

# Tulane conference connects and empowers female leaders

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Tulane University alumna Lisa Jackson will give the keynote address during the 2018 Women Making Waves conference. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

[Women Making Waves](#) is a one-day conference at Tulane University designed to celebrate the success of Tulane graduates and to inspire future female leaders. The 2018 conference takes place March 3 and will welcome nearly 200 participants to connect through networking sessions and talks.

The annual conference, now in its fourth year, is run by Tulane Alumni Career Services. This year's theme is "Building Success Through Resilience" and will focus on the struggles women face and the ways in which women can support each other.

"We hope attendees will gain a sense of community, become more optimistic about the future and gain powerful personal connections," said Nicole Bush, director of Alumni Career Services.

The keynote speaker is Tulane alumna [Lisa Jackson](#), vice president of Environment, Policy and Social Initiatives at Apple. Jackson, a member of the Board of Tulane, has a wealth of personal experience as a female leader in a competitive, male-dominated field.

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In addition to the keynote address, there will be small group sessions, dedicated time for networking and panel discussions. A full list of the day's event is available [here](#).

General registration is open to alumni and community members for \$50 per person. A limited number of free student registrations are also available. [Registration is required](#).

"The energy we receive each year from participants, eager to attend again the following year, keeps us invested in the program," said Bush. "We know they appreciate the work we do and we feel invested in their future success. We appreciate the opportunity to positively affect the lives of others."