

Feminist psychology in the 21st Century



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AWP is a diverse feminist community of psychologists and allied professionals invested in the integration of personal, professional, and political power in the service of social justice. We challenge unexamined privilege and dominant discourses that marginalize and oppress within psychology and the wider society. AWP accomplishes this by promoting feminist scholarship, teaching, practice, and networking, and through mentoring, activism, and influencing public policy.



Call for Proposals



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Feminism has been central to the mission of AWP since its founding and has been a guidepost for the organization in our many years since. It has enabled us, as a community, to improve our field, our work, and ourselves. Given the immense challenges of the past few years, including racist violence, political authoritarianism, gender injustice, and the pandemic, we hope to use the energy of our community to look towards a new future. Thus, the theme of this conference will center on the power of feminism to transform our worlds – academic, therapeutic, personal, political,

interpersonal, community, global – and the potential to move us forward into a new, more just future.

We encourage proposals that consider how feminism might guide, as well as be guided by, approaches to some of the major defining concerns of our time, such as global issues like climate change and the refugee crisis; human rights issues like the prison industrial complex, police brutality, transphobia, and reproductive health access; or advances in technology as they relate to psychotherapy, sexuality, and social media. We also welcome proposals that take a positive psychology approach to feminism and the future, considering how feminism can inspire us, bring joy, usher in hope, provide encouragement, or contribute to our sense of meaning and purpose in life.

We thoroughly appreciate proposals that involve many definitions of feminism, and hope all will highlight the importance of intersectional feminism as a framework that allow us to strive toward greater inclusion and equity for all and an end to oppression on all fronts. We welcome hearing how each proposal contributes to these goals and will review submissions with this framework in mind.

Highlighted Areas of Focus:

Intersectional & Inclusive Feminisms: What is feminism now? What can feminism be in the future? How can our work become more inclusive of individuals and communities often marginalized in feminist work? What work needs to be done in order to promote a feminist future that is equitable for all? What axes of oppression (e.g., racism, cissexism) need our attention as feminist students and professionals?

Feminist Advocacy & Activism: How can feminism work for the betterment of public good? What public health and social justice issues can we address through feminist advocacy? How can psychology and allied fields approach activism from a feminist lens?

Feminist Science & Research: How can new theories and methodologies revolutionize our science? What does it look like to incorporate intersectionality into contemporary feminist research? What will the next decades of feminist publishing and public science look like?

Feminist Therapy & Healing: What do modern feminist and trauma-informed therapies look like? How can feminism shape mental health systems and access? How can feminism bring connection and growth? What role does feminism play in our individual and collective healing?

Feminist Relationships - Teaching, Training, & Mentoring: What does it look like to implement feminist values into our relationships – personal and professional? How can our training and teaching systems in psychology and allied fields benefit from feminist re-imagining?

Transnational Feminisms & the Global South: How can a transnational feminist lens help us understand and address the impacts of colonization, imperialism, and globalization? How can transnational feminist psychology be used to consider systems of global inequality and counter trends toward universalizing across contexts? How can decolonial and liberatory lenses be utilized in feminist psychology?

As always, AWP welcomes all submissions. Those with research or content that does not directly address one of these highlighted themes are also welcome to submit their work. Even when a submission doesn't fit with the above themes, we encourage the discussion of diversity implications and systemic inequities.

Proposal Submission Instructions

Proposals for AWP 2022 may be submitted for the following types of presentations:

Workshop - 50 minutes, interactive sessions. Designed to share skills, knowledge, and/or experience in research, issue-oriented, or learning/practice areas.

Symposium - 50 minutes, up to 3 papers, grouped together regarding a shared topic of interest. Sessions must include a chair who will facilitate the session and may also have a discussant. Time should be made available for Q+A.

Individual Papers - 12 to 15 minutes. Presentation of theoretical issues, research data, clinical case material, treatment methods, program descriptions, etc. Three individual papers will be grouped together by the program committee on similar themes. The 50-minute session should include time for Q+A.

Structured Discussion - 50-minute facilitated dialogues to bring together those working on similar problems, issues, or concepts to discuss new ideas and to engage in problem-solving. Presenters share their ideas and facilitate group discussion.

Poster – Poster author(s) should be available for the 50-minute Q+A period during the Saturday evening social hour.

Lightning Talk (Abbreviated Paper Presentations) - 7-minute presentation of theoretical issues, research data, clinical case material, treatment methods, program descriptions, etc. The conference organizers will group up to 5 presentations on similar topics in a 50-minute session including time for Q+A.

Pre-conference Training Workshops – interactive mini-courses designed to provide extended learning experiences and professional development in a specific area. They encompass various topics of interest and normally carry continuing education (CE) credits for psychologists and other professionals. Pre-Conference Training Workshops will be scheduled for Thursday, March 3rd. Half-day workshops are either 8am-12pm or 1pm-5pm; full-day workshops are 8am-5pm with a one-hour lunch break. Separate fees

are charged for Pre-Conference Training Workshops. Registration and attendance at the full conference is not required. Presenters receive a portion of workshop attendee fees. (Time = 4hours or 8 hours). In order to be eligible for Continuing Education (CE) credits, proposals must include 3-5 Learning Objectives and a Curriculum Vitae (CV) for each presenter.

Submission Requirements and Procedures

Please limit to 2 first-author presentations per person.

Proposals can be submitted online beginning on August 8, 2021. Submissions will be accepted through September 30, 2021. Submit at https://www.awpsych.org/2022_conference.php

All submissions must include:

- Contact information for all presenters
- 250-500-word abstract describing the session with scholarly references to be used for peer review (for symposia, you must also include a 50-word abstract for each individual paper)
- 50-word brief abstract describing the session to be used in the conference program
- 100-word description of how the proposal considers issues of gender diversity, intersectionality, equity and/or justice
- If you would like your presentation or workshop to be considered for CE credits, you will be able to indicate this interest on the submission portal. No requests for CE credits will be accepted after the proposal deadline.

Notice of Acceptance/Rejection: Proposals will be accepted on the basis of masked review. Notification of acceptance or rejection of program proposals will be made to the corresponding author by the end of November 2021. The corresponding author has the responsibility to inform co-authors.

Questions about the call for proposals? Email Elyssa Klann eklann@towson.edu

Conference Registration

All participants are required to register for the conference. Registration will be available online from the 2022 Conference link on the AWP website at: <http://www.awpsych.org> starting in November 2021. Register by Friday, February 5, 2022, to receive early registration rates.

WE NEED YOUR INSIGHTS & EXPERTISE! SIGN UP TO REVIEW PROPOSALS

Influence the 2022 conference and get a preview of the amazing presentations that will be a part of our program by reviewing submissions. Graduate students are encouraged to volunteer to gain scholarly and service experience, no matter their level of expertise. Reach out if you would like an AWP mentor to assist you in your review.

To volunteer, sign into (or create) your AWP account at Association for Women in Psychology: Home. After you have navigated to the "Proposal Review" page, you will be asked to select your areas of expertise. Administrators from AWP will reach out to you when submissions have closed with an invitation to review submissions within your content area(s).

Conference Collective

Elyssa Klann and Kayla Weiner (Program Committee Co-Chairs)

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