

17th Annual Black Issues Conference 2016

Save the Date!
Saturday, February 27, 2016

Call for Proposals: Black Issues Conference

The organizers of the 17th Annual Black Issues Conference invite proposals for presentations. The committee invites a broad array of proposals related to Black issues, and especially encourages presentations and creative works on contemporary African American politics, #blacklivesmatter, race in higher education (diversity in STEM fields, campus climate), gender and intersectionality, and the representation of Black culture.

We encourage students to propose to present works in progress and research proposals. The committee also encourages proposals in nontraditional formats.

Presentations can include research studies, creative works, short workshops, and posters, but are not limited to these formats. Individuals may propose to present individually or in a group. Below are suggested formats:

- Individual presentations (e.g. research presentations) will last 10-12 minutes and will be followed by audience interaction and discussion.
- Group/panel presentations will include 2-5 presenters discussing a single topic or related topics. Each individual presentation will be 5-10 minutes long and will be followed by audience interaction and discussion.

- Performance creative works (e.g., spoken word, dance, vocal performance, short theater) may last up to 15-20 minutes. Performances will be followed by audience interaction and discussion.
- Visual creative works (e.g., painting, ceramics, photography) will be displayed during the conference.
- Poster presentations will be displayed during the conference, and there will be a designated time for students to answer questions about their topics.

Please submit an abstract (not to exceed one page, single-spaced) along with a cover sheet that lists:

- Your name
- Your university/institution/organization
- Your role at university/organization (student, faculty, organizer)
- Your email address
- Your phone number
- The title of your presentation
- Name of your faculty advisor (if applicable).

If submitting a proposal for a panel, please include this information for all presenters and the panel title.

Abstracts and cover sheet are due on
January 22, 2016

Please send your completed abstract form to
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