



Day 3 Overview

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Today we'll cover:

- Opportunities: ATALM and Repatriation Support
- State Program Report (SPR)
- Allowable costs (and unallowable costs!)
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Pacific Islander Delegate Program

Up to 25 fully supported delegates | Spokane, WA | September 21–24, 2026

The Institute of Museum and Library Services has made a **three-year commitment** to support the **Pacific Island Cohort**, strengthening long-term relationships, capacity, and collaboration among Indigenous cultural institutions across the Pacific and beyond.

Apply now: Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis until funds are allocated or until March 2, 2026

Delegate support includes: Airfare (including reasonable layover expenses), lodging, conference registration, local transportation, and per diem.



- **Eligibility:** Applicants must work in an Indigenous cultural setting in: **American Samoa; Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; Federated States of Micronesia; Guam; Republic of the Marshall Islands; Palau.**
- **Delegate expectations:** Participate in Zoom cohort gatherings, advise on conference programming, and participate fully in ATALM2026.
- **Optional:** Submit a session proposal (Dec. 17, 2025–Feb. 10, 2026).

APPLY TO BE A DELEGATE (MARCH 2 DEADLINE)

SUBMIT A SESSION PROPOSAL (FEBRUARY 10 DEADLINE)

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Opportunities – Repatriation Support

- **Repatriation:** the return of something to its country of origin (in our context – cultural heritage material)
- IMLS works with the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Department of State to help federally recognized tribes – now expanded to Insular Areas
- Professional development and exchange opportunities (sponsored travel); consider applying
- Program is known as Native American International Museum Exchange (NAIME)



NAIME – Repatriation Support Resources

- Interest application form at: <https://forms.office.com/g/iZNCgq5Ed4>
- Successful applicants will receive: a 7-10 day trip for up to 5 participants, plus additional funds to support repatriation (not a grant, but costs covered)
- Current round closing May 8, 2026 is **only for tribes**, but 4 more cycles are anticipated through 2028)
- For the Insular Areas, DOI is planning a listening session (date TBD) and plans to select up to 3 organizations to participate in FY 2027 and 2028.
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