

## *CALL FOR PROPOSALS*

# **TENSIONS of POSSIBILITY**

## **39th ANNUAL GENDER STUDIES SYMPOSIUM**

### **LEWIS & CLARK COLLEGE**

**March 11-13, 2020**

You are invited to submit proposals for presentation at the 39th Annual Lewis & Clark College Gender Studies Symposium, March 11-13, 2020.

This interdisciplinary symposium is designed to bring together people from academia, activism, and the arts to examine concepts of possibility and innovation in relation to gender and sexuality.

We are accepting proposals for individual academic papers (each lasting 15-20 minutes), full panels, hands-on workshops, roundtable discussions, readings, and artistic productions. Please see our explanations of the different presentation formats. We are particularly interested in interactive sessions.

All presentations examining issues of gender and sexuality will be considered, but we especially welcome those focusing on questions of gender, sexuality, innovation, and possibility. To generate some thinking, we offer the following list of possible topics for exploration, but we stress that presentations do not need to address these areas of inquiry:

- technology and artificial intelligence
- change and transformation
- medicine
- modernization, progress, and future
- intimacy
- art movements
- failure and success
- selfhood and the body
- social media and virtual platforms
- community and social ties

For more information about this year's theme, please visit our overview page.

A call for visual art will be posted to the symposium website in January. We are not currently accepting visual art submissions.

Proposals must be received by **Friday, November 8, 2019**, at 5 pm.

Proposals should consist of a single PDF or Word file containing the following:

- presenter's name, email address, and institutional affiliation (if relevant)
- title of presentation
- format of presentation (Please consult our glossary for definitions of different types of presentations. If you are proposing something other than an individual paper to be combined with others to form a complete panel, please indicate the preferred duration of your session. We will plan for 15-20 minutes for each presentation on a panel.)
- brief biographical information of presenter(s) or one-page CV (Please do not send a full CV.)
- proposal (< 800 words)
- brief bibliography or list of sources (as relevant)
- anticipated AV needs and any other logistical or technical requirements

If you are a student, please indicate if your presentation will be drawn from work in a course or internship, is part of a thesis, or is based on independent research.

If submitting a full panel, please include the above information for all presenters on the panel.

Send proposals to:

Gender Studies Symposium Planning Committee  
**[gendsymp@lclark.edu](mailto:gendsymp@lclark.edu)**

The planning committee will confirm receipt of proposals. If you do not hear from the committee by Sunday, November 10, 2019, then you should assume that we did not receive your proposal.

Announcement of accepted proposals will be made by email in December. The full program schedule will be posted to the symposium website by mid-January.

Please direct questions to Kimberly Brodtkin, symposium faculty director: [kbrodtkin@lclark.edu](mailto:kbrodtkin@lclark.edu).