



# Department of Women's Studies University of Maryland College Park

## Undergraduate Awards to Participate in the National Women's Studies Association Conference November 2016

The Department of Women's Studies will support the participation of 2 undergraduate students in the 2016 National Women's Studies Association Conference in Montreal, Quebec, November 10-13. The conference will attract women/gender/sexuality studies scholars and students from across the country presenting workshops and panels on a wide range of issues addressing the conference theme, "Decoloniality" which "questions dominant ideas about power; disrupts colonial settler notions of place, land, property, and personhood; and troubles normative ideas about embodiment, identity, subjectivity, and agency."

**The award will cover transportation, hotel, conference registration, and food.**

Who is eligible to apply: any University of Maryland College Park undergraduate student in good standing who has completed 12 credits of WMST and/or LGBT courses.

To apply, students should note whether they can attend the full conference or which days of the conference and submit:

resume

list of LGBT and WMST courses completed

name and email address of one faculty recommender

250-500 word statement of why you would like to attend the NWSA conference

Applications should be emailed to Dr. Elsa Barkley Brown – [barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu) — no later than 4:00 p.m. Tuesday September 20.

Successful applicants will be informed by September 30.

To learn more about the National Women's Studies Association and see the program for this year's conference, visit <http://www.nwsa.org/> This video about the NWSA conference features several UMD women's studies scholars (Dr. Mel Lewis, WMST PhD 2012; Maariya Bassa, WMST B.A. 2012; Dr. Michelle Rowley, WMST Core Faculty):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K17Jrn0oRT0>

For questions about the award, please contact Dr. Elsa Barkley Brown, Director of Undergraduate Studies.