2019 Annual Women’s Leadership Conference Call for Proposals

The University of Idaho and Washington State University are partnering to hold a collaborative annual Women’s Leadership Conference, building on the popular and successful conference previously held biennially by the U of I. The Office of the President of U of I and the Office of the President of WSU will co-sponsor the event in Moscow, Idaho on April 3, 2019.

The day-long conference will offer all women in higher education - students, staff, faculty, and administrators - an opportunity to celebrate our differences and create an empowered community that is more inclusive and supportive of women, as a group, irrespective of social identity, status, or institutional role.

The theme for this year's conference is Finding Your Power: Cultivating Authentic Leadership. The conference theme speaks to the importance of culture change through individual and shared empowerment, cultivating leadership through positive, open and honest relationships, and building a diverse and innovative community to create dynamic, respectful and inclusive work environments. Women are invited to unapologetically explore their authentic leadership style and engage in dialogue to learn from others’ lived experiences.

We recognize that Finding Your Power: Cultivating Authentic Leadership can be challenging, particularly for women in the workplace. With that in mind, we invite proposals for workshops/presentations focused around the concepts of:

- Individual and/or shared empowerment
- Forming open and honest relationships with colleagues
- Community building
- Finding your leadership style
- Leading through identities
- Creating inclusive work environments
- Healthy communication
- Resiliency
- Unapologetic leadership
- Imposter Syndrome

The review committee is particularly passionate about hearing from diverse voices about how they have found their power and cultivated their authentic leadership style.

Session Proposal Details

Sessions may blend presentation techniques, perhaps by encouraging networking and providing attendees with opportunities for an interactive experience. Proposals for sessions that showcase solution-driven strategies, best practices, and/or new directions or methods of collaboration are strongly encouraged. However, we will consider all submissions that speak to the issues at hand. Presenters may select either a 60 or 90-minute intensive workshop session or Pecha Kucha (short fast-paced presentation less than seven minutes in length). Please be aware based on the room you will be assigned your perspective audience can range from 25-80 people.

To submit a proposal, complete the online application by February 24, 2019 at 10pm.

- [https://uidaho.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3sef9mlU4RHGB0N](https://uidaho.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3sef9mlU4RHGB0N)

*Attendance is free, but all conference attendees (including presenters) will need to register online for the conference when registration opens.

For more information please see the conference website: [www.uidaho.edu/wlc](http://www.uidaho.edu/wlc)