



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Before the Conference

**1. I'm interested in attending; how do I make a hotel reservation?**

We have room blocks available at the Hampton Inn in Central Valley and the Holiday Inn Express in Fort Montgomery.

[Click here](#) for more information regarding the hotels.

Be sure to ask the reservation agent what the individual cancellation policy is prior to booking.

**2. Is there a registration fee?**

Yes, there will be a main registration fee which will include conference memorabilia, an event processing fee, and items associated with event overhead (buses, audio/visual, printing, etc.). The registration fee will be in addition to the cost of any meals you plan to attend. Registration fees are non-refundable.

**3. How do I Register?**

Registration will open Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Be on the lookout for an event invitation and announcement in WPAOG's First Call e-newsletter and Facebook, as well as the West Point Women Facebook page.

**4. I just registered, but now want to add or cancel an event?**

You will be able to make changes to your registration via your unique confirmation code which will be sent immediately after you register for the first time. The registration link will be included in the invitation.

**5. Can I pay at the door?**

Yes, if we have space available. Please see a member from the events staff at one of the registration tables. Registration times are located on the conference schedule.

**6. Can I bring a guest to the conference?**

The conference is opened to all West Point Women graduates and their guests. All guests will be required to pay the same fee as the main registrant.

**7. Where can I find the conference schedule?**

**On our conference website:**

<https://www.westpointaog.org/2022WPWomenConference>

**8. Why do I need to register for the breakout sessions in advance?**

To provide you with a well-balanced conference, we have a few sessions that take place simultaneously. Please choose the session you wish to attend and keep in mind that space may be limited depending on the interest level. Spaces are first-come, first-registered.

**9. Where can I find the attendee list?**

The attendee list can be found on the conference website and is updated daily.

**10. What is the refund policy?**

Registration fees are nonrefundable and individual meals can be refunded up to a week prior to the conference, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**11. When does Registration close?**

Registration closes Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 10pm ET

**12. How can I support the conference financially?**

To become an event sponsor, [click here](#) for more information or email [sponsorships@wpaog.org](mailto:sponsorships@wpaog.org).

**13. What is the difference between the Women's Conference Endowment support and the 2022 Women's Conference sponsorship?**

The West Point Association of Graduates solicited for the past several years from graduates and friends alike to support the Women's Endowment. The goal was to raise a \$500,000 endowment which would generate income to support the conference in perpetuity. In 2022, the WPAOG has secured a commitment to fully fund this endowment. However, this endowment needs time to invest. The 2026 Women's Conference will be the first conference that will be supported by the endowment income. The 2022 Women's Conference is seeking sponsorships to fund itself while the endowment matures.

**14. What safety measures are put in place during COVID?**

Hand sanitizing stations are available throughout the buildings and there will be hand sanitizer bottles at the registration desk, as well as and hand sanitizing wipes.

Masks are no longer required indoors regardless of vaccination status due to the current low risk conditions in our area. However, if you feel more comfortable wearing mask, please do so.

**15. Will I be required to show proof of vaccination or negative PCR test?**

Based on current conditions, proof of vaccination or negative COVID test within 72 hours of arrival is required for everyone.

**16. What should I bring?**

Business Cards

Camera -take pictures or video!

Lots of creative energy!

Thursday attire: Business casual attire (Women –skirt, khakis or pants, open-collar shirt or casual top, casual-style dress; Men – sport coat or blazer with slacks or khakis, dress shirt with optional tie, or casual button-down shirt, open-collar, or polo shirt). Be sure to represent your class proudly.

Friday attire: Stylish and classy business casual during the day and cocktail at night – but make sure you rock the Black and Gold.

Saturday attire: As for Spirit-show off your best Old Grad style and which sport you played in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary of Title IX.

Vaccination cards

**17. Is there a mobile app for this event?**

Yes, the mobile application will be made available 2 weeks prior to the start of the conference and will be used during the conference to communicate messages regarding the conference activities.

**During the Conference**

## 1. What happens on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday?

Thursday: Optional hike to Mine Torne Mountain, Memorial Service, Hop on/hop off shuttle around West Point, Welcome Reception

Friday: Breakfast, Conference Welcome, Academy Update Brief, Conference Photo, Breakouts, Lunch with Keynote Speaker, Panel Session, Wrap-Up, Cocktails & Dinner with Keynote Speaker

Saturday: Breakfast, Panel Sessions, Breakouts, Lunch with Keynote Speaker, Closing Remarks, Spirit Networking Reception

## 2. How do I enter West Point?

Visitors 17 years of age and above without a valid (not expired) Department of Defense issued identification card must report to the Visitor Control Center at 2107 New South Post Rd, West Point, NY 10996 to conduct a NCIC-III background check prior to entering the installation in accordance with DOD Directive 2014-05.

All visitors without a valid DOD ID card must present a valid form of identification to enter West Point; [click here](#) to view the current list of approved state driver's licenses. If you do not have an approved license, you will be required to show another valid form of identification, such as a passport, to enter post.

**If you will not be using the conference buses or you will be entering West Point before a reunion check-in, we recommend that you sign-up for a Grad Pass (for you and everyone in your group). This must be done 3 business days prior to your arrival. For more information, please click this link: <https://www.westpointaog.org/gradpass>**

For more information, please visit the West Point Garrison webpage: <https://www.westpoint.edu/visiting-west-point>.

## 3. Is there bus transportation provided from the hotels to West Point?

Yes, please [click here](#) for the conference schedule which has the bus departure information.

## 4. If I decide not to use the bus, where can I park?

Parking passes are not issued to visitors except on football game Saturdays.

Parking is extremely limited in the Central Post area of West Point, the vicinity of the academic buildings and barracks. Parking in this area requires a staff/faculty parking decal.

Parking is generally available in the following areas: Buffalo Soldier Field, old PX parking lot (near the cemetery, K Lot on the West Point Map), Visitors Center (West Point Museum Parking), Most Holy Trinity Chapel, Herbert Alumni Center, and in the vicinity of Eisenhower Hall. **Note: We plan to have parking available at Buffalo Soldier Field.**

Allow plenty of time to walk to your destination since there is no longer a post shuttle.

Handicapped parking spots are available in all parking lots with a permit or plates for people with disabilities. Spots are first-come, first-served.

**5. Do you recommend any car service companies to take me to and from the airport?**

Uber: [www.uber.com](http://www.uber.com)

Visconti Limousine: 845.562.5671, [www.viscontirides.com](http://www.viscontirides.com)

**6. What's on the menu?**

**Mine Torne Boxed Breakfast:** Fruit Salad, Crumb Cake, Bagel (butter, cream cheese, & jelly include), Bottled Water.

**Thursday Welcome Reception:** Passed hors d'oeuvres: Bacon Wrapped Dates, Miniature Brie on Croute w/Pear, Miniature Maryland Crab Cakes, Sesame Chicken, Sliced Sirloin on Baguette. Stations: Burger Slider Station - Mini Cheeseburgers, Mini Veggie Burgers, Mini Pulled Pork Burgers, Mini Ahi Tuna Burgers; Raw Bar – Shrimp Cocktail, Clams on the Half Shell, Oysters on the Half Shell, Mussels Marinara; Vegetarian Station: Fresh Crudit  & Dips, Hummus Bar, Assorted Bread Sticks, White Bean & Tomato Salad, Black Bean Salad, Roasted Corn Salad, Red Quinoa & Mango Salad. Beverages: Top Shelf Open Bar.

**Friday Breakfast:** Choice of Breakfast Sandwiches: Bacon, Egg & Cheese; Sausage, Egg & Cheese; Egg & Cheese. Whole Fruit, Assorted Yogurt. Beverages: Coffee & Tea, Bottled Water.

**Friday Lunch:** Farmer's Market Buffet Spread - Salad Bar: Greens, Broccoli Slaw, Orzo Salad, Fruit Salad; Sandwich Bar: Tuna Salad, Egg Salad, Herb Marinated Grilled Chicken Breast, Croissants and Rolls; Dessert: Assorted Cookies; Beverages: Water, Iced Tea, Coffee & Tea. Gluten Free Buffet line will be available.

**Friday Cocktails/Dinner:** Cocktails: Passed hors d'oeuvres: Beef Empanada, Buffalo Chicken Bites, Mini Crab Cakes, Vegetable Spring Rolls. Plated Dinner: Ike's House Salad, Hudson Asiago Chicken, Chef's Choice of Potato and Seasonal Vegetable. Dessert: Chocolate Mousse Cake. Beverages: Coffee, Tea, Top Shelf Open Bar (7pm-9pm), and Wine Service during the dinner (8pm-10pm). Vegetarian Option upon request.

**Saturday Breakfast:** Choice of Breakfast Sandwiches: Bacon, Egg & Cheese; Sausage, Egg & Cheese; Egg & Cheese. Whole Fruit, Assorted Yogurt. Beverages: Coffee & Tea, Bottled Water.

**Saturday Lunch:** Alumni Deli Buffet Spread – Tossed Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings, Potato & Pasta Salad. Build Your Own: Boars Head Cold Cuts (Turkey, Ham, Roast Beef, American Cheese, Swiss, Provolone, Homemade Tuna Salad) with Select Deli Breads; Pickle Bar and Potato Chips; Dessert: Assorted Cookies; Beverages: Water, Iced Tea, Coffee & Tea. Gluten Free Buffet line will be available.

**Saturday Networking Reception:** Crudit  with a Cucumber Wasabi Dip, Potato Chips with Onion Dip, Tostitos. Beverages: Assorted Seltzer, Soda, Bottled Water, and Open Bar of Beer & Wine.

**7. I have dietary restrictions or special walking needs; how can you help?**

If you've indicated your needs on the registration, the conference planning team will do our best to accommodate you.

If you did not indicate your needs on the registration form, please contact the WPAOG Events Team: [alumniconferences@wpaog.org](mailto:alumniconferences@wpaog.org), or 845.446.1649.

**8. Where can I pick-up my extra order gear?**

Extra order gear items are shipped ahead of the conference. Conference memorabilia can be picked up at the registration table.

**9. What are the WPAOG's Gift Shop hours?**

Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm. The Gift Shop will have extended hours during the conference on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> until 7pm.

**10. What resource/assistance is provided over the weekend?**

There will be an on-site team of event coordinators that can assist you throughout the conference. Please check-in with them at the registration table.

**11. Do I have access to Centra Area, Thayer Hall, or the C-store during the conference?**

The Cadet Personnel area is currently restricted at this time to cadets and USMA staff and faculty for the health and safety of The Corps.

**After the Conference**

**1. If I end up cancelling last minute, how will I receive my registration items and my extra order gear?**

Your items will be mailed to you within 2 weeks from the last date of the conference.

**2. Will conference programs, virtual presentations, or slides be available after the conference?**

Yes, everything will be available 1 week after the conference and will be sent along with our event survey.

**Didn't find what you're looking for?**

We are happy to help. Email us at [alumniconferences@wpaog.org](mailto:alumniconferences@wpaog.org) and we will get back to you shortly.