

Invitation to Speak at the Third Annual Law Women Summit, "Women in Conflict: Gender, Violence, and Peacekeeping"

NYU Law, Friday, February 20, 11:30 am – 5:15 pm

Call @ 12:15 pm with Isabela Gomez Executive Co-Chair, NYU Law Women, members of the committee and speakers.

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Keynote speech

- Approximately 30 minutes from 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm (after the introduction speech and the Dean's speech)
- Content of the Summit, Women in Conflict in general
- Personal twist to the speech

THEY ARE VERY FLEXIBLE –WHATEVER WORKS FOR JANET!

About the Event

The Summit, in conjunction with the Alumna of the Year Award, is Law Women's keystone annual event. It will gather almost 200 students, alumni, faculty, and community members to celebrate and critically examine the roles of women in law and global affairs. Coinciding with the 15th Anniversary of UN Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace, and Security, the Summit will address issues of women and gender in times of conflict, focusing on the particular effect that such situations have on catalyzing women to transform spaces of justice. Legal practitioners, academics, and theorists will bring together their diverse backgrounds, experiences, and areas of expertise to create a unique conversation addressing the evolving roles of women in conflict situations---as subjects, actors, participants, activists, leaders, peacemakers, negotiators, reformers, and advocates---and the social, legal, and institutional contexts in which they pursue them.

Schedule of Events

11:30a.m. **Introduction:**

Dean Trevor W. Morrison and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand [Video](#) Welcome Remarks

12:00p.m. **Keynote Speaker**

12:30p.m. **Practitioner Luncheon:**

Current practitioners will share with current NYU Law students how they have integrated issues related to women, conflict, development, or general advocacy into their [careers](#), either through their everyday work or as part of a pro bono practice.

1:30p.m. **Panel I: The Evolving Role Of Women in
Armed Conflict:**

The first panel will explore the sphere of armed conflict, an area that has traditionally been viewed as a male domain, despite how deeply and disproportionately women are affected by it. Women's increasing presence in modern militaries and their taking up arms as combatants in conflicts around the world is transforming the traditional assumption. The panelists will examine the roles women take on in conflict situations—actor, victim, and perpetrator, and will delve into the question of how legal systems are responding to women's evolving involvement in violence.

**2:45p.m. Panel II: Peacekeeping and Rebuilding in the
Aftermath of Conflict:**

The second panel will then move to a discussion of the role of gender in the aftermath of violent conflict. 15 years ago the UN passed resolution 1325, which stressed the importance of women's equal and full participation as active agents in conflict prevention, conflict resolution, peace-building and peacekeeping. In this panel we will address the role of gender in conflict resolution and transitional justice in light of 1325 and beyond.

4:00p.m. Panel III: Women Transforming Spaces of Justice:

In this third panel, the conversation will turn to conflict as a transformative space—as a catalyst for reimagining spaces of justice and retributive acts. It will look at the ways women have taken these moments to create systems to serve their needs, or developed new ways to recreate what it means to be a woman navigating these systems.

5:00p.m. Summit Closing Remarks

Student-Alumnae Structured Networking Reception

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6:00p.m. Presentation of the Alumna of the Year Award to:
Virginia Molino '76, General Counsel at
McKinsey & Company, Inc.

7:00p.m. Closing Reception

*Students may receive EIW credit for attending the Networking Reception

Participants and Guest Speakers include

- **Charlotte Bunch**, Founding Director and Senior Scholar, Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University
- **Patty Chang**, Professor, NYU Center for Global Affairs & the Program on International Relations
- **Belinda Cooper**, Senior Fellow, World Policy Institute; Adjunct Professor, New York University Center for Global Affairs

- **Roxanne Krystalli**, Program Manager of the Humanitarian Evidence Program, Feinstein International Center, Tufts University
- **Emily Kenney '14**, Researcher, Global Study on 1325, UN Women
- **Lynn Lawry**, Senior Director of Research and Evaluation, Overseas Strategic Consulting, Ltd.
- **Nikki Reisch '12**, Legal Director of the Center for Human Rights and Global Justice
- **Cornelia Schneider**, Judicial Affairs Officer, Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Service, United Nations Global Focal Point Arrangement for Police, Justice and Corrections
- **Andrea Ó Súilleabháin**, Senior Policy Analyst, International Peace Institute
- **Jennifer Trahan '90**, Associate Clinical Professor of Global Affairs, New York University Center for Global Affairs
- **Nahla Valji**, Policy Adviser and Officer in Charge, Peace and Security section, UN Women
- **Anna Marie Goetz**, Clinical Professor, New York University Center for Global Affairs