

WOW Weekend 2024

Friday, November 8

5 p.m: Registration opens, Hamilton-Williams Campus Center, Atrium

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.: **Connection Reception, HWCC Atrium**

Welcome & Dinner, Hamilton-Williams Campus Center, Benes 6:45 p.m.:

Rooms

Keynote, "Elevate Your Life with Purpose," 8 - 9 p.m.:

> Fireside chat with Vidya Nagarajan, MBA, Director of Product Management at Google and Catie Butt '91, J.D., Owner, CEO and Delivery Lead at Evergreen Legal & Business Solutions, LLC.

Saturday, November 9

*Saturday programming will be held in the Hamilton–Williams Campus Center, Benes Rooms

8:30 a.m. Professional headshots available to all attendees

Breakfast

9 - 9:30 a.m. Welcome/Icebreaker

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Session #1: When She Wins, We Win: How Women Improve

Organizations, Culture, and Society.

- Moderator: Natalie Milburn Doan '03, J.D., Vice President, University Advancement, Ohio Wesleyan
- Panelists:
 - Stephanie Hanna, I.D., Attorney and Founder of The Other 85
 - o Franchesca Nestor, Ph.D., M.A., MPP, Department Chair and Associate Professor Politics & Government, Ohio Wesleyan University
 - Marie Rymut Schaefer '07, M.D. Sport and Exercise Medicine Physician, Cleveland Clinic; Head Team Physician, Cleveland State University.
 - Rachel Seibel '10, Business Development & Operations Lead, NBA

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45-11:45 a.m. Panel #2: Embrace Your Unique Strengths: Your path to empowerment

• Facilitator: Lauren Thompson, MAPP, Senior Education Advisor, GALLIIP

11:45-12:45 p.m. Lunch

12:45 – 1:45 p.m. Session #3: Generations in Dialogue: From Boomers to Gen Z, an interactive session around the evolving roles, perceptions, and expectations of women.

- Facilitators:
 - Victoria Joshua Gresh '88, Executive Director, Ohio Assisted Living Association
 - Ronnesha Addison '12, Public Health Program
 Specialist, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - Nikki Pollock '01, Vice President, The Daschle Group, LLC

1:45 – 2:30 p.m. Panel #4: Beyond the Classroom: OWU Connection Experiences and Aspirations of Female College Students Today

- Student Presenters:
 - Amara Carlson '25, current Ohio Wesleyan student
 - Kelsea Cooper '26, current Ohio Wesleyan student
 - o Liz Pollner '26, current Ohio Wesleyan student
 - o Anya Robinson '26, current Ohio Wesleyan student
 - Gabby Gonzalez-Duarte '26, current Ohio Wesleyan student

2:30 p.m.: Break/Buffer

2:45 – 3:45 p.m. Panel #5: Leading by example: How women are shaping the future through service and support (1hr)

- Moderator: Elizabeth Dale '04, Ph.D., Frey Foundation Chair for Family Philanthropy, GVSU
- Panelists:
 - o Raazia Aamir '26, current Ohio Wesleyan student
 - Susan Farrell Palmer H'23, Vice Chair, Toledo Museum of Art
 - Evelyn Jones Walter '91, Founder and Coach, NextUp

3:45 p.m. Closing Keynote: Women of Ohio Wesleyan Reflections

• Amy Prosenjak '94, President, Ste. Michelle Wine Estates