



Conference Venue

Since its inception in 1982, the IDRC has been held (by popular demand!) on the 300-acre campus of Wilson College in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in south central Pennsylvania. Chambersburg's small-town charm and historical significance provide a delightful backdrop for the conference's scientific rigor.

Participants are encouraged to take advantage of economical on-site accommodations, which include clean, well-supplied dormitory rooms, all meals, and the best overall "Chambersburg Conference experience." Most of the rooms are now air-conditioned. Alternate hotel accommodations are available within a few minutes' driving time.

Registration

On-line registration and a more detailed fee schedule at:

WWW.IDRC-CHAMBERSBURG.ORG

Early registration fees are applicable for payments received by June 15, 2016.

Conference Fees	Regular	Early
Full Registration, Meals, Dorm Room	\$675	\$575
Registration, Meals	\$570	\$470
Registration, Dorm Room, No Meals	\$570	\$470
Registration Only	\$465	\$360
Student, Grad-Students & Post-Docs (Meals, Shared Dorm Room)	\$400	\$340
Banquet (fee for guests or non-conferees)	\$50	\$40
Spouse Fee (meals and sharing room with regular conferee)	\$300	\$275
Short Course (2 days)	\$325	\$300
Short Course for Students (2 days)	\$160	\$150
Pre-Conference Housing, Meals for 2-day Short Course	\$125	\$115

18th International Diffuse Reflectance Conference



The Chambersburg Conference

*Wilson College
Chambersburg,
Pennsylvania, USA
July 30 - August 5, 2016*



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The Chambersburg Conference follows the “Gordon Conference” format: the registrants attend plenary morning and evening sessions, with afternoons free for elective activities. This allows a unique opportunity for informal interaction with highly accomplished professionals in the field. Since 1982, this conference has offered opportunities to forge lifelong professional relationships and friendships. Many attendees enthusiastically proclaim the Chambersburg Conference “the BEST!”

All technical presentations are given by carefully chosen invited speakers to ensure scientific quality and relevance. The sessions are designed to be highly inter-disciplinary to stimulate new ideas and provoke discussions that often last into the wee hours of the morning.

A parallel poster program gives all conferees a very visible opportunity to highlight their work. Posters are displayed for several days, with plenty of time for discussions with authors. The most significant posters are judged by a panel of experts and are recognized with cash prizes.



Karl and Maxine Norris, August 2014

Conference Schedule

- Short Course: July 30-31 (Sat./Sun.)
- Technical Sessions: July 31- Aug. 5. (Sun. evening thru Friday noon)

Technical Sessions

- A Universe of Diffuse Reflectance
- Frontiers of NIR Diffuse Reflectance
- Tomas Hirschfeld Award Session
- Instrumentation Advances for Diffuse Reflectance
- Vendor Showcase Session
- Hyperspectral Imaging and Remote Sensing
- Software Shootout Competition
- Gerald S. Birth Award Session
- Exploring Advanced Chemometrics
- Award Banquet with Speaker
- Diffuse Reflectance Meets the Internet of Things

For More Information and Registration

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Short Course

A special integrated 2-day short course is planned for IDRC 2016. Four chosen experts on diffuse reflectance spectroscopy (Donald Dahm, Neal Gallagher, David Hopkins, and Lois Weyer) are preparing to share their hard-won insights in a concentrated team-taught format. Newcomers and experienced researchers alike should see diffuse reflectance in a new light and benefit optimally from the subsequent IDRC technical sessions.

Course topics include: Physics of Diffuse Reflectance, Introduction to Chemometric Methods, Theory and Application of Spectral Pre-treatments, and Interpreting Molecular Vibrational Spectra.

Short course participants are encouraged to arrive Friday, July 29 and take advantage of the pre-conference housing and meals registration option.

Transportation

The closest major airports serving Wilson College are Baltimore-Washington (BWI), Dulles (IAD), Harrisburg, PA (MDT), and Hagerstown, MD (HGR). Ride-sharing is commonly practiced, and the Conference will attempt to match arriving attendees with available drivers at these airports.