Call for Nominations
FEMINIST ACTIVISM AWARD
Sociologists for Women in Society
Application Date: April 30, 2018

Nominate an SWSer whose **feminist activism work** has inspired you and/or others. The nomination process is simple, requiring a letter that substantiates the nominee's engagement in and contributions to society via feminist activism. (An example of a former nomination letter can be obtained from the SWS Executive Office.)

Deadline: April 30, 2018
Committee Chair: Patricia Yancey Martin (pmartin@fsu.edu**)**

History and Overview

The SWS Feminist Activism Award, established in 1995, is presented annually to an SWS member who has notably and consistently used sociology to improve conditions for women in society. The award honors outstanding feminist advocacy efforts that embody the goal of service to women and that have identifiably improved women's lives. The 2018 award winner will be asked to present a lecture at an SWS meeting (summer if it can be arranged) and on one U.S. campus during the 2019-2020 academic year to share her/his expertise and experiences (lectures, workshops, or training sessions) of feminist activism. SWS will fund the campus visit (within specified limits) and the host campus will provide housing and meals. (Application guidelines for campus visits are announced in a separate call.)

Criteria for Selection

- Evidence of the nominee's contributions to feminist activism as an SWS member who has consistently used sociology to better the lives of women.
- Recipients can include volunteers, non-volunteers, academicians, and private/public sector employees.
- The focus of the award is on feminist advocacy and outreach.

Nomination Procedures

- A nomination letter that provides an accounting of the nominee's activist contributions and their impact (others may sign as well, in support of the case made by the official letter)
- Links to websites or other documentation that describe(s) and illustrate(s) the nominee's activist work and its impact (testimonials from those benefiting from or witnessing the activism can participate)
- The nominee's curriculum vitae or resume
- Multiple nominators are invited to sign the letter written by the primary nominator
- **The candidate's CV and nomination letter should be submitted as a pdf attachment to Patricia Yancey Martin (pmartin@fsu.edu)**
- Receipt of nomination packages will be acknowledged via email
- Nominator/s of winner and the winner will be notified via email and on official letterhead from the SWS Executive Office; nominator(s) of non-winners will be notified via email
- Nominations are kept current for three years, after which they are put aside until a new request is made by the nominator. Nominators are responsible for keeping records current. The nominator must contact the Feminist Activism Award Committee chair annually to make sure the file is under consideration.

Benefits of Award

- Plaque (awarded at summer awards banquet)
- $1000 honorarium after completion of SWS and campus lectures
- Summer meeting registration and banquet ticket to receive award publicly
- Up to $500 travel expenses for the summer meeting at which the awardee presents a lecture

Obligations of Award Winner

- Attendance at Summer Awards Banquet (to receive award)
- One campus visit during the academic year following the year during which the award is presented [e.g., the 2018 winner will complete one campus visit in the 2019-2020 academic year]
- Present lecture at an SWS Summer Meeting following the year in which award is presented (e.g., 2018 winner will present a lecture at summer 2019 meeting)
- Serve on Awards committee for 2 years (e.g., the 2018 winner will participate in the selection of the 2019 and 2020 winners)

An awardee is asked to indicate in writing that s/he is aware of the Award's obligations and intends to fulfill them. **If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Pat Martin (pmartin@fsu.edu) who will assist you.**