

2023 WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP IN CONSERVATION ONLINE SEMINAR - ENGLISH

September 2 - December 2, 2023

This seminar, offered in English, is an intensive 13-week, capacity sharing program consisting of 3 required modules (+ 1 optional module) that brings together women conservation practitioners from around the world. It is geared for people who are working to make a positive impact on biodiversity conservation, forest management, protected area management, climate change and sustainable development in their communities and globally.

The seminar is offered by Colorado State University's Center for Protected Area Management in collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service International Programs. The seminar provides practical professional tools for women in conservation to further develop their leadership skills to influence positive change and improve gender equity in a variety of conservation fields, all while continuing to advance their own careers. In addition, participants will acquire tools to enhance their ability to lead effective teams and institutions, as well as to achieve conservation results.

Seminar Dates:

September 2 - December 2, 2023

Application deadline:

August 4, 2023





Design and methodology:

This webinar provides a review of conceptual frameworks of gender in conservation, leadership, gender equality in organizations, and practical tools for incorporating a gender perspective into conservation projects. The asynchronous online sessions will provide participants with the opportunity to analyze case studies and explore conceptual frameworks by viewing instructor videos and reviewing presentations and interviews from specialists. Participants will acquire practical tools that can be downloaded for use in their work. Participants will also have the opportunity to dialogue and exchange experiences with seminar faculty and peers during the live sessions of each module.

Module topics:

(Modules 1 & 2 required – participants will have the option to select whether they complete 3 and/or 4)

- Introduction to Gender Equality in Conservation: As the basis of the seminar, this module examines gender as a social construct and provides an overview of gender and environment frameworks.
- Exploring Leadership: This module establishes a
 foundational understanding of leadership frameworks
 while diving into the complexities of how gender biases
 affect women leaders.

Choose 1 of the following or complete both, time permitting:

- Gender Equality and Leadership in Environmental Institutions: This module explores tools and strategies for promoting a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion at the institutional level.
- 4. **Gender Mainstreaming in Conservation Projects:** This module provides strategies for promoting gender equity in conservation projects.

Seminar Dates and Schedule:

The 13-week seminar begins September 2 and ends December 2, 2023. It will be taught asynchronously, and participants will be required to complete one module every three weeks, completing at least 3 of the 4 modules during the 13-week program. We start with modules 1 and 2 and in the last month of the program participants will choose between module 3 and 4 to complete the program. It is estimated that each module will require approximately twenty hours of time to complete, or 7 hours per week. At the end of each module, there will be a 90 minute live virtual session to bring the group and instructors together.

Seminar fee:

The price of the seminar is \$1,500 USD. This price includes tuition, access to all content, 4-5 live virtual sessions, access to communication with the seminar instructors and a digital certificate of completion upon meeting the seminar requirements.





