NASEC 2012

USNA Information and Conference Logistics (as of 26 Oct 2012 - pm)

The following information is provided as guidance as you prepare to travel to Annapolis to join us for the 3rd annual Naval Academy Science and Engineering Conference – NASEC 2012. We look forward to your arrival and your conference participation!

**General Information ~ USNA:**

The United States Naval Academy (USNA) is the undergraduate university of the U.S. Navy. In addition to being an academic institution, it is a Navy base and a National Historic Registry location. The scenic campus is known as the Yard, with contrasts in architecture reflecting the long and colorful history of the Academy. The student body at USNA is known as the Brigade, and it consists of ~ 4500 Midshipmen. The faculty at USNA is a team of military and civilian instructors numbering ~ 600.

**Conference Logistics:**

**Conference Hotel:** The conference hotel is the O’Callaghan Annapolis Hotel located at 174 West Street. It is within walking distance of the Naval Academy. If walking, one would enter the Naval Academy at the pedestrian entrance at Gate 1 or at Gate 3. Time to walk: ~ 20 minutes in a regular walking pace. (Please note that at night it is best to ride the bus between USNA and the hotel.) [www.ocallaghanhotels-us.com](http://www.ocallaghanhotels-us.com/)

**Conference Attire:** khakis / Dockers with open collared shirts (comparable for women); no shorts
Suggestions – Bring a jacket and an umbrella.

**INFORMATION MEETING & HOTEL CHECK-IN at NOON on Sunday, 4 November at the Hotel:**

NASEC 2012 logistics and hotel room assignments will be coordinated in a hospitality room at the O’Callaghan Hotel. When you arrive at the hotel on Sunday, please check with the staff at the Reservation Desk for the room location.

**NASEC 2012 Badges:** Conference badges & lanyards and a conference Welcome folder of information will be distributed at the Sunday meeting at the hotel.

*The badge (with the lanyard) must be worn & visible at all times while on the Yard.*

**Midshipmen Store Access:** During your time at NASEC 2012, there will be an opportunity for NASEC attendees to shop in the “MidStore”. Your NASEC badge will be required for access to the store and for making purchases. NASEC Midshipmen Escorts can direct you to the MidStore.

**Hotel Rooms and Assigned Roommates:** For students: Hotel rooms / roommates assignments will be made early next week. Faculty will be in individual rooms.

**Check-in and check-out:** Those staying in rooms provided by USNA will check-in during the afternoon meeting at the hotel on Sunday, 6 November. If available, key cards will be provided at the meeting with your conference badge. (If key cards are not ready due to the early arrival time, then your luggage will be stored by the hotel manager in a secure location. In this case, luggage and key cards will be ready when you return to the hotel Sunday night.) “Check-out” is paperless, however, the key cards must be returned to the hotel registration desk when you depart.

**Early arrivals:** Those staying at the conference hotel at their own expense (or on gov’t travel orders) on Saturday night will need to check-in (Sat) and check-out (Sun am) at the hotel registration desk upon arrival.
**Lodging and hotel services:** Services normally available in the hotel rooms (such as room service, pay-per-view, mini-bar, etc.) will **not** be available in the rooms paid for by USNA.

**Internet access at the hotel:** Internet connectivity will be available in the hotel.

**Continental breakfast:** A continental breakfast will be provided on Monday and Tuesday mornings to those registered in USNA-contracted hotel rooms. The location of the breakfast will be posted at the Reservation Desk by the hotel staff. The times of service are included on the NASEC 2012 agenda.

**Vehicle Parking:** Student and faculty attendees from civilian colleges and universities **must** park in the hotel’s parking area since personal vehicles will **not** be permitted on the Yard at USNA.

*After check-out on Tuesday am:* The hotel has agreed to keep the personal vehicles of those attending NASEC in their parking area until after the conference ends. Buses will depart USNA at the end of the conference to return attendees to the hotel to retrieve personal vehicles.

**Luggage:** On Tuesday am, **prior to boarding the buses to USNA,** all luggage must be removed from the hotel rooms. Please secure your luggage in your personal vehicles.

**NOTE:** If you do not have a personal vehicle at the hotel: Bring your luggage to USNA on the bus. It is very important that you do **NOT** leave any luggage with the hotel staff.

**Coming on the Yard:** As a federal installation, **everyone** coming on the Yard (walking or in a vehicle) is required to have a **valid picture ID.** A state issued driver's license, a university or college-issued student ID card, and a government issued passport are the types of valid IDs accepted for entry at USNA.

**Map of USNA:** Federal security restrictions prohibit posting a map of USNA on the NASEC 2012 website. A detailed map will be provided in your conference Welcome folder (available on Sunday).

**Vehicular access to USNA:** Driving onto the Yard is **not permitted without the prior approval** of USNA. (If you have this approval, you have already been notified by the NASEC conference organizers.)

**For Speakers:** **Driving Directions to USNA Pass and Access Office:** Directions and a small route map are provided as a link in the table at the bottom of the NASEC 2012 website.

**Pedestrian access to USNA:** Enter the Academy via the pedestrian entrance at Gate 1 or at Gate 3.

**USNA Buses:** USNA buses will run between the hotel and the Academy (via Gate 8) according to the schedule listed in the conference agenda. The drop-off & pick-up location at USNA will be at the turn-around lot in front of Alumni Hall.

**NASEC 2012 Agenda:** Posted at: [http://www.usna.edu/AcResearch/NASEC2012.html](http://www.usna.edu/AcResearch/NASEC2012.html)

Any changes to the agenda will be updated on-line. An "updated as of ___" notation will be added below the agenda link on the website and at the top of agenda document so that you will know that you are always looking at the most recent agenda.
Using Laptops at USNA: NASEC 2012 wireless connectivity will be via an access-points hub system. More information on connecting to the internet via this system will be provided during NASEC 2012.

You may bring your laptops to USNA. You are encouraged to use them during NASEC 2012, however, your Internet use will be restricted to the conditions defined by the Academy's Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) as described in the “Do's and Don'ts” memo posted on the NASEC 2012 website (at the URL given on page 2 of this document).

EVERYONE intending to connect to the Internet while on the Yard at the Academy MUST:

(1) review the “Do’s and Don’t’s” memo and take the directed actions in the memo, and (2) comply with the ITSD “ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY” for hardware and software.

Please note that failure by a single individual to review and comply with the “Do’s and Don'ts” for laptop use while at the Academy will jeopardize or eliminate the Internet access for ALL NASEC 2012 attendees.

Breakout Discussions: Preference for these sessions was via your NASEC 2012 application.

Energy and Alternative Fuels: room locations TBD
Cyber Space and Security: room locations TBD
Water and Sustainability: room locations TBD

Hands-on / Minds-on Project Sessions: types and locations - forthcoming

Forrestal Lecture and Forrestal NASEC 2012 Reception:

A short, informal reception will be held for the NASEC 2012 attendees in the Coppedge Room of Alumni Hall. The reception will be held immediately following the Forrestal Lecture by Mr. Holliday, Chairman of the Board of the Bank of America Corporation. Midshipmen will escort attendees to the Coppedge Room.

Points of Interest at USNA:

During your time at NASEC 2012, there may be opportunities for attendees to informally tour (with a Midshipman Escort) other locations on the Yard beyond the designated meeting spaces. Two locations which may be of interest:

> Naval Academy Museum in Preble Hall: http://www.usna.edu/Museum/

Open 9 am to 5 pm on Monday through Saturday and 11 am to 5 pm on Sunday

2nd deck of the Museum: Gallery of Ships, which is one of the world’s finest collection of warship models from the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries.

Just opened: War of 1812 Exhibit

> Naval Academy Chapel and John Paul Jones Crypt: http://www.usna.edu/Chaplains/

Usually open 9 am to 4 pm on Monday through Saturday and 1 pm to 4 pm on Sunday

Virtual tours of the Chapel and Crypt: http://www.usna.edu/Chaplains/virtual.htm

Additional “visit” information for USNA: http://www.usna.edu/visit.htm