

# DAY 1 - TUESDAY OCTOBER 21



## Welcome Reception

9 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. PDT

Kick off the conference with opening remarks from ULSCA President Jen Carmichael and ARMCUMS President Kristen Weidler.

Attendees will be introduced to each associations Board of Directors before moving into breakout rooms for guided discussions on key topics.

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## Keynote Speaker - Ted Johnson

10 a.m. - 11 a.m. PDT

Ted Johnson, Assistant Vice Chancellor and Chief Procurement Officer at UC San Diego, will explore the rapidly changing state of higher education and explain why robust, adaptable supply chain management has never been more essential for universities.

Drawing from his extensive leadership at UC San Diego and global industry experience, Ted will offer forward-thinking strategies to ensure resilience and innovation as academic landscapes continue to evolve.

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## TritonGPT in Action: Practical AI for Higher Education Leaders: Antonio Nava

11:15 a.m. - TBD a.m. PDT

Discover how Artificial Intelligence is transforming workplaces in this keynote session. You'll explore real-world strategies for streamlining operations, empowering teams, and driving innovation—along with practical insights from UC San Diego's TritonGPT initiative.

Walk away with actionable tools to lead change, boost efficiency, and harness AI as a powerful partner in shaping the future of higher education.

# DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 22



## Expert Insights: Operational Challenges & Process Improvements

9 a.m. - 10 a.m. PDT

Hear from campus operations experts across the nation as they address operational challenges and share their process improvement strategies. This interactive discussion will focus on practical solutions and peer experiences.

Presenters include:

- **Jake Drenth** - Manager Surplus Property, Colorado State University
- **Mike Diena** - Operations Supervisor Student Mail, UC San Diego
- **Katherine Nelligan** - Manager Mail, Receiving, and Supply, State University of New York Oneonta
- **Monica Brink** - Mail Services Team Leader, Bucknell University

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### Amazon Round Table

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. PDT

Join Amazon and Robbie Jacob from UC San Diego for a panel discussion on facility operations and shipping logistics shaping the future of campus deliveries. This session will provide participants with the opportunity to hear directly from Amazon experts about insights on tools and features to enhance your campus practices.

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### Professional Development: Shelley Prorise

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. PDT

Explore new perspectives on professional growth and leadership with coach Shelley Prorise. Known for guiding individuals and teams through transitions, Shelley helps build confidence, foster inclusive teams, and align work with purpose. Her session will focus on mastering the art of adapting to disruption and change, turning challenges into opportunities for growth.

## DAY 3 - THURSDAY OCTOBER 23



### Expert Insights: Strategic Resource Innovation

9 a.m. - 10 a.m. PDT

Discover how logistics leaders from different universities are driving innovation to make the most of their resources. In this interactive session, they'll share challenges, solutions, and lessons learned.

Presenters include:

- Ivy Weirather - Project Manager, Logistics, UC San Diego
- Kristen Weidler - Associate Director, Logistics, UC San Diego
- Dr. Danny Mann - Director, Distribution & Logistical Services, UC Santa Barbara
- Stacy Vaughn - Executive Director, Mail Services, The University of Alabama

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### How I Got Here: My Professional Journey

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. PDT

A diverse panel of supply chain and mail professionals will share their unique career paths. Learn how they navigated opportunities, challenges, and growth to arrive where they are today.

Presenters include:

- Heather Reimer - Associate Director Central Receiving, Colorado State University
- Mel Maxwell - Executive Director Supply Chain Management Logistics, UC San Francisco
- April Scriven - Manager Office Operations Services, Colorado College
- Jared Hohanshelt - Director of Logistics, Iowa State University
- Susan Fennell - Logistics Operations Supervisor, University of Michigan
- Matthew Bradley - Central Manager, University of Kentucky



## **Awards Ceremony**

**11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m. PDT**

Celebrate excellence in mail and logistics services during this joint ULSCA and ARMCUMS Awards Ceremony!

Honors include:

- Sustainability Award
- Mark Teragawa Innovation Award
- Outstanding Team Member Award
- Alan Burke Mail Manager of the Year
- Presidential Award for Excellence
- Lifetime Achievement Award

Join us as we recognize the individuals and teams who exemplify leadership, innovation, and dedication in our field.

## **Conference Support**

If you have any questions or need assistance before or during the conference, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Contact [Kristen Weidler](#) or [Robbie Jacob](#)