



A FEW TIPS FOR ARRIVING AT THE DOUBLETREE AND AGLS CONSTITUTE

*Were you with us in Portland for 2024? Bring your gen ed champion lanyard!
Show off you are an experienced AGLS attendee!*

- If you are flying into Charlotte, the DoubleTree City Center is a 15-minute (8 miles) ride from Charlotte/Douglas International Airport (CLT). If your driver asks, the DoubleTree is within walking distance of the Convention Center (for idea where you are going).
- Flying into another airport, this will give you an idea of how far you are from the DoubleTree:
- If you are driving, parking is in the adjacent Wake Forest Parking Garage. Take a ticket when entering. Have the ticket with you when you go to the hotel check-in desk to have it validated and paid at the hotel.
- Looking for some Charlotte ideas and discounts? The Charlotte Visitors Bureau's **Destination Experience** site is a great resource. The webpage includes:
 - Things to do, places to eat, events taking place, getting here, getting around, and much more.
 - Information about our **Savings Pass program**, which provides attendees attraction, dining, nightlife, and retail exclusive offers and discounts throughout the city.
- Our meeting location is in the Uptown neighborhood, so you will find within walking distance a wide variety of restaurants and attractions
- Once at the hotel, the check-in desk is in the main lobby on the first floor.
- Tell the front desk clerk that you have parked in the garage. You will have in/out privileges. They will instruct you how to use your ticket to get in and out.
- Our meeting rooms are on the first and second floors. The restaurant – Forcetta Italian -- is on the first floor. You can also visit 'The Financial Grind' to get coffee, snacks, and other grab 'n' go goodies.
- If you will be in town Thursday 5:30PM to 7:00PM, please join us for a Welcome Reception – located in the Discovery Ballroom. There will be light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Domestic/Imported beer, wine, and soft drinks will be available. There will also be some networking fun to be enjoyed.
- The AGLS desk will be in the Mint Ballroom on the second floor (see map below). You will pick up your name badge here. The desk will be open Friday 7AM to 5PM and Saturday 7AM to 5PM.
- Morning coffee will be available on Friday and Saturday in the Mint Ballroom. On Friday and Saturday from 7AM to 8AM. Need coffee before or after those hours? OR visit the Financial Grind on the first floor.

Drive distance: Drive time

Walking distance To the Charlotte Convention Center

8 Miles To the Charlotte/Douglas International Airport

17 Miles To the Concord Rgnl Airport

11 Miles To the Wilgrove Air Park Airport

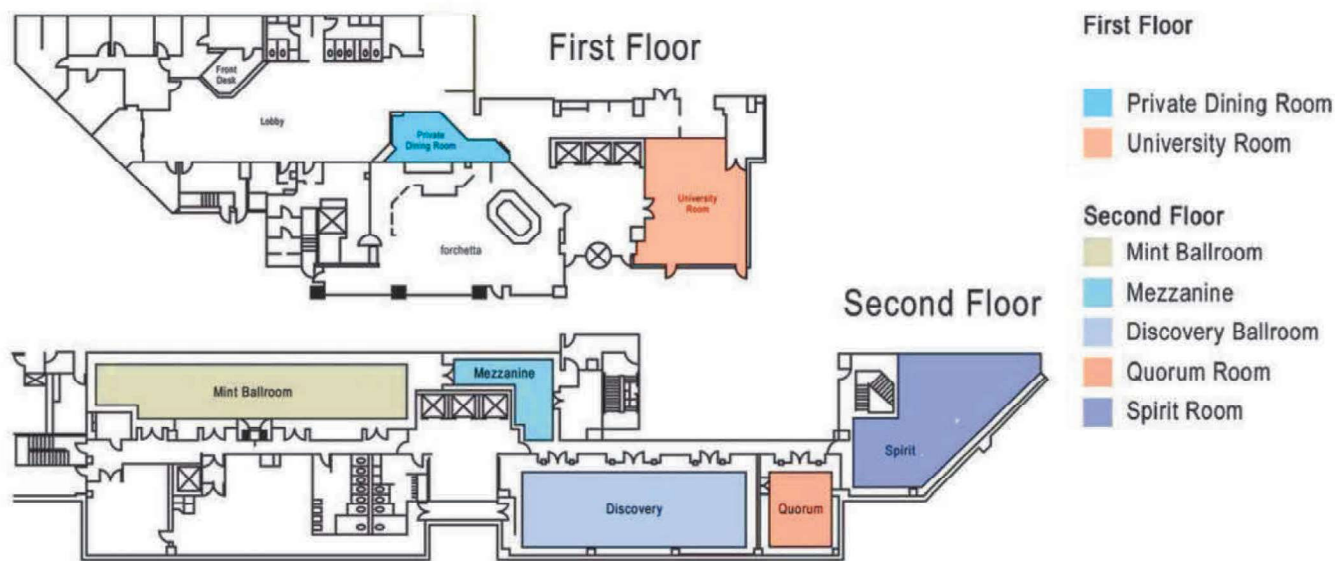
17 Miles To the Concord Regional Airport Airport

40 Miles To the Mid-Carolina Regional Airport Airport

45 Miles To the Statesville Regional Airport Airport

26 Miles To the Rock Hill - York County Airport Airport

- Need a receipt for your accounting people back at campus? Just email us at execdir@agls.org OR ask at the AGLS desk. We will email you one (usually before you get home)!
- Friday and Saturday lunch will be served in the Mint Ballroom.



AGLS Constitute 2026 Charlotte Social Events from Social Event Coordinator, Stephan Biscotte

Okay my geeps! (i.e., gen ed peeps... copyright Bridget Trogden),

For those looking to have some fun in Charlotte, we have pulled together offerings for each night:

Thursday, September 24th

1. **AGLS Conference Welcome Reception:** We hope you will all attend from 6-7:30pm for snacks and cash bar at the conference hotel. Open to all attendees.
2. **J-Rod Sullivan and the 4 Kornerers:** If you like great music set in a cool jazz club, join me (Stephen) for this awesome show! The show starts at 8:30pm, general admission tix are \$45, and the Middle C Jazz Club is just a short 10min walk from the hotel. Dress is classy casual. You can [buy your ticket here](#) (be sure to choose the 8:30 show). [Here is a clip so you know what you would be getting into.](#) Looks to be about a 90min show. I have already bought my ticket, so hope you will join me!
3. **Nearby Hang:** If you are just looking to chill and mingle, we encourage you to make a friend and grab food, drink in the hotel, or take a short walk to restaurants and bars in Uptown.

Friday, September 25th

1. **AGLS President's Reception:** Join us from 5:45-7pm for snacks and drinks at the conference hotel. Open to all attendees.
2. **An Idiot's Guide to Wine:** Yep, it is a touring show that blends standup comedy with wine tasting. It is as if they knew a bunch of gen ed leaders were going to be in town and need this! The show is at 8:30pm and is a 15-minute drive/uber from the hotel. General admission tix are \$68, which includes the show and six wine tastings. You can read more about it and [get your tix here](#) (be sure to choose the Friday at

8:30 show). I (Stephen) plan to do this one IF some others will join... so email me at biscotsm@vt.edu so we can split an uber, laugh and drink wine... because we deserve it!

3. **Charlotte Symphony:** Another option to get out on the town is to see the nearby Charlotte Symphony performing the live soundtrack to Bugs Bunny cartoons. Showtime is 7:30, tickets are \$70-\$115 and [you can read more about it and get tix here](#).
4. **Nearby Hang:** Again, if you are just looking to hang out, hit the Doubletree restaurant/bar or there are a ton of good options in Uptown.

Saturday, September 26th

- **Charlotte FC vs Chicago Fire FC:** Whether you like soccer or not, this is always a great time as the city loves their professional soccer team. It's walking distance from the hotel, game time is 7:30pm and standard admission tix start at \$45. [You can get tix here](#).

If these aren't striking you, there is also the NASCAR Hall of Fame, Pins Mechanical (i.e. adult Chuck-E-Cheese with duckpin bowling, arcade, etc.), and plenty of comedy, concerts, museums, and nightlife to unwind after full days of great gen ed sessions.

Let me know if you have any questions and I look forward to spending time with you all in Charlotte!

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