

## FSA Training Conference

### Speaker Bio

Session(s): FS3. Foreign Schools Audit Guide Update; B02. Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (CARES, CRRSAA, & ARP)

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Amy Bales is an auditor for the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Inspector General (ED-OIG), Non-Federal Audit Team, stationed in Kansas City, Missouri. As a member of the Non-Federal Audit Team, she is responsible for ensuring that non-federal audits meet requirements and are reliable and effective tools to improve the integrity and effectiveness of ED programs. Ms. Bales is tasked with reviewing the quality of audits and attestation engagements of non-federal entities, providing technical assistance and guidance to auditors and recipients of ED funds, and developing and updating audit guides for for-profit and foreign entities receiving ED funds. She also serves as a TeamMate Champion for the Non-Federal Audit team, providing audit software assistance and troubleshooting to staff.



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