

# Division of Social Work Inaugural Symposium

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## Call for Abstracts

### **The Next Hundred Years in Social Work at the University of Memphis: Social Work and Engaged Scholarship for the Future.**

October 25 & 26, 2012

The University of Memphis has forged a reputation for excellence in scholarship and service in the past 100 years. The Division of Social Work in the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy is proud of being part for that tradition. Engaged scholarship that serves the community is one of the core values of the Division of Social Work, and our goal is to highlight engaged scholarship in the social work community and to provide an opportunity for sharing knowledge while showcasing the Social Work Program and its role in the community.

The Planning Committee invites social work students (BA, MSW, and PhD), practitioners (BSW, LBSW, MSW, LMSW, LCSW), and scholars to submit abstracts for presentation during the Symposium. We invite presentations that highlight the ways in which social work research and/or practice engage the community to improve the social and economic conditions of the populations we serve. Abstracts should describe community projects or ways in which social workers have acted as involved change agents in the Midsouth or on larger levels.

#### **Submission Guidelines:**

The abstract should include a statement on the na-

ture of the project or research issue, description of methods or processes, conceptual framework, results, and implications for social work practice, research, or policy. The abstracts should fall within one of the following tracks:

- Ethical Issues for the Next Century
- Poverty and Social Inequality: Solutions
- Aging Issues and Social Work
- Mental Health Issues of the Next Century
- Community Health Issues for the Next Century
- Child Welfare Challenges for the Next Century
- Immigration
- Disability Issues
- Disproportionate minority confinement
- Promoting the health of minority populations
- Academic outcomes among minority students
- Workforce development & careers in transition
- Self-care in Social Work

Abstracts with titles must contain no more than 350 words. Submissions must include a CV or resume for each author. Please submit your abstract in MSWord.

**Deadline for submission is March 15, 2012.** Authors will be notified of accepted abstracts by May 15, 2012. The authors of selected abstracts will be invited to present their research at the Symposium as a presentation of 90 minutes (with 30 minutes for questions) in duration.

To submit an abstract, please contact Dr. Elena Delavega at [mdlavega@memphis.edu](mailto:mdlavega@memphis.edu)