

U.S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island

Call for Papers on Women, Peace, and Security

The Naval War College welcomes paper proposals for its 10th annual Women, Peace, and Security Conference (May 2-3, 2024) in Newport, Rhode Island. The event brings together U.S. and international scholars and experts, civilian and military practitioners and leaders to better understand our complex and dynamic security environment. It examines women's full and equal participation, decision-making, and leadership, alongside men, in promoting lasting peace and security. Select papers will be considered for publication in a book related to the Symposium theme "**Advancing Gendered Security in a Complex World: Hard Power, Smart Power, Soft Power.**"

Symposium objectives are aligned with: (i) the United Nations Security Council's landmark resolution 1325 (2000) on Women, Peace, and Security, (ii) the U.S. WPS Act (2017), and (iii) the U.S. Department of Defense WPS Strategic Framework and Implementation Plan (2020). The event will present current and historical case studies from any world region demonstrating that gender-inclusive peace and security efforts lead to enduring and innovative outcomes.

Topics, submission deadlines, and format details are given below:

Conflict-Related Sexual Violence (CRSV)

- Rape as a strategic weapon of war
- Ethnic cleansing campaigns
- War crimes and genocide prevention
- Sexual slavery
- Forced Pregnancy, sterilization, and other forms of wartime sexual harm
- Non-state actors

Gender Dimensions in State Fragility and Instability:

Case Studies: Afghanistan, Central African Republic, China, Colombia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Israel-Palestine, Kashmir (India-Pakistan), Lebanon, Libya, Myanmar, Nagorno-Karabakh, Nepal, Nigeria, North Korea, Russia, South Sudan, Sudan, Syria, The Sahel, Ukraine, Venezuela, Yemen, etc.

Gender Perspectives in Maritime Security

- Climate crisis and severe weather events
- Coastal management and Blue Economies
- Gender Advisors in Maritime Operations
- Gender perspectives in maritime security strategies
- Gender-inclusive humanitarian disaster planning and response
- Human trafficking and Irregular Migration
- Illegal Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing and Forced Labor at Sea
- Marine pollution
- Maritime and Port Security
- Maritime Stability Operations
- Maritime Terrorism and Piracy
- Women in the Maritime Industry
- Women in the Coast Guard
- Women in the Navy
- Women in the Marine Corps

Gender Inclusion in Peace and Security Roles

- Civil-Military cooperation
- Feminist foreign policies
- Democratic transitions and institution-building
- Great Power Competition
- Justice and law enforcement
- Negotiation and diplomacy
- Peace processes
- U.S. Combatant Commands: Best practices
- Warrior women in history
- Women in defense

Mainstreaming Gender in Security Sector Institutions

- Male Allyship
- Gender Analysis frameworks
- Recruitment, retention, and promotion policies
- WPS National Action Plan Development and Implementation

Proposals (abstract and bio)

- Submission deadline: Dec 05, 2023
- Abstract: Title and main argument
- Length: 500 words maximum
- Bio sketch: 100 -150 words
- Email: Dr. Saira Yamin at saira.yamin@usnwc.edu. WPS Chair, Naval War College.
- Email subject line should state WPS Call for Papers: Last Name
- Acceptance notification by Dec 10, 2023

First Draft

- Submission deadline: Feb 10, 2024
- Length: 2,000 to 2,500 words
- Selection: Subject to review of the first draft
- Email: Dr. Saira Yamin at saira.yamin@usnwc.edu. WPS Chair, Naval War College.
- Acceptance notification by Feb 16, 2024

Completed Paper (for publication)

- Submission deadline: July 15, 2024
- Length: 2,500 to 4,000 words
- Selection: Subject to peer review
- Email: Dr. Saira Yamin at saira.yamin@usnwc.edu. WPS Chair, Naval War College.

Format

- Chicago Manual of Style: Times New Roman, 12 point, 1” margins, double spaced, 1/2” paragraph indentation, endnotes only.

Previous Naval War College WPS Conference proceedings are accessible here:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLam-yp5uUR1bKI9yFdUz_FGoSb5HvJa70