

Five College Women's Studies Research Center Spring 2025 Research Collaboratory: Call for Applications

Location: Hampshire College

Priority deadline: November 24, 2024

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The Five College Women's Studies Research Center (FCWSRC) is seeking two Five College undergraduates to join our Research Collaboratory for the Spring 2025 semester. During the academic year, the Research Collaboratory provides students with experience in multiple areas of research and project development. In Spring 2025, students will cycle between working on the ongoing Center project "Mapping Transnational Flows of Feminist Knowledge," processing archival materials, and providing research assistance to FCWSRC Research Associates as needed. Collaborators may also contribute to FCWSRC event promotion and organization projects. Applicants must have strong organizational and communication skills, be capable of working both independently and collaboratively, and have experience and/or demonstrated interest in feminist scholarship. Experience with archival research and familiarity with transnational feminisms would be assets. Collaboratory students may earn academic credit for the work as an independent study, experiential learning placement or, for Hampshire College students, CEL-2 credit.

About the Five College Women's Studies Research Center

Founded in 1991, the Five College Women's Studies Research Center is a vibrant site of local, national, and international engaged, critical feminist scholarship, cultural production, and activism from diverse perspectives. The Center has a rich history of supporting transnational work, with a recognition of the diverse pathways and plurality of forms that feminist creative and academic scholarship can take. The Center provides space, community, and opportunities for Five College feminist scholars and hosts visiting scholars from around the world through the long-standing Research Associate Program. Located on the campus of Hampshire College, the Center is supported by the Five College Consortium, which includes Hampshire College as well as Amherst College, Mount Holyoke College, Smith College, and the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Since 1966, the five institutions have been noted for their cooperation and innovation in higher education and boast one of the largest concentrations of women's and gender studies scholars anywhere in the world.

Mapping Transnational Flows of Feminist Knowledge Project

What is the practice of feminist knowledge-making, and what is its scope? How have the people who have traveled through the Center embodied roles as knowledge-makers, contributors, and interlocutors? What enables, complicates, or forecloses mobility for feminist scholars, activists, and artists, and for feminist knowledge production? What are the (after)lives and cumulative shape of knowledge-flows, as they arrive, pass through, return, and move far beyond the Center?

These are a few of the larger questions at hand for the ongoing project "Mapping Transnational Flows of Feminist Knowledge." This project seeks to map the now 30-plus-year history of the FCWSRC, engaging with the work of Five College community members and scholars, activists,

and artists who have interacted with the Center and/or participated in the Research Associate Program. Through a combination of archival research, digital records research and maintenance, and responsive methods for community/history building, Collaborators will conduct research on the transnational movement and interaction of ideas, projects, and people throughout the history of the Center.

Eligibility

Students across the Five Colleges are welcome to apply to the Research Collaboratory. Students commit to working 5 to 10 hours per week. This is not a paid position. Students may earn academic credit for the work as an independent study, experiential learning placement or, for Hampshire College students, as CEL-2 credit.

How to Apply

Please complete [the application form](#), which asks for a one-page cover letter and resume. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until filled. For priority consideration, please submit application materials by **November 24, 2024**.