Suggested Site-Seeing in Northern Arizona

Visit one of the many national parks and monuments in the Flagstaff vicinity:

- Hike along the south rim or into the **Grand Canyon** (85 miles / 90 minutes north-northwest of Flagstaff)

- **Walnut Canyon National Monument, Wupatki National Monument and Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument**

- Explore the high desert vistas including the Painted Desert at **Petrified Forest National Park** (150 miles east of Flagstaff)

- View the Sinagua Indians 20 room cliff-dwelling at **Montezuma Castle National Monument** (50 miles south of Flagstaff)

Stroll downtown Flagstaff, have dinner, shop for souvenirs, and visit Heritage Square (1 mile north of the NAU campus)

Visit the **Museum of Northern Arizona** and learn about the land and the peoples of the Colorado Plateau (5 miles north of the NAU campus)

Look through a telescope at **Lowell Observatory** where the ninth planet Pluto was discovered (1 mile north of the NAU campus, just west of downtown Flagstaff).

Visit the 100-year old **Riordan Historic Mansion** (adjacent to the NAU campus on Riordan Rd.)

View **Meteor Crater** and learn about the impact 50,000 years ago that resulted in a crater 550 feet deep and 4,000 feet across (45 miles east of Flagstaff)

Visit **The Museum Club**, an old-style Route 66 roadhouse and dance club in east Flagstaff.

Drive through Flagstaff along **Route 66** (Santa Fe Avenue) and soak up the history of the “mother road”.

Travel south US-89A down winding switchbacks through Oak Creek Canyon and explore the beautiful Red Rock country in **Sedona, AZ** (26 miles / 45 minutes south of Flagstaff).

Take a sky-ride to the top of the San Francisco Peaks at the **Arizona Snowbowl** and admire the spectacular view (15 miles / 30 minutes north of the NAU campus and site of the conference banquet). Hart Prairie Lodge.
Do some hiking in and around Flagstaff and northern Arizona. Here are some suggestions:

- Hike Mt. Elden is within the Coconino National Forest.
- Hike the San Francisco Peaks is within the Coconino National Forest.
- This [Coconino National Forest](#) website has detailed information about hiking trails in the Flagstaff vicinity, including maps and difficulty ratings, and information on forest closures.