connect.org

Florence-Darlington Technical College, Florence, SC

College of the Canyons Grant Writing Workshop

- Funded by NSF
- Hosted at College of the Canyons – Santa Clarita, CA
July 14-17, 2020
- Participation requires pre-proposal and administrative approval to submit a proposal
- Focus is completing a proposal submission for NSF, specifically the ATE Program. Proposals due on October 1, 2020, under current solicitation (18-571)



What is ATE Central?

- Serves as an information hub and archive for the ATE community
- Provides a variety of tools, services & publications that meet expressed community needs
- Supports & promotes the work of the ATE community



How Can ATE Central Help You?

- Learn about the ATE community, showcase your work, share with others
- Find & connect with other ATE collaborators
- Get support in achieving your goals



Information Portal & Resource Collection

ATE Central collects, organizes, disseminates:

- ATE project & center information
- Resources created & used by ATE projects & centers
- Information about events in the ATE community
- Support resources – for sustainability, outreach, etc.



Tools & Services

- Monthly Newsletter/Blog
- Events Calendar
- ATE Community Office Hours
- ATE Talk
- Webinars
- Microsites
- And more!



Connect with ATE Central

Email us: info@atecentral.net

Visit our website: <http://atecentral.net>

Visit the ATE Central booth, #001 (Oct. 23-24)



EvaluATE - Emma Leeburg - Kelly Robertson

5 TIPS

for getting the most
out of your evaluation



EvaluATE



www.evaluate-ate.org





Make sure your
evaluation serves
your project.





Use evaluation evidence
to make project changes.





Include evaluation
results in your annual
report.





Collect compelling evidence to include in your project outcomes report.





Use evidence to demonstrate you can deliver on future funding.



Join the 

EvaluATE Network

evalu-ate.org/network





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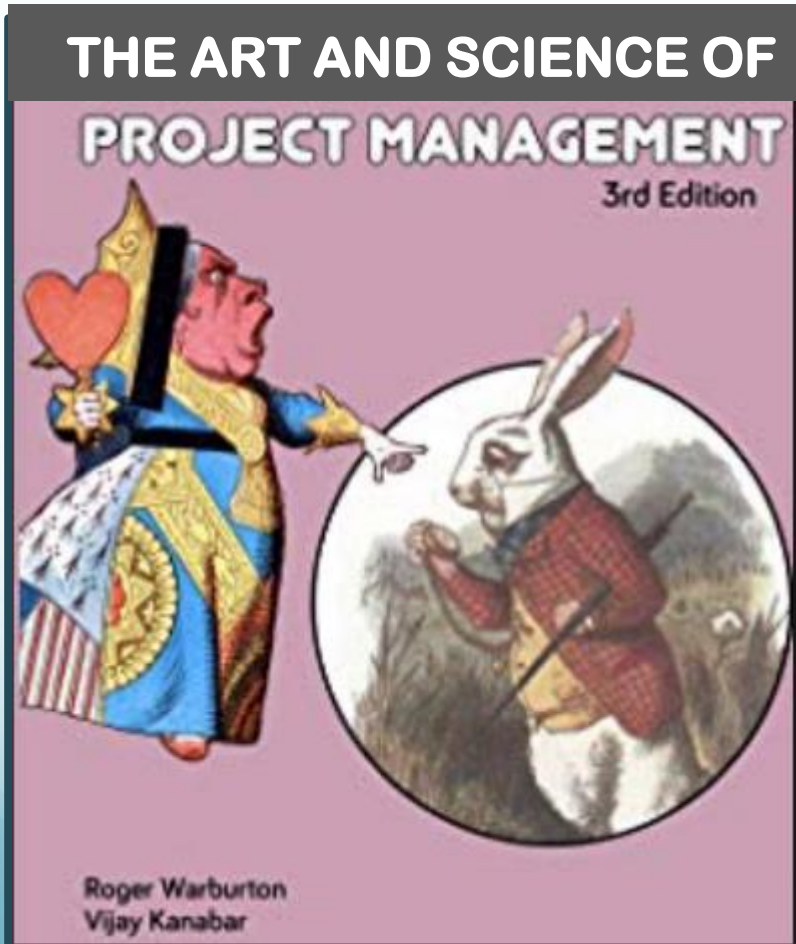
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**Break
(10 minutes)**

PI Challenges

- Osa Brand

You are not alone...



Survey Results – Top 4 concerns

Ranked top 4 by:

Grant administration	11/15
Meeting/modifying project goals	11/15
Managing the budget	10/15
Personnel changes/problems	7/15
Staying organized	7/15
Evaluation	6/15
Working with industry	6/15

What's next?

Top 4 concerns (35 minutes):

5-minute panel presentations on each topic
15 minute discussion

Next 3 concerns (15 minutes):

Panelist perspective and discussion

All 7 concerns (25 minutes):

25-minute discussions with panelists at tables
(Pick a table – one topic per table)

Let's Discuss the Challenges! - Pam Silvers



- *Panelist perspectives*
- *Group discussion*



Panelist Perspectives

Top four challenges -

Five minute presentations:

- Grant administration: *Karen Wosczyzna-Birch*
- Meeting/modifying goals: *Louise Petruzzella*
- Managing budgets: *Osa Brand*
- Personnel changes/problems: *Tom Tubon*

**Lessons learned?
Problems solved?
Questions?**

- Grant administration
- Meeting/modifying goals
- Managing budgets
- Personnel changes/problems



Survey Results: Next 3 Rankings - Tom Tubon

Ranked top 4 by:

- Staying organized 7/15
- Evaluation 6/15
- Working with industry 6/15

Lessons learned? Problems solved?

Panelists – one brief example:

- Staying organized: Pamela Silvers
- Evaluation: Chris Carter
- Working with industry: Mel Cossette

Participants – YOUR experiences? Questions?

- Staying organized
- Evaluation
- Working with industry

**Break
(10 minutes)**

What challenges have you faced? How have you dealt with them?

– Chris Carter

Table	Topic	Panelist
1	Grant administration	Karen
2	Meeting/modifying goals	Louise
3	Personnel changes/problems	Tom
4	Working with industry partners	Mel
5	Managing the budget	Osa
6	Evaluation	Chris, Kelly Emma
7	Staying organized	Pam

Report Out - Karen Wosczyzna-Birch

- Louise Petruzzella, recorder

Main issues? How addressed?

Table 1: Grant administration procedures

Table 2: Meeting/modifying project goals

Table 3: Personnel changes/problems

Table 4: Working with industry partners

Table 5: Managing the budget

Table 6: Evaluation

Table 7: Staying organized



Workshop Closure – Mel Cossette

ATE PI Conference (Participation required!)

- Plenary sessions - Keynote speakers
- Sessions, Showcases
- Learn How to Successfully “Move Up” from a New-to-ATE Project to an ATE Project
Friday — 10:15-12:30 — Empire Room
- Meet some ATE program officers! See your conference programs for their photos.

Questions?

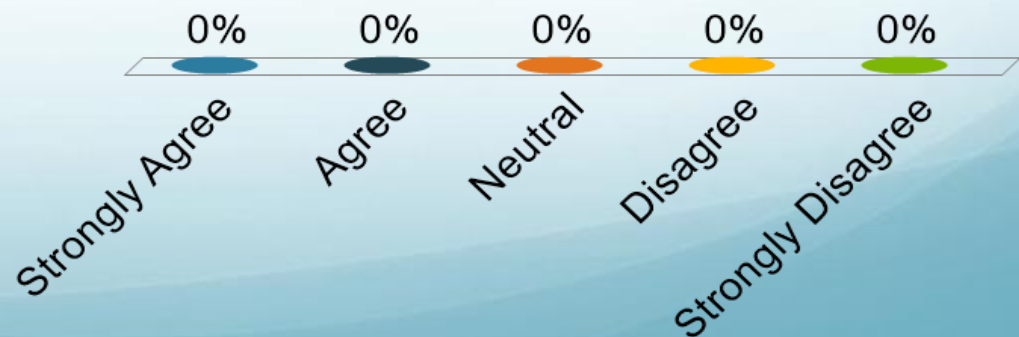
Last thoughts?

Quick Survey

(Results will not be displayed!)

The workshop met my objectives

- A. Strongly Agree
- B. Agree
- C. Neutral
- D. Disagree
- E. Strongly Disagree



Thank you for attending!



Resources

ATE Central: <http://atecentral.net>

EvaluATE: www.evalu-ate.org

Mentor-Connect: www.mentor-connect.org

Mentor-Links: <https://www.aacc.nche.edu>

PAPPG: https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policy_docs/pappg19_1/nsf10_1.pdf