Western Association of Criminal Justice

2026 Program at a Glance

Tuesday, October 6, 2026		
4:00pm	**WACJ Board meeting and Meeting w/ Hotel *WACJ Executive and Full Board members only-Meet in hotel lobby at 3:45pm***	**Bordeaux/Claret**
Wednesday, October 7, 2026		
11:00am-4:00 pm	**Registration/Hospitality Desk**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
12:15pm	**Afternoon Refreshments (Sponsored by: Sam Houston State University/Criminal Justice)**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
12:45pm-1:00pm	**Opening Remarks: Eric Wodahl, WACJ President**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
1:00pm-2:00pm	**Event # 1: ROUNDTABLE: AB 992 and the Future of Criminal Justice Education: Workforce Development, Educational Pathways, and the Evolving Public Safety Profession**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
2:10pm-3:00pm	**Event # 2: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Policies and Rulings Relating to Criminal Justice**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
3:10pm-4:00pm	**Event # 3: ROUNDTABLE: Graduate Education and Careers: A Roundtable for Graduate Students in Criminal Justice**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
4:00pm-5:30pm	**Event # 4: Set-up and Judging for Student Poster Competition (only student presenters and judges in the room please)**	**Tuscany/ Chardonnay**
5:30pm	**Event # 5: President's Reception (including announcement of the Student Poster Competition results) (Reception & Student Poster Competition sponsored by: Boise State University, Criminal Justice & the College of Education and Public Service)**	**Tuscany/ Chardonnay**

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Thursday, October 8, 2026		
8:00am-12:00pm	**Registration/Hospitality Desk**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
8:30am	**Morning Refreshments (Sponsored by: Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences)**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
9:00am-9:50am	**Event # 6: PANEL: Badge to Degree: Credit for Prior Learning and California's Path to Modern Policing**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
10:00am-10:50am	**Event # 7: PANEL: "On the Docket: Recent Supreme Court Cases Impacting the Criminal Justice System"**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
11:00am-11:15am	**Event # 8: Remarks on Behalf of the ACJS President**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
11:15am	**Event # 9: WACJ General Business Meeting **All invited****	**Bordeaux/Claret**
12:00pm-1:30pm	**Event # 10: WACJ Luncheon Guest Speaker: Dr. Lisa Smyth-Roam, Washoe County Sheriff's Office Forensic Science Division**	**Tuscany/ Chardonnay**
1:30pm-3:30pm	**Registration/Hospitality Desk**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
1:30pm	**Coffee and Dessert (Sponsored by: University of Wyoming)**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
1:30pm-2:20pm	**Event # 11: SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Programs and Initiatives at the Reno Police Department**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
2:30pm-3:30pm	**Event # 12: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Emerging Trends and Systemic Reform**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
3:40-4:40pm	**Event # 13: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Criminal Justice Perspectives on Victim Support, Violence, Recidivism, and Reentry**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
4:45pm	**Event # 14: WACJ Quiz Bowl**	**Bordeaux/Claret**

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Friday, October 9, 2026

9:30am	**Morning Refreshments (Sponsored by: University of Wyoming)**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
10:00am-10:50am	**Event # 15: ROUNDTABLE: Abolitionist Frameworks and Criminal Justice Reform**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
11:00am-11:50pm	**Event # 16: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Treatment, Recovery, and Diversion in Criminal Justice**	**Bordeaux/Claret**
11:50pm	**Closing Remarks: Emmanuel Barthe, 2026-2027 WACJ President**	**Bordeaux/Claret**