

# Call for Papers

**Engendering Change:  
The Second Annual Chicago Area Graduate Gender/Sexualities Conference**  
April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
University of Chicago

Northwestern University, the University of Illinois-Chicago, and the University of Chicago are proud to announce the second annual **Engendering Change** graduate student gender conference. The conference will take place at the University of Chicago on April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The conference is free and open to the public.

*SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:* The conference starts on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. However, all participants are invited to attend a free, public lecture on the afternoon of Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> by Gayle Rubin (University of Michigan). Friday and Saturday will be a mixture of faculty-moderated graduate scholarship panels, and topical panel discussions/workshops.

*PANELS:* This year, we have two exciting panels. The first will revolve around the Wal-Mart sex discrimination case. This panel will feature Chicago area professors, such as Laura Beth Nielsen (Northwestern), and graduate students who worked on the amicus curiae brief for the American Sociological Association (ASA). A central theme of this panel will be how gender inequality research can impact the law. A second panel will be an interactive workshop on the pleasures and dangers of teaching gender and sexualities. This panel will be led by Lauren Berlant (University of Chicago) and Kristen Schilt (University of Chicago).

*SUBMISSIONS:* The conference is open to graduate students and postdoctoral scholars in any field who are working on research related to the study of gender/genders and sexualities broadly defined. The deadline for submission is 5pm (CST) on February 15, 2012.

To submit, please send an abstract of no more than 300 words, title, and email address to: Katie Hendricks at [kahen@uchicago.edu](mailto:kahen@uchicago.edu)

**\*\* PLEASE PUT "ENGENDERING CHANGE" IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF THE EMAIL \*\***

All presenters will be notified by March 15, 2012. We will strive to find hosts for out of town presenters. Direct any questions to: Katie Hendricks at [kahen@uchicago.edu](mailto:kahen@uchicago.edu)