

SEWSA MISSION

The Southeastern Women's Studies Association (SEWSA) is a feminist organization that actively supports and promotes all aspects of women's studies at every level of involvement. The organization is committed to scholarship on and activism eliminating oppression and discrimination on the basis of sex, gender identity and expression, race, age, religion, sexual orientation, ethnic background, physical ability, and class.

SEWSA is a regional organization under the National Women's Studies Association serving Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

CONFERENCE GUIDELINES

In order to facilitate dialogue and audience participation and interaction, please adhere to the following guidelines:

Panel and Roundtable timeslots are 75 minutes each. Moderator introductions and participant presentations should take one hour, leaving 15 minutes for Q and A at the end of the panel. Therefore, presenters on panels with *three* papers should plan on taking about **15 minutes each** to present their findings and/or commentary. Presenters on panels with *four* papers plan on taking about **12 minutes each**. Roundtables should adjust their presentation times similarly according to the number of roundtable participants. The professional courtesy and respect you show to your fellow presenters and members of the audience by doing so is greatly appreciated by all. Please note that the panel moderators have been asked to be very strict in enforcing time limits to allow for audience Q and A and discussion at the end.

Presenters should provide a summary, highlighting the basic points of the paper (such as the research question, research strategy, major findings and conclusions). All presentation rooms are SMART classrooms, including computers, projectors, and Wi-Fi. If you plan to use the projectors, please bring your presentations on a flashdrive and arrive to your panel room a few minutes early. There are 15 minutes between each panel session. Handouts and visual displays are always appreciated by members of the audience (especially at roundtable discussions).

MODERATORS are really simply timekeepers: they introduce the panel and panelists, and make sure people present within the 12-15 timeframe for panels of 4 so there is time for Q&A at the end. And, if there is a silence at the Q&A portion, moderators might try to start a conversation by asking the panelists a question or raising a thoughtful question to connect the papers to each other or the audience to the presenters. should be polite, yet strict, in enforcing these guidelines. During the panel, notify the presenter or discussant when no more than two minutes of his/her formal time remains. They should then make certain that the presenter or discussant concludes his/her comments within the prescribed limits.