



## LISA Z. FAIN

### Speaker Biography

Lisa Fain is the CEO of Center for Mentoring Excellence, and an expert in the intersection of cultural competency and mentoring. Her passion for diversity and inclusion work fuels her strong conviction that leveraging differences creates a better workplace and drives better business results.

Lisa brings her energy, enthusiasm and engagement to any group, facilitating lively workshops and training and delivering interactive speeches with practical steps that can be implemented right away.

With Center for Mentoring Excellence founder Dr. Lois Zachary, Lisa is the co-author of the recently released *Bridging Differences for Better Mentoring*, a book that brings to life the stories, tips and tools for communicating effectively across differences in mentoring.

As Senior Director of the Diversity and Inclusion function at Outerwall, Inc., Lisa spearheaded the development, establishment and implementation of its diversity initiative.

For almost a decade, Lisa practiced law in the Chicago office of a major multinational, where she counselled employers on creating inclusive policies and practices. While in that role she served as a Master Trainer, training thousands of employees at a variety of companies, large and small, on how to create a better workplace.

Lisa also founded Vista Coaching, a division of Center for Mentoring Excellence, which provides group coaching for professional women looking to design and live their best lives. She is a certified mediator.

She graduated with a B.S. in Social Policy from Northwestern University and holds a JD from Northwestern University School of Law.

She lives in Seattle, WA with her husband and 2 teenage daughters.

