Know Before You Go

Thank you for registering for the WiDS Worldwide, Stanford Conference 2024. Read this document to help you prepare for the event.

Event:

Location: Frances C. Arrillaga Alumni Center 326 Galvez St. Stanford, CA

Where is Stanford?

Registration: The WiDS registration desk will be located in the lobby of the Frances C. Arrillaga Alumni Center. Pick up your badge at the registration desk.

Attire: Casual is suggested. Please remember to bring a sweater or light jacket as the meeting rooms might be chilly. Wear comfortable shoes.

See the detailed agenda here.

Here's a summary of the day on March 8th.

8:00 - 8:30 am Breakfast reception
9:00 - 9:05 am Conference begins
4:40 - 4:50 pm Conference ends
4:50 - 6:00 pm Networking reception

Stay Healthy:

Here are some COVID-19 Resources

Lodging:

- Local Lodging

Transportation:

- Public transportation options from SFO airport
Transportation to/from Stanford from airports

Free public shuttle “Marquerite” can be used for getting around campus and nearby community

For public transportation from Palo Alto to San Francisco or San Jose and everywhere in between, use Caltrain, the San Francisco Bay Area train system.

From the Palo Alto Caltrain station, you can also connect to the BART subway system from Caltrain to go to the East Bay (Berkeley, Oakland, Dublin, etc.), by taking the northbound train and transferring to BART at the Millbrae station.

- BART Millbrae Station

Navigating Stanford campus and information for people with physical mobility constraints

Parking on Stanford campus

- Discounted Conference Parking is available with this link.
- Persons with Disabilities:
  - Department of Motor Vehicles disabled person parking placard
  - You may park on campus with your ADA placard. You do not need a Stanford parking sticker.

Things to do:

- Explore Campus
- Stanford Tresidder Student Union (food, bookstore, coffee)
- Coupa Cafe nearest event venue
- Town & Country Village (shops, pharmacy, restaurants, cafes):
- Cantor Arts Center at Stanford
- Anderson Collection at Stanford
- "Downtown Palo Alto" area with shops, restaurants, cafes approximate starting point
- California Avenue shops, cafe & restaurants
- Stanford Dish hiking trail
Our iconic San Francisco Bay Area food
Here are the top 20 things to do in San Francisco

Before you arrive:

- Update your LinkedIn profile
- Look over the agenda
- Check out our sponsors on LinkedIn, they may have a role open at their company. List of sponsors.
- Bring printed resumes, you never know who you will meet. Make sure your LinkedIn profile is up to date

Don’t forget to:

- Check the weather, you may need an umbrella: Here’s the link to the forecast
- Dress in layers/light jacket
- Follow us for event updates:
  - LinkedIn: @Women in Data Science (WiDS) Worldwide
  - Facebook: @Women in Data Science, WIDS
  - Instagram: @widsworldwide
  - X (Twitter): @WIDS_Worldwide

Questions? Reach out to Andrea Lacy, WiDS Event Lead at widsconference@stanford.edu.