

## Call for Abstracts

### “Relationships of Care Across and After Worlds”

Virtual Conference sponsored by  
Ethics of Care Borghesi-Mellon Workshop, Center for Humanities  
University Of Wisconsin Madison

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Questions of *care*—*practices addressing the fundamentally interconnected needs, abilities, and responsibilities of embodied others and selves and our environments*—are at the very heart of this moment. COVID-19, police violence, ever widening economic disparities, unpaid care labor, environmental destruction, settler colonialism, and empire name only a few of the converging crises facing local communities, nation states, and transnational spaces and each crisis both perpetuates and reveals the fundamental co-constitution of racism, ableism, hetero/sexism, and poverty.

This conference takes an interdisciplinary approach to care as an organizing concept across the humanities, arts, the social sciences, policy studies, STEM disciplines, and health sciences, with a particular emphasis on emerging practices toward just and livable futures. Scholars from all disciplines are warmly welcomed.

The conference theme encourages an emphasis on care as a framework for addressing the intersections between racism, sexual violence, health inequities, reproductive justice, immigration/migration, poverty, ecological destruction, ableism, child and elder care issues, and unequal representation in the public sphere. How is care given and received, denied and demanded, exhaustible and renewable? How can it reveal transformations toward justice, recognition and acknowledgment?

Conference organizers welcome proposals from faculty, graduate and advanced undergraduate students, staff, and community members. **There is no conference fee.**

Please submit a **250-300 word abstract** for a 15 minute presentation. These should be emailed to [cglarlough@wisc.edu](mailto:cglarlough@wisc.edu) by 2/4/2021. In the subject line, please include “UW Ethics of Care Conference Abstract.” Letters of acceptance will be emailed by 2/11/21.