An Introduction to CSW



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Welcome to the UCLA Center for the Study of Women!

the study of women, gender, and sexuality
from an intersectional perspective.

Our mission is to work towards a world in which education and scholarship are tools for social justice feminism, improving the lives of people of all genders.

We serve this mission in five main ways:

Research

projects that center social justice feminist scholarship

Events

programming that is usually free and open to the public

Publications

blogs, policy briefs, working papers, and more

Education

opportunities for students to participate in research projects

Funding

for graduate students, undergraduates, and faculty

You can find us at 1500 Public Affairs. The main entrance is located on the south side of the Public Affairs building, facing the north side of LuValle Commons (Jimmy's Coffeehouse).

You can always reach us online at csw@csw.ucla.edu.

Here's to a safe, healthy, and feminist 2021-2022 academic year!



2021-2022 Funding for UCLA GRADUATE STUDENTS

Black Feminism Initiative Graduate Fellowships*

- For research that centers Black feminist frameworks of analysis
- Two \$1000 awards

Constance Coiner Graduate Fellowship

- For PhD research on working-class and feminist issues and excellence in teaching
- \$1500

Elizabeth Blackwell, MD, Graduate Award

- For research on women and health and/or science
- * \$1000

Penny Kanner Dissertation Research Fellowship

- For PhD research on women or gender using historical methods
- Two \$4000 awards

Paula Stone Legal Research Fellowship

- For research on women and law/justice system
- \$3000

Jean Stone Dissertation Research Fellowship

- For PhD research on women and/or gender
- Two \$4000 awards

Deadline for all Award and Fellowship Applications: March 31, 2022*

WavelGrants

*Applications for the Black Feminism Initiative Graduate Fellowships are due **November 15, 2021**

 Covers travel expenses for research on women, gender, and sexuality and academic or professional conference presentations (including fees for virtual conferences)

Up to \$500

Travel Grant Deadlines:

Fall: November 15, 2021

Spring: March 31, 2022

For more information and to apply, visit:

www.csw.ucla.edu



Black Feminism Initiative Graduate Fellowships

The UCLA Center for the Study of Women's **Black Feminism Initiative (BFI)** has established two fellowships to support intellectual work that centers Black feminist frameworks of analysis. In the tradition of abolitionist feminist activism and labor, the BFI Graduate Fellowships seek to advance Black feminist work on any topic with a focus on scholarship that interrogates historical and ongoing regimes of violence, enclosure, and captivity and offers original insights for conceiving of freedom, redress, abolition, and refusal.

The **Alisa Bierria Graduate Fellowship in Black Feminist Research** honors and continues the work of Alisa Bierria. With organizations such as Communities Against Rape and Abuse (CARA), The Free Marissa Now Mobilization Campaign, and Incite! Women of Color Against Violence, Bierria has meaningfully challenged sexual violence and the carceral state. Her activism has been instrumental in securing the freedom of criminalized survivors of gender violence.

The Mariame Kaba Graduate Fellowship in Black Feminist Research honors and continues the work of Mariame Kaba. She has been at the helm of numerous grassroots organizations that have educated the public, mobilized against racial terror, and challenged gender violence: Project Nia, the Chicago Freedom School, the Chicago Alliance to Free Marissa Alexander, Incite!

Women of Color Against Violence, and We Charge Genocide, to name a few.

Amount

Both fellowships offer \$1000 each

Criteria

- Applicant must be a currently registered PhD or Master's student at UCLA during the quarters when the application is due and when award payment is made
- Fellowship can be used for research travel, conference presentations, or the acquisition of materials critical for an advanced research project such as a thesis or dissertation
- Scholarly research that includes an artistic or organizing dimension is also encouraged
- Awardee will be honored at the CSW Awards Celebration at UCLA in May/June 2022. Attendance is highly encouraged.

Deadline

Monday, November 15, 2021

To Apply

- 1. Curriculum Vitae
- 2. List of three references that includes names, affiliations, and email addresses
- 3. A maximum 3-4 page (single-spaced)
 Statement that includes:
 - a description of your academic background (coursework, degree focus, past creative, activist, or research projects)
 - a description of your research project that explains the work's methods, arguments and/or guiding questions, and conveys how the project engages with and advances Black feminist thought/politics
 - a bibliography of 5-10 key texts that shape the project
 - a brief, one paragraph budget that itemizes anticipated project expenditures

For more information and to apply, visit: csw.ucla.edu/BFI-fellowships

CONFRONTING THE CARCERAL STATE: REIMAGINING JUSTICE

CSW's 2019-2020 Policy Briefs, *Confronting the Carceral State: Reimagining Justice* is available for download online. The call for submissions was developed by CSW Director Grace Hong and CSW Black Feminism Initiative Director Sarah Haley.

Read the 2019-2020 Policy Briefs at:

csw.ucla.edu/publications/policy-briefs/

IN THIS ISSUE:

"Release Elderly Lifers to Reduce Mass Incarceration" by Jane Dorotik

"Long-Term Incarcerated People Need Retirement Benefits" by Romarilyn Ralston

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by Rosie Stockton

"Stop 'Crimmigration!' Stop Southeast Asian Refugee Deportations!" by June Kuoch

"Incarceration and Mental Wellness are Incommensurable – A Call to Decarcerate" by Boké Saisi





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THE UCLA CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WOMEN PRESENTS

ADDRESSING SEXUAL VIOLENCE, ACHIEVING JUSTICE: SHELTER, INTERSECTIONALITY, AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

The UCLA Center for the Study of Women recently published its 2018-2019 Policy Briefs, *Addressing Sexual Violence, Achieving Justice:*Shelter, Intersectionality, and Sexual Harassment Policy. The call for graduate student submissions was developed with Grace Hong and Jessica Cattelino of CSW's Sexual Violence Faculty Working Group.

You can read this year's Policy Briefs online at:

https://csw.ucla.edu/publications/policy-briefs/

IN THIS ISSUE:

Addressing the Epidemic of Sexual Assault in California's Immigrant Detention Centers by Cristina Hunter O'Leary

Immigrant Farmworkers in California Need
Greater Protections Against Sexual Harassment
by Elise Wallis

Restorative Justice for Curbing Campus Sexual Violence

by Domale Dube Keys

Visit CSW.UCLA.EDU to learn more about our Sexual Violence Working Group and for more information on our Policy Brief awards.



THE UCLA CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WOMEN PRESENTS

GENDER AND EVERYDAY WATER USE IN LOS ANGELES WORKING PAPER SERIES

This working paper series presents preliminary results from the **Gender and Everyday Water Use in Los Angeles Study**. Conducted by researchers at the UCLA

Center for the Study of Women with the support of a Sustainable LA Grand Challenge

Grant, this project investigates the important but understudied role of gender—as it

intersects with race and class—in residential water use in Los Angeles.

THIS WORKING PAPER SERIES INCLUDES:

Myths of Fifty-Fifty: Household Water Use & Gendered Divisions of Labor in Los Angeles

by Megan Baker

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Conservation, Division of Labor, and the Low-Hanging Fruit of Chores: Tracking Los Angeles Household Water Usage Through Diary Keeping by Kelsey Kim

Gender and Intergenerational Knowledge in Los Angeles Immigrant Households by PwintPhyu Nandar

Portrait of a City at the End of the World: Los Angeles's Discourses of Disaster by Dalila Ozier

DOWNLOAD ALL 5 PAPERS FROM ESCHOLARSHIP:

https://escholarship.org/uc/ucla_genderandwater

Visit CSW.UCLA.EDU to learn more about the Gender and Everyday Water Use in Los Angeles Study and CSW's other groundbreaking research streams.



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We offer student research and job opportunities



ALSO AT CSW

Established in 2019 with support from the Social Sciences Division, the Black Feminism Initiative (BFI) honors and encourages Black feminist thought and visions for political transformation.











