



ENGAGE & LEARN

2026 TRAINING & EVENTS OFFERINGS

Award & Application Submissions

IL State Legislative Summit Crasher Application

February 16-March 6, 2026

ICUL Award Submissions

March 2-May 4, 2026

ACU (State Level) Award Submissions

June 8-August 3, 2026

Annual Convention Crasher Application

August 3-September 11, 2026

ACU GAC Crasher Application

November 1-December 1, 2026

YP Associate Board Member Application

November 15-December 15, 2026

YP Committee & Ambassador Application

November 23, 2026-January 4, 2026

[CONTACT | HELLO@ICUL.COM](mailto:HELLO@ICUL.COM)

America's Credit Unions GAC

March 1-5, 2026 | Washington, D.C.

ICU Foundation Exploring Why

March 25, 2026 | Naperville, IL

Peer Networking Symposium

March 26, 2026 | Naperville, IL

Manager & Leadership Workshop

April 8-9, 2026 | Naperville, IL

IL State Legislative Summit

April 13-14, 2026 | Springfield, IL

Women's Leadership Conference

May 13-14, 2026 | Lombard, IL

Young Professionals Conference

June 11-12, 2026 | Naperville, IL

CUPAC Golf Outing

June 16, 2026 | Lemont, IL

Lending School

June 24-25, 2026 | Naperville, IL

Small Asset Size Roundtable

July 8, 2026 | Decatur, IL

#ILoveMyCreditUnion

July 31, 2026 | Social Media Event

Small Asset Size Roundtable

August 20, 2026 | Wheaton, IL

ICU Foundation Golf Outing

September 2, 2026 | Sugar Grove, IL

Hike the Hill

September 15-17, 2026 | Washington, D.C.

96th Annual Convention

October 22-24, 2026 | Chicago, IL

Attorneys' Conference & Compliance Symposium

November 5-6, 2026 | Oakbrook, IL

ICU Foundation Reality Fair Workshop

November 17, 2026 | Springfield, IL

Peer Networking Symposium

November 18, 2026 | Springfield, IL

2026 Event Descriptions



Peer Networking Symposiums | March 26 & November 18

Connect. Collaborate. Innovate! ICUL's Peer Networking Symposiums bring together credit union professionals for powerful idea-sharing and problem-solving. With 12 peer groups to choose from, you can dive deep into your role or mix it up for fresh perspectives. This year, join us for two exciting symposiums, one in Naperville and one in Springfield, and become part of a thriving professional community.

Manager & Leadership Workshop | April 8-9

Ignite your leadership potential! Whether you're a new manager or a seasoned pro, this workshop delivers practical tools and energizing strategies to lead with confidence. Learn how to navigate crucial conversations, master coaching techniques, and inspire accountability. Walk away with a leadership toolkit you can use immediately!

State Legislative Summit | April 13-14

Be the voice of credit unions! At the State Legislative Summit, you'll join forces with industry advocates to champion the credit union cause at the Illinois General Assembly. This action-packed event includes the Annual Delegates Meeting, CUPAC silent auction, influential speakers, Capitol visits, and a legislative reception. Your advocacy matters, make it count!

Women's Leadership Conference | May 13-14

Empower. Connect. Lead! Curated by women for women, this inspiring event celebrates leadership and collaboration in the credit union industry. Learn from dynamic speakers, share experiences, and build a powerful network. Kick things off with a pre-event cocktail reception you won't want to miss!

Young Professionals Conference | June 11-12

Fuel your future! The Young Professional Conference is your launchpad for growth, packed with credit union fundamentals, skill-building sessions, and networking opportunities. Connect with peers, gain confidence, and take your career to the next level in a vibrant, supportive environment.

CUPAC Golf Outing | June 16

Tee up for a cause! On June 16, 2026, join us at Ruffled Feathers Golf Club in Lemont for a day of friendly competition, networking, and honoring Don Edwards' legacy. Every swing supports CUPAC's mission to promote good government and favorable legislation for credit unions. Don't miss this unforgettable event!

2026 Event Descriptions



Lending School | June 24 & 25

Level up your lending expertise! This two-day immersive training covers everything from loan interviews and best practices to managing indirect lending channels. Whether you're on the front lines or leading a team, you'll leave with actionable tools to better serve your members.

Small Asset Size Roundtable | July 8 & August 20

Big ideas for small credit unions! Join us for two dynamic roundtables designed exclusively for credit unions under \$100 million in assets. Dive into lending strategies, regulatory updates, and expert insights while building lasting connections with peers. We'll see you in Decatur and Wheaton!

ICUF Golf Outing | September 2

Swing into fun! Join us at Bliss Creek Golf Course in Sugar Grove on September 2, 2026, for the ICU Foundation's annual golf outing. Enjoy a relaxing scramble with friends and colleagues while supporting a great cause. It's the perfect blend of networking and recreation!

Hike the Hill | September 15-17

Take advocacy to new heights! "Hike the Hill" brings Illinois credit union leaders to Washington, D.C., to meet lawmakers and regulators face-to-face. Share your story, strengthen relationships, and champion financial well-being for our communities. Your voice matters, make it heard on Capitol Hill!

Annual Convention | October 22-24

The ultimate credit union experience! ICUL's Annual Convention brings together over 500 industry peers for three days of innovation, education, and connection. Enjoy keynote speakers, breakout sessions, vendor exhibits, entertainment, and endless networking opportunities. This is THE event of the year, don't miss it!

ICU Foundation: Reality Fairs | November 17

Teen Reality Fairs

Step into the real world of money management! Teen Reality Fairs give students hands-on experience in budgeting and financial decision-making. Through the dynamic Bite of Reality program, available in app, online, or paper format, students learn how to balance wants and needs in a fun, interactive way. Best of all, these resources are provided at no cost to credit unions by the ICU Foundation!

Retirement Reality Fairs

Ready to plan for your future? Retirement Reality Fairs let participants use their real-life situations to create a personalized roadmap for retirement. With the Retire on Track program, you'll gain practical insights and strategies to secure your financial future. Join us in Springfield for this eye-opening experience compliments of the ICU Foundation!