

# **THE 2024 ATE CONFERENCE & YOU – PREPARING FOR ATE CONNECTS**

**Wednesday, September 4**  
**1:00 – 2:00 p.m. EDT**

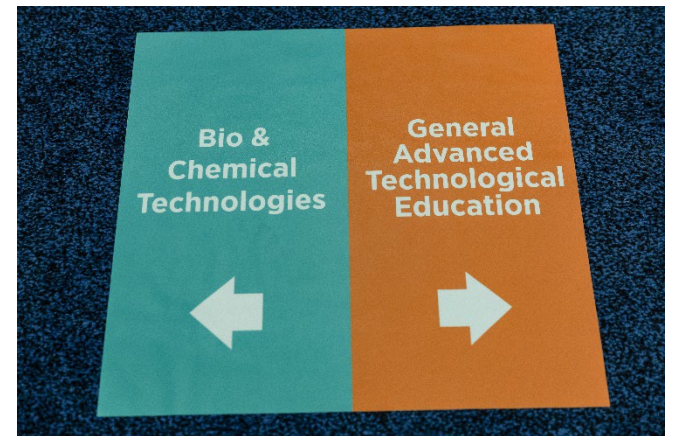
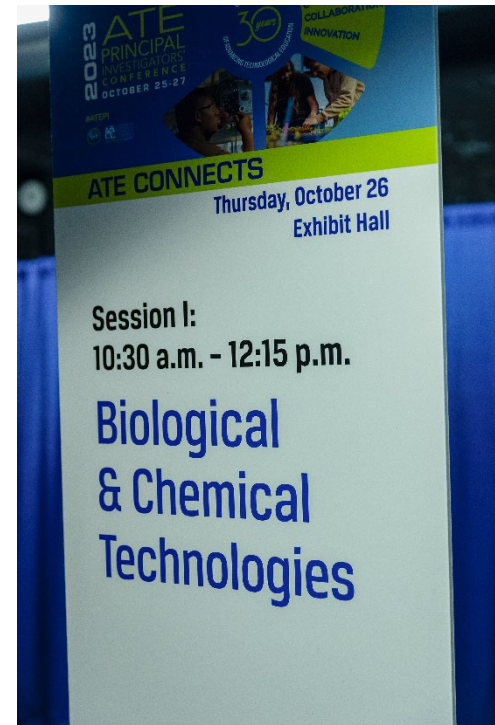
## What is ATE Connects?

ATE Connects is a key component of the conference and offers ATE projects and centers the opportunity to **network** and **connect** with conference participants, **explore** the ATE community, and **share** resources and information related to their programs.

**All ATE projects and centers** with the exception of first time ATE Awardees are **required** to participate in ATE Connects

# What is ATE Connects?

- Two networking & info sharing sessions with refreshments in the exhibit hall
- Each project & center signs up to host a “conversation hub”
- ATE projects & centers will be numbered and grouped by discipline area



## **ATE Connects Schedule**

### **ATE Connects Session 1, Thursday, October 24**

Advanced Manufacturing, Applied Research in Technician Education,  
Engineering Technologies, Micro and Nanotechnologies

Set-Up Period:	8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
ATE Connects Session:	10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Tear-Down Period:	12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

### **ATE Connects, Session 2, Thursday, October 24**

Agricultural and Environmental, Biological and Chemical, General  
Advanced Technological Education, Information and Security Technologies

Set-Up Period:	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.
ATE Connects Session:	3:45 – 5:30 p.m.
Tear-Down Period:	5:30 – 5:45 p.m.

## What is a Conversation Hub?

- Each project and center that signs up will be assigned a “conversation hub;” at least one team member expected to staff hub during session
- A conversation hub includes:
  - a café-style table (30”x 30”)
  - two chairs
  - a stand that fits a 22”x 28” poster graphic
  - two materials holders that can fit 8 ½ by 11 handouts















Strengthening the Industry 4.0 Workforce through Virtual Reality

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**Northcentral Technical College**

**Goal: To increase the skilled machining workforce in Central Wisconsin**

**Year One Objectives**

- 1. Complete design and programming of 10 machine programs, with 10-15 coaches network effects.
- 2. Increase the successful advancement and completion of machine tool programs.

**Outcomes**

Northcentral Technical College is proud to announce that, after one year, the college has achieved its goal of increasing the skilled machining workforce in Central Wisconsin. The college has completed 10 machine programs, with 10-15 coaches network effects. The college has also increased the successful advancement and completion of machine tool programs.

**Machine Tool Training**

Northcentral Technical College



## How to Sign Up?

Reserve a conversation hub by **September 19:**

<https://www.atepiconference.com/ate-connects-required/>



## 2024 ATE Connects Submission Form

Conversation Hub Reservation Deadline: September 19, 2024

### ATE Grant Number Verification

Enter your ATE Grant number below to begin your submission.

Your ATE grant number should be a 7 digit number, which can be found in your award documents and on [research.gov](https://www.research.gov).

Click on the "Verify Grant number" button. This will populate the data. Edits can be made to the title and PI information on the following screen. Please select "Confirm and Continue Submission" to continue submission to reserve your ATE Connects conversation hub.

If "grant number is not found" appears, please check your grant number then reach out to [ate@aacc.nche.edu](mailto:ate@aacc.nche.edu) for assistance.

Grant Number \*

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Verify Grant Number

✓ Fields have been auto filled.

Grant Title

Advancing STEM Technician Education & Innovation: The Community College Leadership Role

Fiscal Institution

American Association of Community Colleges

State

DC

PI First Name

Ellen

PI Last Name

Hause

Email

ehause@aacc.nche.edu

Save

Confirm and Continue Submission

- Enter your Grant Number Click “Verify Grant Number”
- Your Grant Information will populate. Select “Confirm and Continue Submission”
- You may modify PI information and Title on the following screen if needed.



# ATE Connects Abstract for Program

- **ATE Connects Abstract**
- Be sure to submit a concise and descriptive abstract describing your project/center!
- The abstract helps attendees in navigating these sessions
- 600-character limit
- Sample abstracts provided on conference website
- **Discipline Area** – Select what most closely aligns (do not default to General ATE)

### ATE Connects Abstract

Provide a brief abstract describing your ATE project or center for the conference program/app. Be sure to submit a concise and descriptive abstract describing your project or center to help attendees in navigating these sessions.

To assist you in crafting your abstract, see sample ATE Connects abstracts by clicking [here](#).

Abstract text \*

600 character limit. 0/600

### ATE Connects STEM Discipline

Please select one discipline area most closely aligned with your ATE grant.

STEM Discipline Area \*

Please Select

Note: ATE Connects will be grouped according to STEM disciplinary area. If a large number of submissions are received in the category of general advanced technological education, AACC reserves the right to reassign grants, as appropriate, according to how they are categorized on ATE Central to ensure representation in all discipline areas.

**Submission:** Select "Review Answers" below to review prior to submission. Once reviewed, click "Submit."

Note: A copy of your submission will be emailed to the PI associated with your grant as well as the email entered in the field below. If you are not ready to submit at this time, select "Save." You will be prompted to enter an email address for a link to be sent to you to complete your submission when you are ready to resume.

Submission Confirmation Email

If you would like confirmation of this submission to go to an email address other than the PI listed, please enter above.

Back

Save

Review Answers

## ATE Connects Preparation

- AACC will assign you to a session and provide your conversation hub number by September 23
- Sign/Graphic Preparation – 22” x 28” display space
  - Options for printing – print your own/bring your own
  - Print through Arata, AACC’s vendor, and they will print/place in your sign holder for you on site for fee of \$90.50
    - Print ready artwork due by October 4
    - ATE Connects kit & sign print template available on web
    - Arata portal log-in information coming via email once AACC has assigned you to a conversation hub



## ATE Connects Preparation

- Handouts – Encouraged to bring handouts (50 copies suggested)
  - Copy own/bring own
  - Copy your own & ship ahead to Arata to arrive to their warehouse by October 21 (flat rate \$150), includes shipping, storage, placement of your handouts on site
  - Don't ship to yourself at the hotel – hotel may refuse shipment
  - Arata kit with shipping instructions on website
- No AV/access to electricity provided

### Poster Sign Holder

**File Dimensions: 22.5" x 28.5" (Includes Bleeds)**

**@ 100 DPI recommended**

**Finished Size: 22" x 28"**

**File Specs:**

- CMYK
- Convert all fonts to outlines
- Provide all linked files
- Provide any critical PMS colors
- 1/4" Bleed on each of 4 sides
- Extend background to full bleed



File Version: 1



## ATE CONNECTS SERVICE MANUAL

### 2024 ATE Principal Investigators' Conference

October 23-25, 2024  
Omni Shoreham Hotel  
Washington, DC





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Spartanburg Community College

## Developing an Industry Led Data Analytics Program for the Upstate of South Carolina

**Goal:**  
Address the critical need for data analytics technicians in the Upstate of South Carolina

**BILT Members**

**Purpose**  
Financial

**Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System**

**Grant Activities of Year 2**

- BILT (Business Industry Leadership Team) met to re-validate knowledge, skills and abilities for data analytics technicians
- Hired a Success Coach/Recruiter and two lab assistants
- Organized STEM camps for middle and high school students
- Invited a local data analyst/BILT member to teach two days of STEM sessions
- Launched our first Data Analytics cohort in Fall 2023
- Established a Women in Tech Club

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**SECURITY FINANCE**  
We're a team. We're the team.

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## First Time Grantees

- First time ATE PIs on newly funded projects in FY24 are welcome to host a conversation hub but are not expected or required to do so.
- First time ATE grantees have the option to prepare and bring copies of a one-page handout to place in “New to ATE Grantee Corner” handout holders available in the lounge areas of the exhibit hall.

## First Time Grantees One-Pagers

- College Name
- Project Title
- Project Goal
- Project Objectives – 2-3 main objectives (including population served)
- Collaborations/Partnerships – List 2-3 key current collaborators/partners
- Highlight 1-2 planned grant activities for the first year of the grant
- PI and Co-PI Names and contact information

Examples provided on conference website



# First Time Grantees One-Pagers

Make and bring your own  
copies (suggested 50)

See AACC attendant  
during set-up period  
for placement in  
“New to ATE Grantee  
Corner” in lounge space



## AMPING UP TODAY'S ELECTRIC DRIVE AUTOMOTIVE EDUCATION

AMPED Technology Certification: Advanced Modules in Powered Electric Drive Technology Certification

AMPED (Advanced Modules in Powered Electric Drive) will create two new stackable certificates at M State that will enable current students, past graduates, and current industry technicians to advance their knowledge and capabilities to diagnose, service, repair, replace and maintain electric vehicle technologies.

### PROJECT DELIVERABLES:

- Provide a certificate in hybrid and electric vehicle technologies
- Train existing technicians in hybrid and electric vehicle technologies
- Provide "Train the Trainer" opportunities for other high school/college instructors
- Create open education resources for high school/technical colleges across the country
- Provide charging infrastructure for the public at our college
- Provide outreach events to first responders and to the public

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GRANTEE  
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Pick up some  
handouts here  
to learn about



## ATE Connects “Fun!”

Great  
refreshments!

Networking  
lounge areas

ATE Connects  
*Countdowns*









## **ATE Connects Countdowns**

- New this year!
- Fast 10-minute sessions highlighting Top 10 (or less) best practices, technology trends, and/or lessons learned in advancing STEM technician education.
- Four sessions per ATE Connects
- Samples sessions:
  - *Top 5 Ways to Use AI to Broaden the Impact of Your College*
  - *Top 5 Strategies to Stay Nimble Amidst the Semiconductor Renaissance*
  - *Enhancing Grant Success: Top 5 Strategies to Maximize Administrative Support*
- Schedule posted in program and in exhibit hall.



## Upcoming Session

ATE Conference Orientation Webinar

Thursday, October 10

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. EDT

[www.ATEPIConference.com](http://www.ATEPIConference.com)

## Upcoming Deadlines

- Student Application Deadline  
Thursday, September 12, 2024
- ATE Connects Conversation “Hub” Reservations due\*  
Thursday, September 19, 2024
- Conference Registration &  
Hotel Reservation Deadline  
Thursday, September 26, 2024

*\*required*

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