



Call for Book Chapters

Advancing Women in Leadership: Shaping Pathways in the Political Arena

*This will be the eighth and final volume in the
Women and Leadership Book Series*

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BOOK SERIES OVERVIEW

Women and Leadership: Research, Theory, and Practice is an eight-volume series intended to inform leadership scholars and practitioners. This publishing project represents a synergistic initiative among the International Leadership Association (ILA), Information Age Publishing (IAP), and leadership scholars Drs. Susan R. Madsen, Karen A. Longman, and Faith Wambura Ngunjiri; the series emerged from the expanding work of ILA's Women and Leadership Affinity Group.

The series is cross-disciplinary and represents organizational/institutional, national, and international perspectives. Each volume focuses on a specific theme, with chapters related to relevant research, theory, and practice. Across the series, the goal is to enhance knowledge and application about the leadership experiences and leadership development of women in different sectors, geographic regions, and personal/professional contexts.

The intended audiences for volumes include: (1) leadership scholars, researchers, educators, and leadership development practitioners; and (2) future, emerging, and current leaders in various sectors. Volume editors and chapter authors are committed to speaking clearly and confidently about the theory, research, and best practices in a voice that is understood by readers across a variety of settings. Chapters must be grounded in and consistent with the most rigorous and latest research.

VOLUME DESCRIPTION

This volume is intended to bring together theory, research, and practical lessons for scholars, practitioners, and current and emerging leaders in the realm of political leadership. Whether local, municipality, state, province, national or international level, the volume will explore current research findings, development practices, pedagogy, and the lived experience to deliver provocative thinking that enhances leadership knowledge and improves leadership development of women around the world. Volume sections will include individual, board, organization, or the social and global environment, the areas that often play an important role in the development of political leaders.

Overall, too many women in politics hit a “glass ceiling”—financial, social, racial, or gender-based. What does a woman’s developmental path look like for political leadership roles in a long-term capacity? How do women access the mentors, funding, and inside knowledge that ensure political success at local, state, national, and international levels?

Chapter authors could explore these questions, among others:

1. What lessons can women with political aspirations learn from successful women politicians?
2. What are the main barriers faced by women who have political aspirations?
3. What mechanisms should be in place to assist women toward successful attainment of political leadership roles?
4. What types of supports and networking opportunities are needed? How can these be provided?
5. What other relevant questions does existing research on women and American politics answer or fail to answer?

Chapters in this volume may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The importance of increasing the number of women in political office
- Living the public life
- Skills (media, negotiation, communication, etc.)
- Program development
- Women and power
- Leading authentically without compromising ethics
- Work-life balance
- Transformational aspects of political leadership
- Technology and social media in politics

If you have ideas about other relevant topics, please contact Dr. Dionne Rosser-Mims at drosser-mims@troy.edu.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Chapter authors for *Advancing Women in Leadership: Shaping Pathways in the Political Arena* will be chosen based on an initial proposal (described below) to be submitted electronically to the volume editors (drosser-mims@troy.edu) by December 1, 2016. Proposals must conform to APA 6th edition and MS Word-formatting.

Chapter proposals, due December 1, 2016, should include:

- Proposed chapter title
- Section of the book (individual, board, organization, or social and global environment) the chapter is to be considered for
- Author(s) name, title, full contact information, and institutional affiliation (if any) and identification of the corresponding author
- Detailed description of the chapter (500-700 words) including purpose, content, key features, and practical implications
- List of anticipated key references
- Short description of how the chapter will contribute to the section and the volume
- Short biography (50-100 words) of contributing authors.

Chapter approvals will be communicated to the author by January 2, 2017.

Once a chapter proposal has been accepted, the completed manuscript should be approximately 25-30 pages (6,000-8,000 words), including figures, tables, and references. Manuscripts should be submitted electronically to the volume editors at drosser-mims@troy.edu no later than August 15, 2017.

Summary of Important Dates:

- December 1, 2016 Chapter Proposal Deadline
- January 2, 2017 Chapter Proposal Acceptance Notifications
- August 15, 2017 Full Manuscript Submission