



**THE AFRICA AMERICA INSTITUTE**  
**ALIDOU AFRICAN WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**  
In Collaboration with the African Studies Association of Africa and the United States  
International University-Africa  
Nairobi, Kenya

The Africa-America Institute is pleased to announce the launch of its inaugural Dr. Ousseina and Ambassador Dr. Hassana Alidou African Women in Leadership Program for female graduate students (MA/PhD) and young professionals (1-5 years postgraduation) based on the continent of Africa. The first inaugural mentoring workshop will be held in Nairobi, Kenya, in October 2019, in collaboration with the United States International University Africa (USIU Africa) during the biennial conference of the African Studies Association of Africa (ASAA) 24-26 October 2019.

The one-day workshop will focus on issues confronting young women professionals and graduate students. Tentative topics to be covered include but are not limited to; building a sustainable professional network; conducting research and publishing your work, networking and job placements, striking a balance between the personal and the professional; grant writing and funding opportunities, dealing with sexual harassment and many more.

Successful applicants will be matched with women scholars and industry leaders to develop a lasting mentorship relationship. Successful applicants who go on to produce a piece of scholarly work or complete a series of co-mentoring tasks will be awarded a certificate of completion and inducted into the AAI -Alidou Women in Leadership Network.

**Goal**

Provide targeted mentoring opportunities for graduate students (MA/Ph.D.) and early career professionals (1-5years post-graduation) located on the continent of Africa.

**Eligibility and Application Criteria**

1. Applicants must be current female graduate students in an MA or Ph.D. program on the continent of Africa who are writing their thesis or preparing a research proposal or early career professionals (1-5 years post-graduation) with a Masters or Ph.D. degree.

**Submission process:**

Applicants should please submit the following documents by **20 SEPTEMBER 2019**:

1. Current CV
2. Statement of intent (no more than 1000 words)
  - a. Describe your professional aspirations and where you expect to see yourself over the next five years
  - b. Issues or topics you would like to have covered during the workshop
  - c. Your anticipated contributions to the workshop

The entire dossier shall be compiled as a single PDF file and submitted by email to the organisers of the workshop, to the email address [conference5050@gmail.com](mailto:conference5050@gmail.com) (put in the subject line “Nairobi 2019”)

**Selected applicants will receive**

1. A free one-day workshop
2. Stipend for local transport
3. Lunch and coffee breaks

*\*\*\*Applicants are responsible for travel and accommodation arrangements.*