

SSWR 2026 Conference Cluster Chairs and Service Terms (as of 3/31/2025)

CLUSTERS

1. Adolescent and Youth Development (ADOL)-----
2. Aging Services and Gerontology (A&G)-----
3. American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian and Global Indigenous Populations (Indigenous Cluster)-----
4. Asian and Asian-Pacific Islander Focused-Research (AAPIFR)-----
5. Black and African Diaspora Focused-Research (BADFR)-----
6. Child Welfare (CW)-----
7. Communities & Neighborhoods (C&N)-----
8. Crime and Criminal Justice (C&CJ)-----
9. Disability (D)-----
10. Gender (G)-----
11. Gender-Based Violence (GBV) (formerly VAWC)-----
12. Health (H)-----
13. History (HST) (new cluster starting in 2026)-----
14. Inequality, Poverty, and Social Welfare Policy (IP&SP)-----
15. International Social Work & Global Issues (ISW&GI)-----

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