

Western Association of Criminal Justice

2025 Program at a Glance

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

3:00pm WACJ Board meeting and Meeting w/ Hotel

*WACJ Executive and Full Board members only-

Meet in hotel lobby at 2:45pm*

Wednesday, October 8, 2025				
11:00am-4:30 pm	Registration/Hospitality Desk	Emerald Bay 123		
12:30pm	Afternoon Refreshments (Sponsored by: Weber State University)	Emerald Bay 123		
1:00pm-1:15pm	Opening Remarks: Kelly Menck, WACJ President	Emerald Bay 123		
1:15pm-2:00pm	Event # 1: ROUNDTABLE: WACJ-Future Possibilities	Emerald Bay 123		
2:10pm-3:00pm	Event # 2: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Using Research to Inform Criminal Justice Policy	Emerald Bay 123		
3:10pm-4:00pm	Event # 3: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Innovations in Justice Research	Emerald Bay 123		
4:00pm-5:30pm	Event # 4: Set-up and Judging for Student Poster Competition (only student presenters and judges in the room please)	Pre Function Area 1 & 2		
5:30pm	Event # 5: President's Reception (including announcement of the Student Poster Competition results) (Reception sponsored by: Boise State University, Criminal Justice and the School of Public Service & Student poster competition awards sponsored by: Springer and WACJ)	Pre Function Area 1 & 2		



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Thursday, October 9, 2025				
8:00am-12:00pm	Registration/Hospitality Desk	Emerald Bay 123		
8:30am	Morning Refreshments (Sponsored by: Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences)	Emerald Bay 123		
9:00am-9:50am	Event # 6: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Incorporating Race and Gender Bias into Criminal Justice Research	Emerald Bay 123		
10:00am-10:50am	Event # 7: BOOK PREVIEW: Cutting Life Short	Emerald Bay 123		
11:00am-11:15am	Event # 8: ACJS President Remarks	Emerald Bay 123		
11:15am	Event # 9: WACJ General Business Meeting **All invited – nominations for Second Vice- President will be taken**	Emerald Bay 123		
12:00pm-1:30pm	Event # 10: WACJ Luncheon Guest Speakers: Chief Deputy Jason Walker & Sergeant George Gomez, Washoe County Sheriff's Office (Featured sponsor: The University of Nevada, Reno)	Emerald Bay A		
1:30pm-3:30pm	Registration/Hospitality Desk	Emerald Bay 123		
1:30pm	Afternoon Refreshments (Sponsored by: University of Wyoming)	Emerald Bay 123		
1:30pm-2:20pm	Event # 11: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice	Emerald Bay 123		
2:45pm	Event # 12: WACJ Pub Trivia	Emerald Bay 123		



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Friday, October 10, 2025				
9:30am	Morning Refreshments (Sponsored by: Sam Houston State University)	Emerald Bay 123		
10:00am-10:50am	Event # 13: PAPER PRESENTATIONS: Teaching, Learning, and Technology in Criminal Justice	Emerald Bay 123		
11:00am-12:00pm	Event # 14: WORKSHOP: The Path to Parole for Lifers Cognitive Behavioral Programming They Can Actually Learn	Emerald Bay 123		
12:00pm	Closing Remarks: Kelly Menck, 2024-2025 WACJ President	Emerald Bay 123		