MISSION AND OVERVIEW
The mission of the Leadership Institute for Women in Psychology (LIWP) is to prepare, support, and empower women psychologists as leaders and to increase their diversity, number, and effectiveness.

LIWP REUNION AT APA CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON, DC, ON WEDNESDAY, AUG. 2, FROM 5–7 PM IN THE MARRIOTT MARQUIS HOTEL CONGRESS ROOM
Join us on Wed., Aug. 2, to celebrate LIWP’s 10th anniversary. Reconnect with alumnae and faculty, meet the members of the 10th class, and hear about what we’ve planned for the next 10 years. Refreshments will be served.

PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS, CLASSES 1-9, 2008-2017

LIWP-9 FALL INSTITUTE
The 9th Class of LIWP participant leaders is 37 women strong, a diverse and accomplished group who work in a variety of employment sectors. Since its inaugural cohort in 2008, the LIWP has served 303 diverse participants across a variety of settings. Currently there are 15 core faculty, and an additional 10 faculty have participated via in-person and webinar content delivery. Faculty, too, are diverse and represent a variety of settings.

The 2016-2017 cohort gathered November 1–3, 2016, in Washington, DC, for the 9th annual institute, a three-day training workshop focused on career planning, leadership skill development, and networking. Workshop topics included an introduction to women and leadership, self-assessment, self-empowerment, mentoring, negotiation, conflict management, managing the home–work interface, and leadership goal setting. The follow-up workshop was held April 4–6, 2017.
LIWP-8 (2015-2016) TAKES CAPITOL HILL

Each spring, LIWP participant leaders return to DC to attend the second training workshop, focused on systems change, and to participate in a day of legislative advocacy on Capitol Hill. Training modules include leadership dilemmas and personnel challenges in organizational change, and fiscal and budgetary management. In addition, APA's Public Interest Government Relations staff join the LIWP faculty to present training on federal advocacy and accompany participant leaders to Capitol Hill, where they meet with their members of Congress and congressional staff and advocate for legislation that improves women’s lives and benefits society. Recent advocacy foci have included the Violence Against Women Act and gender responsive justice legislation. Legislative advocacy is a new activity for many LIWP participant leaders, and they often note this as a highlight of the spring workshop.

For more information on LIWP advocacy activities, go to: http://www.apa.org/pi/women/programs/leadership/index.aspx

RECENT LIWP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

LIWP alumnae keep the Institute updated with their progress and significant leadership achievements throughout the year. Nineteen LIWP alumnae began elected or appointed to APA leadership positions (Council of Representatives, boards, committees, division presidencies) in January 2017.

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MOST PEOPLE THINK I AM A DREAMER...Through dreams many things have come true. I am interested in women and I believe in their possibilities...We need vision for larger things, for the unfolding and reviewing of worthwhile things.

–Mary McLeod Bethune, at the 1935 founding meeting of the National Council of Negro Women

Jessica Henderson Daniel, PhD, ABPP, contributed this inspiring quotation. Dr. Henderson Daniel is an LIWP founding faculty and EC member, the APA president-elect, and the first African American woman president-elect of the American Psychological Association.