



PASSHE Women's Consortium 2018 Annual Conference

Friday, October 5 - Saturday, October 6, 2018

Lock Haven University

Theme: Redrawing Lines, Remapping Boundaries: Growing the Groundswell in Women's Leadership

The PASSHE Women's Consortium will hold its annual conference at **Lock Haven University on October 5-6, 2018**. Our conference theme this year is **Redrawing Lines, Remapping Boundaries: Growing the Groundswell in Women's Leadership**.

2017-2018 has seen women of all ages taking center stage and leading their communities and nations, not only in the United States but globally, in igniting social change on several fronts. Our conversations about rape, sexual harassment and assault, domestic violence, gun violence, racial discrimination, gender discrimination, and legal discrimination—including voter discrimination—have been forever transformed by the powerful women leaders of all ages spearheading these dialogues. Locally, nationally and globally, these activist movements seek to promote economic justice, environmental justice, educational opportunities, reproductive rights, LGBTQ+ rights, religious freedom, immigrant, and refugee rights to name a few of the major campaigns. Women's leadership has established itself as *the one critical element* essential to transformative social change. In many instances, social media has been a powerful aid in establishing the groundswell of voices being heard in our current historical moment.

We invite 150-word proposals on the topic of women's transformative leadership on issues pertaining to gender, racial, and social justice. We are particularly interested in how women—and girl—led initiatives, locally in our communities and on our campuses, create, participate and adapt the larger national conversations about gender, racial and social justice. We are interested in proposals that address established narratives about women's leadership, as well as stories of new and emerging feminist leaders, leadership issues, and leadership paradigms. Possible topics related to this year's theme include but are not limited to the following:

- Young (Generation Z) women's leadership models

- First wave, second wave, third wave, fourth wave feminisms
- Women, gender and social media
- Gender and Intersectional leadership
- Women's leadership in the workplace
- LGBTQ+ Rights on campus and in the community
- #Sayhername and Women's rights
- #Metoo, #IWillSpeakUp, and Women's Rights
- #BlackLivesMatter, Black Lives Matter movement and women's leadership
- Grassroots feminist activism
- Domestic and sexual violence prevention and women's leadership
- Literature, leadership, readership and gender equality
- Title IX and campus women's issues
- Campus women's centers and gender justice
- Community women's centers and feminist work
- Generational activism (Generation Z, Millennial, etc.)

Although the consortium encourages submission on this year's theme, we welcome submissions on all topics related to women and gender studies. Faculty, staff, directors of women's centers, pride centers, multicultural centers, WGS programs, and undergraduate and graduate students are all invited to submit proposals. All disciplines and programs are welcome. Those outside the PASSHE system are invited to submit as well.

Submit 150 word proposals and 50-word bio by **June 15, 2018**. Notification of acceptances will be emailed by July 30, 2018.

Panel proposals for up to 4 presenters are welcome. Submit a panel abstract of 150 words and bios for each presenter as one submission.

Poster submissions are also encouraged. Please submit a poster proposal of 150 words and a 50-word bio of the presenter.

Proposal submission address: consortiumsubmission@lockhaven.edu

Conference registration fees

Undergraduate students: Free

Adjunct faculty/ Staff/ Graduate Students: 25

Faculty/Community members: 60

For conference inquiries, please contact Dr. Gayatri Devi at gdevi@lockhaven.edu or 570-484-2284.

Conference Marketplace: A vendor marketplace featuring women-owned small businesses is a big draw for conference attendees. If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact Dr. Lisette Schillig at lschilli@lockhaven.edu

The PASSHE Women's Consortium is the only organization within the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education that acts on behalf of all women—students, staff, faculty, and management. The Consortium's initiatives include an annual conference dedicated to women's and gender issues, and summer leadership institutes for faculty, staff, and undergraduate women. Membership in the Consortium is open to all genders, race, ethnicity, age, and sexual orientation. Visit the consortium's website at <http://passhewomensconsortium.org/>.

Questions?

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