



2020 Agenda
Officer Women Leadership Symposium (OWLS)
Going Beyond First: Unlimited Possibilities
15-16 April 2020
(as of 25 Nov 19 – subject to change)

Tuesday, 14 April 2020 *(Business Casual Attire or Uniform of the Day)*

7:30a – 5:15p		2020 CAREER COACHING WORKSHOP <i>(Refer to the Career Workshop agenda for more details.)</i>
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Wednesday, 15 April 2020 *(Business Casual Attire or Uniform of the Day)*

8:00a – 5:00p	SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION <i>(Memorial Gallery)</i>
8:00a – 9:00a	CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST <i>(Memorial Gallery)</i>
9:00a – 9:15a	OPENING REMARKS <i>(Memorial Theater)</i> Phyllis Wilson, CWO5, USA, Retired (confirmed) President, Women In Military Service For America Memorial Foundation
9:15a – 10:30a	FINDING YOUR VOICE: ADVOCATING TO CHANGE CULTURE “That’s how we’ve always done it.” Have you heard that before and been frustrated by it? While all legal barriers to women’s service have been removed, there are still aspects of military culture that can hamper full integration. How do you speak up, especially when you are the youngest in the room?
10:30a – 10:45a	MORNING BREAK <i>(Memorial Gallery)</i>
10:45a – 12:00p	TOTAL FORCE: BREAKING NEW GROUND <i>(Memorial Theater)</i> In September 2018, General Maryanne Miller took command of the US Air Force Air Mobility Command. Miller is the thirteenth commander to take the reins since the major command was designated as Air Mobility Command, June 1, 1992. She is the first traditional Reservist to be promoted to four-star general and lead an Air Force major command outside of Air Force Reserve Command.
12:00p - 1:30p	WORKING LUNCH: MENTORING BY MILITARY SERVICE <i>(Memorial Gallery)</i> Attendees will break-out by military branch to engage in mentoring discussions and topics relevant to each service while enjoying a delicious lunch buffet.
1:30p – 2:30p	FEMINISM AS A THEORY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS <i>(Memorial Theater)</i> Many women (and men!) are afraid to call themselves "feminists" because they associate it with bra-burning and man-hating, when in reality, it's an effort to acknowledge women's role in history in order to increase equality.
2:30p – 2:45p	AFTERNOON BREAK & NETWORKING <i>(Memorial Gallery)</i>
2:45p - 3:45p	CREATING IMPACT THROUGH ADVOCACY <i>(Memorial Theater)</i> Dr. Kyleanne M. Hunter , USMC Veteran, DACOWITS, Brady United is a long time gun violence prevention advocate, she co-founded Vets for Gun Reform and has appeared on multiple national and international media outlets speaking on the issue. Dr. Hunter combined her military experience and passion for reform into a career in advocacy. Hear how she thinks you can do the same.
3:45p – 4:00p	AFTERNOON BREAK & NETWORKING <i>(Memorial Gallery)</i>

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4:00p – 5:00p	<p>RIGHT-BRAINED IN A LEFT-BRAIN WORLD: AVENUES FOR CREATIVES IN A STEM WORLD (<i>Memorial Theater</i>)</p> <p>The Armed Services Art Project is dedicated to cultivating community and growth with veterans, service members, military families, and caregivers through the arts. There are just one of many programs available to veterans specifically who want to explore the arts for fun or therapy.</p>
Evening	<p>ARMED SERVICES ARTS PROGRAM PERFORMANCE (OFF SITE)</p> <p>Spend a fun evening with some of the graduates of the Armed Services Art Project's many performance education programs (comedy, improv)</p>

Thursday, 16 April 2020 (<i>Business Casual Attire or Uniform of the Day</i>)	
8:00a – 9:00a	REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST (<i>Memorial Gallery</i>)
8:30a – 9:00a	<p>MEMORIAL PETAL CEREMONY (<i>WIMSA Fountain</i>)</p> <p>In keeping with tradition, join us as we remember and celebrate the memories of our fallen sisters and fellow service members.</p>
9:00a – 9:15a	SERVICE, ACADEMY AND OTHER GROUP PHOTOS (<i>Transition to Memorial Theater</i>)
9:15a – 10:30a	<p>MENTOR, SPONSOR, ALLY (<i>Memorial Theater</i>)</p> <p>Strong mentoring relationships have the capacity to transform individuals and entire organizations. Our keynote speaker will walk through these relationships and their importance for an organization to thrive.</p>
10:30 – 10:45a	MORNING BREAK (<i>Memorial Gallery</i>)
10:45a – 11:45a	<p>MENTORING, HOW TO GET ONE, HOW TO BE ONE (<i>Memorial Theater</i>)</p> <p>No one disputes that having a mentor is a good thing, but how do you find one? If asked, do you know how to be a mentor? Would it be better to be a “sponsor” rather than just a mentor to other women? We'll tackle these and other questions.</p>
11:45a - 1:15p	<p>LUNCH (<i>Memorial Gallery</i>)</p> <p>OWLS Table Talks – Each table will have a topic and a conversation starter/moderator.</p>
1:15p – 1:30p	OWLS PLANNING TEAM REMARKS (<i>Memorial Theater</i>)
1:30p - 2:45p	<p>LEADERSHIP FROM THE STRATEGIC PERSPECTIVE</p> <p>Hear one senior officer's thoughts in leadership, mentorship, and what it takes for a young officer today to get to one of the highest positions in the Department of Defense.</p>
2:45p - 3:00p	AFTERNOON BREAK & NETWORKING (<i>Memorial Gallery</i>)
3:00p – 4:30p	<p>YOUR BODY IS A TOOL (<i>Memorial Theater</i>)</p> <p>You can't be an effective war fighter if your primary weapon – you – is not 100% mission capable. Learn from leaders in this sector about existing trends, current research, as well as new improvements in caring for active duty and women veterans.</p>
4:30p	CONCLUDING REMARKS