

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

7TH INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE OF THE COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES, UNIVERSITY OF GHANA

Date: August 13 - 15, 2025

Pre-Conference Workshop for Graduate Students: August 12, 2025 Venue: University of Ghana, Legon, Accra, Ghana

Theme:

BRIDGING INEQUALITIES IN A CHANGING WORLD: ADVANCING INCLUSIVE GROWTH, RESILIENCE, AND SUSTAINABLE NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The College of Humanities at the University of Ghana, in collaboration with Oxfam International, invites submissions for its 7th International Research Conference, which seeks to explore the intersections of inequality, social inclusion, technology, and sustainability.

In an era of rapid technological change, economic uncertainties, climate crises, and shifting socio-political landscapes, inequalities persist in wellbeing, wealth distribution, access to education and healthcare, gender, environmental justice, and digital divides. Achieving equitable and sustainable development, in line with the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, requires innovative interdisciplinary research and actionable policy interventions.

This conference aims to foster interdisciplinary discussions that address economic, social, environmental, and technological inequalities towards building resilient and inclusive systems. The conference particularly encourages contributions that explore how technological innovations, financial inclusion, governance, indigenous knowledge systems and cultural shifts can be leveraged to build resilience and promote sustainable natural resource management and equitable development.

CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES

The Conference welcomes submissions on the following sub-themes:

- 1. Economic Growth, Sustainable Development, and Inequalities
- 2. Poverty, Financial Inclusion, and Social Protection
- Technological Innovations, Data Governance and 3. Security
- 4. Humanities and Biodiversity: Addressing

- 10. Health and Educational Disparities in a Changing World
- 11. Mental Health, Behaviour Change and Wellbeing
- 12. Gig Economy and Emerging Labour Markets
- 13. Media, Communications, and the Politics of Inequality
- 14. Spatial Development, Urbanisation, and Regional Disparities
- 15. Migration, Displacement, and Global Inequalities
- 16. Culture, Literature and Linguistic Dimensions of Inequality
- 17. Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Philosophy, Religion, and Inclusive Policy
- 18. Law, Justice, and Equity in Socioeconomic Development
- 19. Business, Entrepreneurship, and Market-Based Approaches to Addressing Inequality
- 20. Conflict, Peace, and Security in Unequal Societies
- 21. Political Economy, Resource Governance, and Institutional Reforms
- 22. Social Sciences and Humanities in Addressing Inequality and Inclusion
- 23. Performing Arts, Theatre, Music, and Dance as Tools for Social Change

Abstracts on other topics relevant to the central theme are welcome.

SUBMISSION FORMAT AND LANGUAGE

Individual Presentations: Abstracts should not be more than 250 words.

Panel Sessions: Submissions for panel presentations should include a summary of 300 words. A panel shall comprise a minimum of three and maximum of five papers and must be aligned to one of the sub-themes.

- Epistemological Inequalities
- 5. Natural Resources, Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability
- 6. Inequalities in the Blue and Green Economy: Access, Justice, and Sustainability
- 7. Adaptation, Resilience, and Community-Led Development
- 8. Gender, Intersectionality, and Social Justice
- 9. Governance, Human Rights, and Legal Frameworks for Equity

Language: While English will be the main language of the conference, we will also accommodate papers in major Ghanaian languages and in French

Submission Process: All abstracts should be submitted using the link or QR code: https://forms.office.com/r/KM1Ezc3T4Y

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstract: May 31, 2025 Notification of Acceptance: June 15, 2025 – June 20, 2025

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