

Social Work and Sexualities Conference 2018 Montreal – Call for Papers

Call for Papers

Topic: Sexualities, genders and intersectionalities: expanding contemporary social work issues

Date: 8-10 August 2018

Venue: University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada

Submissions: by 31 January 2018

(Submissions open by 1 November 2017)

(Confirmation of papers accepted will be available by 1 February 2018)

We invite papers on the theme of sexualities, genders and intersectionalities in social work within the following sub-themes exploring related communities and groups, associated issues and politics/service provision:

- Geographical/regional cultural implications for sexualities
- LGBT+ issues
- Theoretical implications of queer and post-queer theory
- Sexual politics and political activism
- Indigenous sexualities
- Issues related to sex work
- Issues connected to living with HIV/AIDS
- Intimacies
- How sexualities and genders affect access to social services

This three-day conference will feature keynote presentations from Professor Gerald P. Mallon (National Center for Child Welfare Excellence, Hunter College, New York, USA); Professor Nengeh Mensah (Social Work, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada); Gina Metallic (Mi'kmaq Social Worker and Community Organizer, from the Listuguj First Nation); and Dr Damien Riggs (Associate Professor, University of Adelaide). The main conference theme highlights the ways in which a plurality of sexualities, genders and various intersectionalities converge to shape contemporary society. This conference thus aims to explore how these complexities inform social work practice, research and education for not only academics but also practitioners and service users.



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The conference will take place from the 8th to the 10th August 2018 at the University of Montreal.

We especially welcome proposals that utilise practitioner and/or service user perspectives, those that are empirically based and those that involve new and emerging topics. We are keen to facilitate the exchange of ideas between diverse stakeholders.

Paper proposals are for presentations that will focus on a research topic, or report on the development of a new intervention or policy. Papers will be presented for 20 minutes (inclusive of questions) in a themed session of related papers.

Roundtables/workshops/symposia are for either 45 or 90 minutes (approximately). A longer session of a group of related papers (symposia) or a workshop on a topic. Roundtables are to bring together various stakeholders to discuss and exchange ideas related to a particular theme/topic.

Posters provide an interactive forum in which authors can present work to conference attendees during the conference. Accepted posters will be displayed on large boards (approximately 1x1.2m).

Submissions: abstracts of 350 words should be submitted by email to <u>socialworksexuality@gmail.com</u>. Depending on space, those making more than one submission (if accepted), should consider making one paper into a poster. Registration and Submission opens November 2017.

NB: please note the category when submitting your abstract.

The deadline for submissions is 31 January 2018. Confirmation of papers accepted will be available by 1st February 2018. Further information about the conference will be available in due course.

Previous conference details can be found here: www.sexualityandsocialworkconferences.org

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