

Some Helpful Information about IDRC 2018.

How to get to Wilson College

If you're driving, take the Walker Road exit of I-81, head west on Walker Road and turn right onto Norland Avenue (where all the shopping malls are). Follow Norland about a mile and go under the old railway viaduct. In about 0.3 miles, Norland will 'end' at a stop light onto US Route 11. Turn left at the light (watch out for on-coming traffic from both directions!) - the Wilson College athletic fields will be on your right. Take a 90° right turn in about 0.2 miles, then look for the Wilson College driveway, which will be just ahead on your right. You can park out front of Norland Hall while you check in.

By air- If you aren't renting a car, we try to match times for rides from Dulles, BWI (Baltimore) and Harrisburg airports. It's not guaranteed, but we try our best! This year's ride coordinator is Zachary Harms: idrc.rides@cnirs.org.

Check-In and Accommodations

If you are checking in on Sunday, come to the desk right inside the door of Lenfest Commons (12). You'll be greeted by someone from the IDRC staff who will check you in. They will give you your welcome bag and if you are staying on campus, give you your room key. The dorms are down the sidewalk to the south from the registration. You may park in back of the buildings. See <https://www.wilson.edu/maps-and-directions>. If you are checking in Saturday, please go to Laird Hall (9). Wilson has another function Saturday evening in the commons.



CAMPUS BUILDINGS:

- 1 - South Hall
- 2 - Riddle Hall
- 3 - Rosenkrans Hall
- 4 - Disert Hall
- 5 - Prentis Hall
- 6 - McElwain Hall
- 7 - Davison Hall
- 8 - Joshua W. Sharpe House
- 9 - Laird Hall
- 10 - Thomson Hall
- 11 - Norland Hall

- 12 - Lenfest Commons
- 13 - Jensen Dining Hall
- 14 - Edgar Hall
- 15 - Dance Studio
- 16 - Heating Plant
- 17 - Fitness Center
- 18 - John Stewart Memorial Library
- 19 - Warfield Hall
- 20 - Harmony Cottage
- 21 - Alumnae House
- 22 - Lortz Hall

- 23 - Art Annex
- 24 - Helen M. Beach '24 Veterinary Medical Center
- 25 - Harry R. Brooks Complex for Science, Mathematics and Technology
- 26 - Field Hockey Field
- 27 - Tennis Courts
- 28 - Hankey Center
- 29 - Magill House
- 30 - Physical Plant Offices

- 31 - Maintenance Building
- 32 - Frank E. Gannett Memorial Field House
- Richard Alsina Fulton Center for Sustainable Living and Robyn Van En Center*
- 33 - Fulton Farm
- 34 - Tooke Farmhouse
- 35 - Greenhouses
- 36 - VMT Large and Small Animal Facilities

- 37 - Owens Barn
- 38 - Interpretive Trail
- Penn Hall Equestrian Center*
- 39 - Kitts Outdoor Arena
- 40 - Olive Delp Overly Cook Indoor Arena
- 41 - Hawthorne Indoor Arena
- 42 - Barns (1-3)
- 43 - Storage Barns

Kris's Meadow

- 44 - Rhonda Brake Shreiner Soccer and Lacrosse Field
- 45 - Softball Field

- ★ - Emergency Call Boxes
- P - Parking Lots

The dorms are college dorms, but most are air conditioned. They have shared facilities as you may recall from college days. There are also a number of motels/hotels in the area that are moderately priced.

The food service is in the dining hall (13). Food at the conference is basic college cafeteria food. Meat, fish, starches, a salad bar. Breakfast is the good old American staple of scrambled eggs/bacon/sausage/fried potatoes. You can get cereal and toast, of course, and yogurt. There is always a sandwich bar at lunch, with a selection of cold cuts and good bread. The highlight of the food service is that at lunch and dinner there is always scoop your own ice cream. It's a local brand and very good, usually available in 4-5 flavors.

There are a number of nice restaurants within walking distance downtown. There are other more chain-oriented places east on Norland Avenue.

Meetings are in the Science Center (25). We will be in the auditorium but several rooms around the auditorium are also available for use in meetings, or quiet study.

Other information

If you are trying to give up smoking, this is the place for you! No smoking is allowed on campus, so if you want to light up, you're going to have to take a walk off the Wilson College campus to do so. And they DO enforce this.

Parking- If you bring a car, make sure you park in the spots that Wilson College has assigned to the Conference. Those spots are behind Rosenkrans Hall and behind Laird Hall. The campus police enforce parking regulations.

Dress- The conference is VERY informal, so you aren't even expected to dress 'business casual' (although you probably might not want to wear shorts to the lectures- the air conditioning tends to be a bit on the cold side.) Most presenters don't wear suits and ties. Chambersburg can be extremely hot and humid in late July/early August, so plan accordingly. It's also useful to bring a light jacket or sweater for evenings, which can be cool. You might also bring something nice to wear for the banquet.

Internet- From the last meeting, the WiFi in the Science Center is sporadic and not very fast. In the lecture hall, it depends on where you sit- higher up and to the left when facing the speaker seems to be better. The server does not have a lot of capacity. The service is pretty much ok in the residence hall but perhaps not good for video services like Skype.

Places to go, Things to do

There are some meetings and other things going on in the afternoons, but if you do have free time and have a car, it's worth taking the 40 minute drive to Gettysburg, east on US Route 30. Seek out one of the National Park guides and take a guided tour - they are amazing in their amount of knowledge and their way of presenting one of our most crucial historical events in an interesting manner.

We hope this has been helpful in giving you an idea what to expect. A final word- don't be afraid to talk with anyone, no matter how old or 'famous'. While there are a few 'big egos' around, you'll find almost everyone is overjoyed to share their knowledge with you. All of us were newcomers once. This is the place to learn about NIR and diffuse reflectance.