

National Latinx Social Work Conference 2027



**Join us at the
Conference Location:**



**Save the Dates:
April 16 to 18, 2027**

**Call for Proposals Information
Available at :**

www.lswo2026.com

Call for Workshops, Panels, and Student Poster Sessions)

(Review Proposal Instructions at www.lsw2026.com)

LSWO's "La Familia" continuing education programs, encourages all social work professionals, allied health professionals, community based social workers, private practitioners, educators, and community interventionists (and all specialties in SW Practice) to submit proposals. Unfortunately, we live in precarious times in the United States and Globally. We know that many of our researchers and practitioners are meeting the needs of Latinx/e/a individuals, families, and communities.

For example, School Social Workers and Community Based Social Workers have had to use innovative approaches to meet the needs of Latine/x/a families who are in fear. We would like to see how practitioners have been innovative in their in-person, case management, clinical, or hybrid approaches with Latinx/e/a clients.

In this profession, we have many social workers who provide community organizing, community engagement /collaborative approaches to meet the Latine/a/e communities. We are seeking proposals regarding the Role of Social Workers with the immigrant community. And we have seen an increase of social workers moving into private practice and/or group practice. Sharing your use of frameworks, perspectives, and theories with individual, families, and groups are welcomed.

The LSWO Conference committee is open to all proposals which are concerned with Social Work Practice within Latinx/e/a communities. Below is a list of workshop ideas which attendees have recommended. **All presenters who are approved to present will receive a reduced speaker fee to attend the conference. There is a limit of 2 presenters per workshop and 3 presenters for panel presentations. We only communicate with the lead speaker.**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Work responding to the Needs of Immigrants• Feminist Perspective in Social Work Practice.• Uvalde: Social Work Responding to Families impacted by Violence• Schools Social Work: Innovative Programming• Use of Indigenous interventions: Examples: Music/Arts/Dolls in Individual or group work practice• Community Organizing and the use of Expressive Arts• Social justice and Use of Expressive Arts• Photovoice in Social Work Practice• SW responding to Environmental Racism• Interpersonal Violence• Human Trafficking• Impact on Community Assets serving the Latinx community• Use of technology in social work practice• Clinical supervision• Healthcare social work and the Latinx community• Asset Based Community Development• Adolescent and their Use of Social Media• Library Social Work and the Latine community• Geographic Information Systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Mapping approaches• Peace circles and/or Circles in Group Work practice• Use of Meditation in Social Work Practice• Advocacy Training• School Social Work and the Expressive Arts• Faith/Spirituality in SW Practice• Leadership/Mentorship practices in Nonprofit agencies• Labor Union and Social Work collaborations• International/Global Social Work• LGBTQ+ Innovative Community Outreach Initiatives.• Group Therapy in Latinx/é /Community• Arts/Music/Poetry in Therapy• Community Organizing in response to ICE Raids• LGBTQIA Social Work Practice• DBT in Social Work Practice• Community Organizing: Traditional and Hybrid Approaches• Addiction in the Latinx/a/e community• Occupational Social Work• Social Media and Latine/x/a social work practice on the micro or mezzo or macro level. |
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Workshop and Panel Proposals due by October 21, 2026

Submissions will be assessed by the following variables:

- ☐ Relevance to social work practice with Latin/a/e communities
- ☐ Clarity, organization, and quality of content.
- ☐ Experience with and depth of knowledge about the proposal content.
- ☐ Innovation and creativity in social work perspective.
- ☐ Relevance to the Cultural Competency Standards and/or Code of Ethics
- ☐ Integration of Ejournal literature, theories, frameworks, or perspectives, etc.
- ☐ Please follow the format for your proposal with letters: A, B, C D, E, F, G

A. Proposal Cover Sheet:

1. An enticing, captivating presentation title (**up to 12 words max**) that clearly conveys the presentation content. Make sure the proposal aligns with the conference's theme.

B. Type of Presentation

1. **Panel Presentations** are limited to 3 speakers, and **Workshop Proposals** are limited to up to 2 speakers.

C. Presenter Information for Workshops or Panel Presentations:

1. Each presenter's name, highest social work and/or other academic degree, license level, current job title, and employer. Indicate lead presenter if there is more than one presenter. **All communications regarding the proposal will be sent to the the lead presenter who develops the proposal, and uploads the proposal at www.lsw2026.com**
2. Each presenter's mailing address, phone numbers (work and home), and email address, and resume or curriculum vitae (CV). (If you are a licensed behavioral health professional, please enter your State Licensure number.)
3. Communication will only be shared with the Lead speaker only.

D. Questions Regarding Your Proposed Presentation

The following questions may be answered with bullet points and/or 3 to 4 sentences:

1. What are the core idea(s) of your presentation which align with Latine/x/a social work practice?
2. What are key outcomes for any social worker or social work student, to take from this presentation?
3. What is the connection of your proposal to issues of social and economic justice, culture, ethics, advocacy, intersectionality, social justice, best practice, and/or policy? Please be specific.
4. Every presentation must address issues in the Latinx population as they intersect micro and/or mezzo and/or macro social work practice and integrates Social Work Theories, Approaches, and/or Research. Please highlight your use of Latine/x/a researchers in your proposal.
5. How will your presentation format engage the audience and promote interaction?

E. Abstract: 250 words

F. Learn Objectives: 4 measurable learning objectives.

G: Literature: Please include a reading list, journal literature. or bibliography which supports your proposal.

(Approved speakers will receive a discount for attending this conference. The LSWO provides the most reasonable fees compared to other Social Work professional organizations. The reason, for the lower costs, is the fact that all LSWO Leadership is volunteer.)

Please Follow the instructions for your proposal and then upload to the www.lsw2026.com website.

LSWO Social Work Faculty Reviewers for Workshops/Panels

Dr. Iraida V. Carrion

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Dr. Carmen Monico

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Dr. Pablo Arriaza

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LSWO Faculty Reviewer for Student Poster Sessions

Jessica Rodriguez-JenKins, PhD, LICSW

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Exhibitors and Sponsorships Available for Chicago Conference

Please communicate with your agencies/organizations/schools of social work regarding exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities. Many exhibitors from our conferences return to our conferences. Whether your recruiting faculty, bilingual licensed social workers, social work students, or human service professionals.

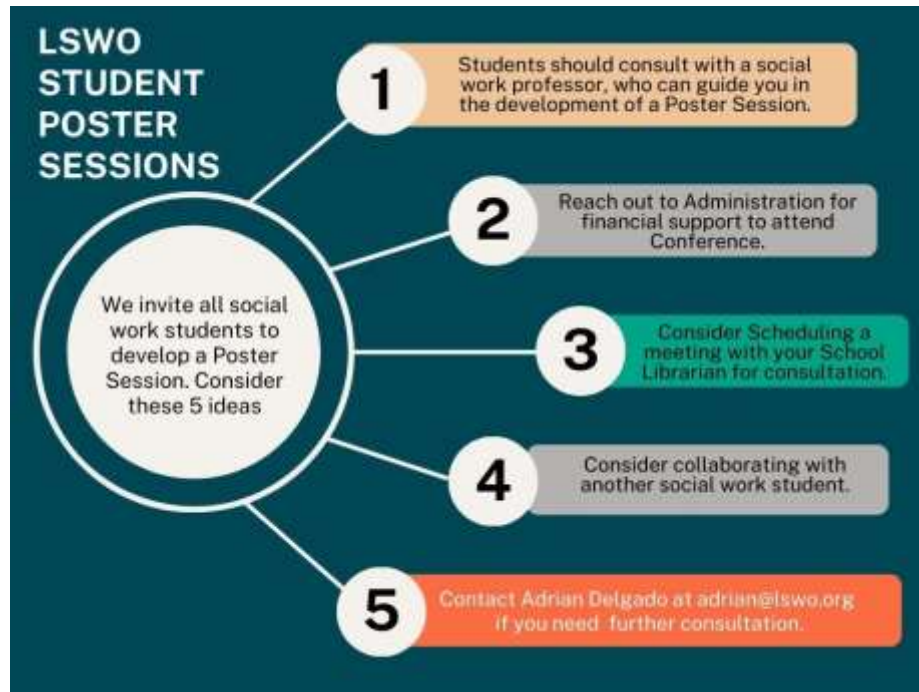
Email us at: Socialwork@lswo.org for more information regarding sponsorships for this conference. The Exhibitor space fee is \$650.00 and this covers April 16-17, 2026 days of the conference. Each exhibitor will have 1 table and 2 chairs.

Group Discounts available

Group Discounts are available for Groups of 4 or more employees can receive 20 percent discount off the regular professional individual price. We encourage employees and students to inform their organizations early about this opportunity. We will end group discounts by March 1, 2027

Contact Adrian L Delgado, LCSW at adrian@lswo.org

Student Poster Sessions can be submitted by February 15, 2027



The *Latino Social Workers Organization* (LSWO) Chicago conference is much more than a continuing education event. For decades, this is a place for social workers to network, share, and learn. Many social workers return to the Windy City to network with Social Workers they met in the 2000s, 2010s, or 2020's.

Social Workers from across the United States, Canada, and Mexico have consistently attended our conference.

Visit the UCLA Luskin Social Welfare website for Educational opportunities

Go to: <https://luskin.ucla.edu/social-welfare/>

