

NWSA Student Pre-Conference
Thursday, June 28, 2007

The National Women's Studies Association Student Pre-Conference will offer time to explore the unique concerns of the undergraduate and graduate student constituency of the NWSA.

This half-day pre-conference is intended to strengthen student involvement within the organization as part of NWSA's 30th anniversary celebration and in conjunction with the General Conference theme, "Past Debates, Present Possibilities, Future Feminisms: A Women's and Gender Studies Conference Celebrating 30 Years of NWSA."

The NWSA Student Pre-Conference aims to:

- Engage students in cross-disciplinary discussion
- Promote and increase activism among NWSA student participants
- Increase membership in NWSA among undergraduate and graduate students
- Promote mentoring for undergraduates considering women's studies training in graduate and professional settings
- Offer professionalization sessions for graduate students

The NWSA Student Pre-Conference invites proposals, including, but not limited to, the following topics:

- The role and voice of students within NWSA
- Transitioning from undergraduate to graduate school
- Feminist activism as undergraduate vs. graduate students
- How to create a feminist campus community
- Fostering feminist sustainability
- Surviving and thriving in graduate school
- Navigating the academic job market: from job search to job offer
- Feminist organizing across racial/ethnic lines
- Careers and internship opportunities for women's and gender studies minors/majors/MAs/PhDs
- Merging scholarship with activism
- History and the current existence/activity feminist organizations by and for women of color
- Non-women studies students doing women studies work in their respective disciplines/mainstreaming women studies

Proposals from **current students** that address both undergraduate and graduate student concerns are especially encouraged. All proposals must be submitted online at www.nwsaconference.org by November 1, 2006.