

*“The education and empowerment of women throughout the world cannot fail to result in a more caring, tolerant, just and peaceful life for all.”*

– AUNG SAN SUU KYI  
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate



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# WORLDWIDE NETWORK FOR GENDER EMPOWERMENT

LEADING CHANGE IN GENDER EQUITY AND EMPOWERMENT



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The **WORLDWIDE NETWORK FOR GENDER EMPOWERMENT (WNGE)** was founded in 2003 and is aligned with Fielding Graduate University's mission to facilitate positive change throughout the world. **WNGE** is an engaged and diverse ecosystem comprised of global members committed to research, collaboration, and action in support of women's and gender issues. **WNGE** is focused on impacting change with cross-cutting measures in education, health care, poverty, environment, violence prevention, equality, and globalization.

**WNGE** connects local, regional, and national initiatives to a global community through innovative ecosystems, collaborative networks, and scholar activism.

### FIVE GOALS

- Create a resilient, visible, and connected global network
- Support effectiveness and collaboration to accelerate and sustain action
- Democratize funding and target investments based on impact metrics
- Nurture, direct, and harness scholar activism to impact engagement
- Synthesize and structure information to build global awareness, impact policy, and guide research



### WNGE PROJECTS

Over the past decade **WNGE** has supported partner projects such as Mama na Dada in Kenya and girl-child empowerment in Suriname. **WNGE** has also originated projects such as nursing care in Saudi Arabia and educational leadership for change in Ethiopia. The **WNGE** global platform provides opportunities for organizations and individuals to connect and collaborate, share and access resources, and build global awareness around gender empowerment issues.

### WNGE PARTNERSHIPS



**WNGE** is a recognized and registered non-governmental organization (NGO) with the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI). We are actively engaged with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), and the functional commissions of ECOSOC, primarily the Commission on the Status of Women. **WNGE** welcomes affiliations with select organizations focused on gender empowerment issues providing both domestic and international organizations opportunities such as: an accredited 501(c)(3) nonprofit academic partner to help secure funding; international representation at the United Nations; and/or an educational platform to generate awareness via our affiliation with iTunes University.

### WNGE RESEARCH

**WNGE** provides access to gender-based research and provides research services to organizations requiring evidence-based methods. Our teams use research tools appropriate to the setting to engage participants in data-driven understanding and problem solving that informs innovation and change for governmental agencies, organizations, and communities. **WNGE** also awards three academic research fellowships per year which support research focused on gender empowerment.

### WNGE PRODUCTIONS

#### VIRTUAL EVENTS:

**WNGE** produces monthly webinars addressing current topics and issues around gender empowerment and equity such as the three-part series, *Violence Against Women and Girls: Continuing Conversations* and *Education for the Empowerment of Women*. We welcome submissions for topics and speakers focused on gender empowerment and equity. In 2015, **WNGE** will launch The Global Gender Empowerment & Equity Conference. We welcome participation, contributions, and sponsors.

#### LIVE EVENTS:

**WNGE** produces live events such as the *Women in Leadership: Motivations, Experiences and Reflections*. The April, 2014 event featured US Secretary of Health and Human Services, Kathleen Sebelius, and was broadcasted on Santa Barbara Public Television.

#### MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSES (MOOCs):

As an affiliate of iTunes University, **WNGE** produces educational courses and materials focused on gender equality, women's rights, and gender empowerment. We welcome relevant course inclusions from our partnering organizations to further gender empowerment education.



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### WNGE PROFESSIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In partnership with the Fielding Graduate University Schools — Clinical and Media Psychology, Human and Organizational Development and Educational Leadership for Change — **WNGE** provides educational programs focused on gender empowerment and equity.

Building on Fielding's 40 years of experience with adult learners in a distributed format our gender empowerment and equity educational programs provide a blended learning approach to graduate-level education and can be designed for customization based on individual and organizational needs.

The **WNGE** educational programs provide the skills and knowledge to practitioners and organizations around the globe to lead change impacting gender equality, women's rights and gender empowerment.