RespectCon 2016 Call for Proposals

The 4th Annual “RespectCon: Understanding Sexual Violence through a Social Justice Lens” Call for Proposals is now open!

RespectCon 2016 will be held on Saturday, April 2, 2016 at the Emory Conference Center, 1615 Clifton Rd, Atlanta, GA, 30329.

Who should submit proposals?
Everyone is a stakeholder in this work to end violence. Therefore we seek a diverse group of presenters who can stimulate the audience and create an effective dialogue on violence prevention on college campuses. We want to include a range of voices and perspectives as conference presenters: Undergraduate students, professional students, graduate students, faculty members, and professional staff on college campuses or in organizations working with campuses are all encouraged to submit proposals!

RespectCon aims to end violence on college and university campuses. Established in 2012, the conference regularly draws more than a hundred attendees from across the country to Emory University in Atlanta, GA. It is the only annual meeting dedicated to addressing sexual violence on college campuses through social justice informed approaches and collaboration.

Understanding Sexual Violence through a Social Justice Lens
Our definition of “sexual violence” encompasses a broad spectrum of behaviors: proposals can address harassment, domestic/dating violence, abuse, stalking, and/or sexual assault. Proposals that include social justice approaches, intersecting forms of oppression, interdisciplinary collaborations, or cross-cultural work are preferred. Proposals on creative and innovative practices in primary prevention and survivor-centered response are encouraged.

Helpful Resources

How To Guide Proposal Template
Why attend RespectCon?

RespectCon is a space to connect with other colleagues, professionals, and students in the movement to end violence on college campuses. The conference allows you to present new programs, learn what student activists on other campuses find successful, explore the profession of campus anti-violence work, and much more. Above all, RespectCon offers a network of social justice advocates, accomplices, and collaborators from across the country that will help you create powerful change within your campus.

Other Proposal Guidelines:

- Proposals should focus on: skill development, applications of theory-to-practice, sharing of literature reviews or expertise, lessons learned, exploring various perspectives on a particular topic, or data-driven approaches.
- While we have a preference for interactive sessions, lecture-only proposals are welcome but should define a clear and convincing reason for lacking of any interactive element. RespectCon may reserve the right of conditional acceptance of lecture-only proposal—that is, asking the organizers to develop an interactive element in case the justification for its absence thereof is not sufficient.
- Proposals must be designed for a 70-minute session.
- Proposals are due **Monday, January 11, 2016**.
- Proposals must be submitted using this link: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/respectcon2016](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/respectcon2016) (please be aware you must complete it in a single sitting and cannot save progress; we recommend using this template to draft your submission)
- Presenters are encouraged to submit multiple proposals.
- Presenters will be notified of acceptance status via email by Friday, January 15, 2016.
- All presenters must register for the conference.

If you have any additional questions or are interested in other conference involvement opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact Team RespectCon at respect@emory.edu or 404-727-6842.