

Kellogg Institute for International Studies
Guidelines for Work-in-Progress Seminars

Overview

Kellogg Work-in-Progress (WiP) seminars offer an opportunity outside of our regular lecture series for faculty, advanced graduate students, postdoctoral researchers, and visiting fellows to present and receive feedback on their scholarly projects. These smaller, informal sessions are aimed at generating in-depth, interdisciplinary discussion.

Participants are encouraged to read the pre-circulated draft paper or chapter (no greater than 30 pages in length), in advance, and provide productive feedback to the presenter. The presenter's remarks should take no more than 15 minutes. The floor is then open to a moderated discussion. There will be no designated discussant, unless the presenter can identify and invite one.

For Authors/Presenters:

- Submit a draft paper (maximum 30 pages) one week in advance of the session. It will be distributed to all registered participants.
- Prepare a 15-20 minute presentation that highlights the central research question and major conclusions, key issues most central to the further development of the paper, and poses questions for discussion and feedback. Authors should keep in mind that, in most cases, these seminars will involve participants from multiple but relevant disciplines.
- Consider whether the use of technology will enhance or detract from the discussion. Presenters using technology should plan to arrive at the meeting room at least 15 minutes in advance to test and set up needed equipment.

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