

CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES



seeks papers for the forthcoming conference on the  
**Global Status of Women and Girls**  
to be held at CNU, March 3-5, 2016

This interdisciplinary conference seeks to foster inquiries into the complex and multifocal issues faced by women and girls around the world, both historically and today. We invite scholars from all academic disciplines to submit proposals addressing the political, social, economic, psychological, developmental, educational, literary, artistic, philosophical, religious, ethical and health issues of women and girls. The conference seeks not only to clarify key questions that must be asked in this vital area of public policy but to unearth the forces that created these current dilemmas. Through the interdisciplinary study of past and present, the conference will engage researchers in policy conversations benefiting the global community.

Submissions from any academic discipline – including but not limited to history, philosophy, religious studies, sociology, psychology, chemistry, environmental science, medicine, biomedical ethics, economics, political science, gender studies, communication studies and literature – are welcome. We invite professionals in both academic and nonacademic settings to submit proposals. **Topics to be covered may include, but are not limited to:**

- The Feminization of Poverty
- Wage Inequality
- Women in the Workplace
- Child Marriage
- War and Women
- Human Trafficking
- Environmental Change and the Economic Status of Women
- Religion and the Status of Women
- Girls and Education
- Sexual Assault/Rape
- Disability and Accessibility
- Relational Aggression Between Girls and Women
- Mental Health and Women
- Artistic, Mediated and Literary Representations/Performances
- Social Media and Social Change for Women and Girls
- Gender Identity and Socialization
- Social Policy and the State of Women and Girls
- Environmental Health Risks to Women
- Effects of Global Climate Change on Women

Please submit a 350 to 500-word abstract on this topic by November 1 at [globalstatusofwomen-conf.org](http://globalstatusofwomen-conf.org). All submissions will be peer reviewed, and those accepted will be notified no later than January 1, 2016. Finished papers will ideally be 15-20 minutes in length. Please contact Lori Underwood, Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, at [ahconf@cnu.edu](mailto:ahconf@cnu.edu) with any questions about the conference.