

# Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities Alumni Relations Conference November 10-11, 2016

Please note this is a draft schedule, subject to change.

## Thursday, November 10

10:30 a.m.-Noon Conference Registration

BEAR Center Lobby, 1201 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue

11:00 a.m.-Noon

**Campus Tour** 

Those who wish to go on a walking tour of Grinnell's campus will depart from the BEAR.

Noon-1:15 p.m.

**Lunch and Welcome** 

BEAR 205-06

Enjoy a welcome luncheon with remarks from Shane Jacobson, vice president for development and alumni relations.

1:30-3:00 p.m.

### Working with your Alumni Board

BEAR 205-06

- How do we get our Board to work with us instead of asking us to work for them?
- What opportunities exist for alumni boards to help strengthen your organizational objectives?
- How is your alumni board representative (or not) of your community?
- What structures facilitate the highest levels of engagement?

3:00-3:30 p.m.

Break

# 3:30-5:00 p.m. **Student-Alumni Programming**

BEAR 205-06

- How do we attract broad student interest?
- What do we want students to know about the value of continuing their relationship with the college? What's the best format to introduce Alumni Relations?
- Speaking in the student narrative: How do we get through to students while they're still on campus when they're focused (rightly so) on finals, midterms, student life, etc. and can't imagine a post-grad life.
- What resources are important to students that we need to promote?

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Break

6:00-7:30 p.m.

**Dinner (not hosted)** 

Prairie Canary, 924 Main St.

8:00 p.m.

#### Writers@Grinnell Reading: Kirstin Valdez Quade

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Kirstin Valdez Quade is the author of *Night at the Fiestas*, which received the John Leonard Prize from the National Book Critics Circle, the Sue Kaufman Prize for First Fiction from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, and a "5 Under 35" award from the National Book Foundation. It was a *New York Times* Notable Book, and was named a best book of 2015 by the *San Francisco Chronicle* and the American Library

Association. Kirstin is the recipient of the Rona Jaffe Foundation Writer's Award and the 2013 Narrative Prize.

### Friday, November 11

8:00-9:00 a.m. **Breakfast Roundtable Discussions:** 

- Reunions and Homecomings
- Regional Events, Clubs, and Activities
- Metrics and Evaluation in Alumni Relations

9:15-10:45 a.m. Virtual Platforms and Social Media for Alumni Relations

- What format works best for what activities?
  - o Alumni-Student Mentoring
  - Intellectual
  - Networking
  - o Affinity & Class reunions
- What qualifies as success?

10:45-11:00 a.m. Break

11:00-12:30 p.m. Closing Lunch and Yankee Swap!