



THE WOMEN'S COLLEGE
WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

Women's Education Worldwide Conference 6 - 8 January 2010

The Women's College, The University of Sydney

*Empowering Women:
The Economic Imperative*

Conference Update

Conference Program

The topic *Empowering Women: The Economic Imperative* will be explored through a number of themes. These are:

1. Education in Australia/NSW – Devising Ways to Empower Women?
2. Women in Education – Empowering Our Organisations and Communities?
3. Workplace Environments – Enhancing Women's Educational/Training Equity Outcomes?
4. Literacy and Empowerment – Meeting the Needs of All Women?
5. Building Expertise – Facilitating Empowerment through Professional and Alumnae Networks?
6. Empowering Young Women – Identifying New Educational and Leadership Pathways?

The program will address two of the themes each day of the three day conference. Each morning there will be keynote addresses while related seminars and workshops will be offered in the afternoons. Invited speakers will undertake the keynote sessions.

Workshops/seminars will be selected from responses to an expression of interest form. This form will be located on the conference website from September 2009. See www.thewomenscollege.com.au/wew-2010-conference.php

A Conference Program will be available shortly.

Speakers

The following invited speakers have agreed to attend:

- Ms Wendy McCarthy AO, Educator, Change Agent and Public Intellectual (Theme 5)
- Ms Amanda Ellis, Lead Specialist, Gender Group Action Plan, World Bank (Theme 3)
- Ms Jane Sloane, Executive Director, International Women's Development Agency (Theme 4)
- Ms Tracey Beck, Director Alumni and Community Relations, University of Sydney (Theme 5)

Social Program

- Cocktail Party and BBQ (Tuesday 5 January) for WEW members to meet and network
- WEW Executive Dinner (Tuesday 5 January) for pre-conference discussions
- Tours of Sydney University (Wednesday 6 January)
- Formal Reception (Wednesday 6 January) at a Sydney landmark
- A Women's History Tour of Sydney in association with the Jessie Street National Women's Library (Thursday 7 January)
- A Conference Dinner and Guest Speaker (speaker to be confirmed) (Thursday 7 January)

A WEW members' plenary session will be held on the afternoon of Friday 8 January.

Conference Registration and Accommodation

Conference registration is available at an early bird rate (A\$650 for the full three days) until 15 November 2009 and at a standard rate (A\$700 for the full three days) after 15 November 2009. Day and concessional registrations are also available.

Accommodation is available at The Womens College. Total cost for the three nights of the conference including breakfasts ranges from A\$240 for a single room with shared bathroom facilities to A\$315 for a single room with ensuite including breakfasts.

For full details of registration and accommodation costs, please see the downloadable registration form which is now available at

www.thewomenscollege.com.au/wew-2010-conference.php

On-line registration and payment will be available from September 2009.

Business Opportunities and Sponsorships

A package outlining business and sponsorship opportunities has been developed.

Sponsorship funds will support a grant scheme to assist women and female students to attend the conference. Grants of up to A\$1,000 will be available for individual Australian women and students who are resident outside Sydney, while up to A\$2,000 will be available for women and students from outside Australia. Funds will be distributed following application and will be determined on the basis of need. The application form will be available on the Conference website from mid August 2009.

Please note: these funds are separate from the travel grants offered by WEW to WEW members.

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