



SOCIETY OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
IN MANAGEMENT

Background

Over thirty years ago, a seasoned group of psychologists, who believed that their career paths would benefit from a unique professional association, founded the Society of Psychologists in Management (SPIM). Since the very beginning SPIM has attracted a diverse group of psychologists who serve as managers, executives, public sector administrators, academicians, and consultants. They are experienced professionals, many of whom have line authority and budgetary discretion.

The primary gathering for members is the annual conference held in the early spring. This meeting generally alternates between sites in the southwest and southeast United States. The theme of the conference changes every year, as SPIM members would expect. Some of the more recent conference titles are:

- 2010 Managing at the Cutting Edge: Back to Basics
- 2011 Practice, Practice, Practice Makes Perfect
- 2012 Refocus, Inspire, Innovate: Leadership as Science and Art
- 2013 Enjoy a Look Ahead: Thriving in the Future
- 2014 Building Resilience for a Stronger Future
- 2015 Leading In a Changing World
- 2016 Leading Institutional Change in Turbulent Times
- 2017 The Heart and Mind of Leadership

Conferences are relatively intimate events with attendance averaging about 90 professionals a year. There is a great deal of informal, professional discussion in addition to the usual conference presentations and Q&A. Topics are often approached from an unusual perspective, sparking discussions that persist long after the sessions are over.

SPIM Conference 2018

The 2018 conference, workshops, and institutes will be held in Atlantic Beach, FL, February 21st – February 25th. The theme is: Navigating Leadership and Organizational Transitions

Speakers will cover topics such as:

- Psychologists as Entrepreneurs
- Encouraging and Coaching Your Dream: Starting your Own Business for Psychologists
- Leadership in Higher Education: Developmental Imperatives and Challenges
- To Leave or Stay: Consulting on this Important Decision

The conference is a key venue for engaging experienced professionals and sharing new ideas. It is an important professional home. In addition to its core membership, SPIM is expanding its reach through conference workshops such as “Transitioning from Psychologist to Psychologist-Manager.” This event draws psychologists who are just starting their managerial journey and are getting their first experience of SPIM fellowship and camaraderie.

SPIM conference attendees respect the products and services offered by conference sponsors. Attendees are an inquisitive, engaged group, interested in making themselves and the organizations they serve more effective. As such they are eclectic in outlook and open-minded to effective, innovative products and services.

Attendees are also truly appreciative of the contribution that sponsors make to the success of the conference. They respect the fact that a sponsor understands the value in reaching out to a relatively small but influential group of professionals. Sponsors who have attended the conference have commented favorably on the quality of the event and the people they have met.

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