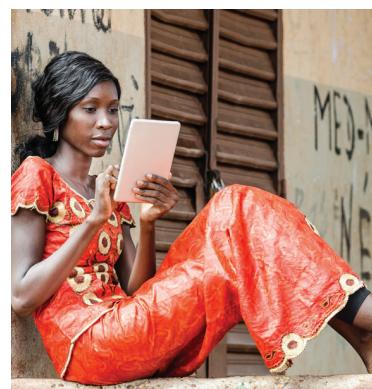


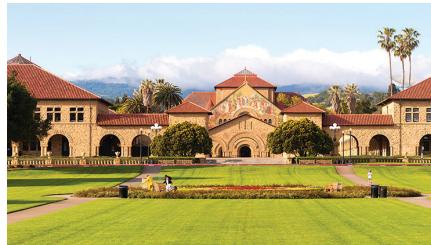
Global Center for Gender Equality at Stanford

“Gender equality is more than a goal in itself. It is a precondition for reducing poverty, promoting sustainable development, and building good governance.” ~ Kofi Annan



Overview

At this time of COVID-19 and economic crisis, many organizations and individuals are seeking systemic solutions to address equity imbalances. This is a pivotal moment to reimagine how we bring an equity and inclusivity lens to gender, class and other axes of power in a post COVID-19 world and beyond.



Old ways of operating hold back the depth, pace, and scale of change the world needs. There's an urgent need to reimagine a bold, intersectional approach to addressing systemic gender inequalities and their intersections with other aspects of social inequalities such as race and socioeconomic status. This new approach calls for new ways of thinking, acting, and partnering to collectively challenging norms and assumptions of traditional solutions.

In order to do this, a multi-pronged approach will:

- Cultivate and uplift big ideas and solutions
- Facilitate new partnerships and coalitions
- Bring long-silenced voices to the table
- Break down siloes and work across disciplines, borders, and perspectives
- Use media to communicate, mobilize, and inspire

The Global Center for Gender Equality at Stanford University has the ambition to address these challenges, with a goal of boosting gender equality to improve health, well-being, and prosperity for all.



Translating Research Findings into Design-Based Solutions



Gender equality experts at Stanford under the leadership of **Gary Darmstadt, MD, MS**, and **Sarah Henry, MPH**, have been leading major research and programmatic efforts over the past five years. Our theory of change is grounded in a better understanding of how gender inequalities and restrictive gender norms hinder individual and community well-being.

The team at Stanford has applied a holistic systems-based approach to design bold, evidence-based solutions that have been implemented and scaled.

Examples of research projects include: providing quality education, ensuring access to clean water and sanitation, improving health and well-being, and

promoting women's economic empowerment. These efforts have underscored how fundamental it is to address underlying gender inequalities to achieve impact across sectors from education to health.

Impactful Research Projects Launched

The Center for Gender Equality has several research and translational projects in motion across the world to further gender equality and advance health impact.

2015-2019

Built a global network of 100+ contributors and 40+ organizations across 5 continents through the Lancet Series of published papers providing new analysis of the impact of gender inequalities on health.

2018-2021

Complete a landscaping report on programs, policies, and published literature for Women's Economic Empowerment in Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania.

2020-2021

Lead and develop a gender transformative leadership program for the Ethiopian government.

2021+

Undertake a rapid needs and stakeholder assessment in the African Union to benchmark gender integration efforts for the COVID-19 response.

Relaunch feminist.com as a refreshed, bold, and dynamic multi-media platform for imagining and co-creating an intersectional feminist future.

2016-2024

Create a scalable model to end poverty and deliver an integrated childhood development strategy in rural China.



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Launching and Sustaining a Gender Equality Center on a Global Scale

The global gender equality effort at Stanford has demonstrated a track record of building trans-disciplinary teams, generating new ideas, and producing revolutionary answers to challenging world problems. This effort recently received official center status, forming the Global Center for Gender Equality, which is housed in the School of Medicine at Stanford University.

Leadership at the newly formed Center envisions that Stanford experts will co-develop business

and operational plans in collaboration with local stakeholders working on gender equality. Early funding will be used for research to identify which initiatives show the most promise for bringing about change, and for partnering with local groups to focus on specific issues that are most relevant to those communities. Stanford will develop leadership training curricula and apply its expertise in management of gender-related data to further advance research, policy formulation, program development, and advocacy.

“Today we are at a moment of unprecedented opportunity for achieving dramatic progress towards gender equality. We need audacious and ambitious partnerships to re-imagine, re-invent, and disrupt traditional development approaches.”

~ Sarah Henry
Executive Director of the Global Center For Gender Equality at Stanford



An illustration of the Center's vision for driving social impact is the **Gender Equality Innovation Hub in Kenya**, in partnership with the James R. Jordan Foundation International.



The Innovation Hub will be housed in the Kenyan Women and Children's Wellness Center on the campus of the United States International University-Africa in Nairobi. The state-of-the-art Hub occupies ten acres and includes six buildings, a 250-seat auditorium, dozens of classrooms, and 28 apartments to house visiting scholars, students (post-doctoral, graduate, and undergraduate), and others who will



collaborate onsite around education, training, research, data analysis, and program and policy formulation.

The Innovation Hub in Kenya will be co-created and run in partnership with local leaders, with Stanford serving as the lead programmatic partner, providing vision, strategy, and academic rigor. Through the Hub, faculty will work in collaboration with the



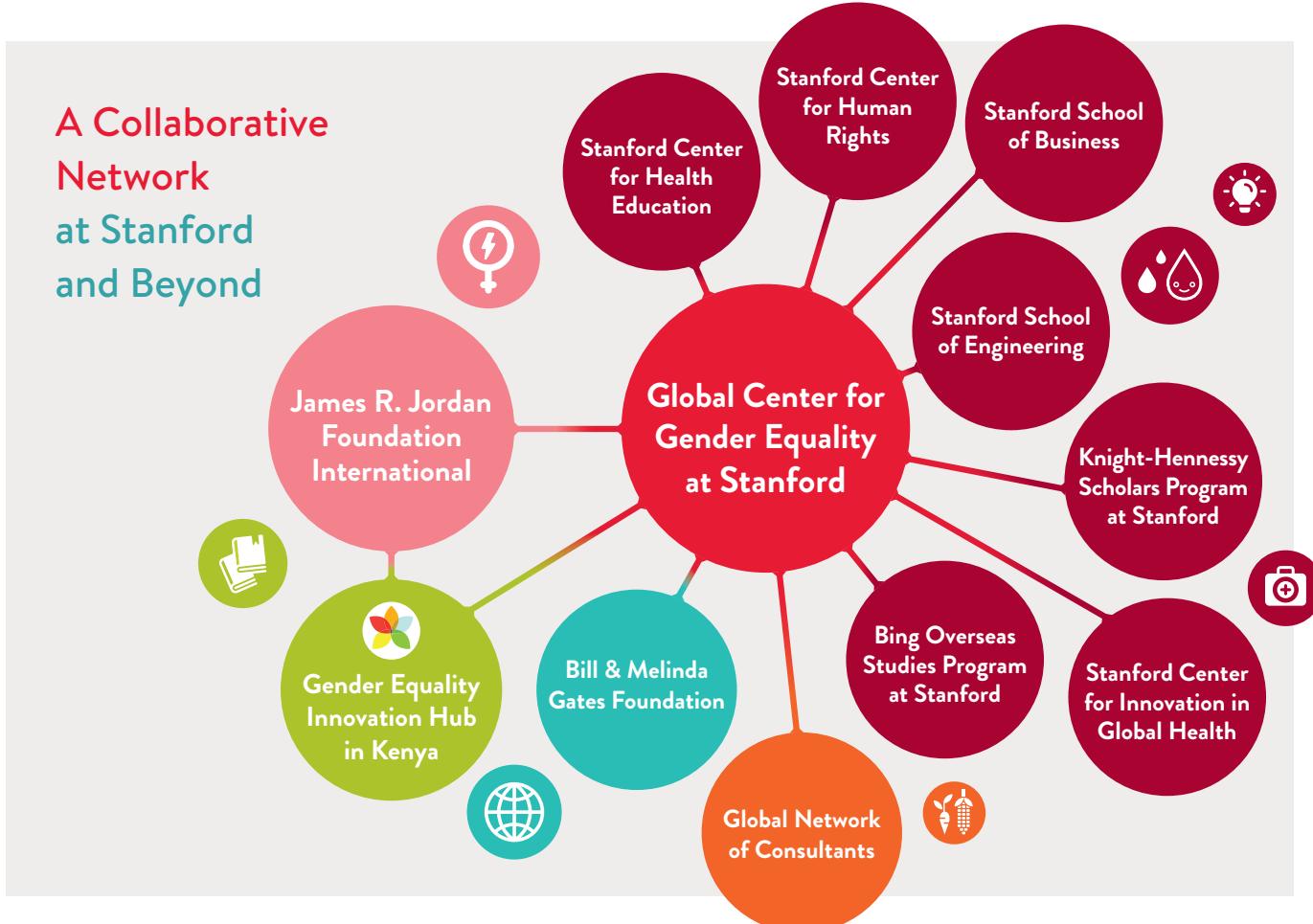
Kenyan government, private sector, civil society, and academic institutions to promote gender equality through research, policy development, and advocacy.

Furthermore, the Center will train future leaders and will develop worldwide, collaborative networks to share data and evidence, ideas, and best practices.

Examples of initial projects that the emerging Hub is focusing on include



developing policies, programs, and research as well as building partnerships to help identify entry points to advance gender equality and health; promotion of women's economic opportunities; and machine learning analysis of the role of media in shaping societal perceptions of women's governmental leadership. The Hub in Kenya will also draw lessons from the Center's early efforts demonstrating success and impact in India, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, and China.



The Center additionally has access to an extraordinary pool of talent on the Stanford campus from which it can draw, as illustrated above.

Furthermore, the Center maintains a strong affiliation with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, a leading health and development philanthropic organization.

The Center's top leaders—Gary Darmstadt and Sarah Henry—are both veterans of the Gates Foundation and maintain strong relationships with the Foundation's leadership and staff. A total of eight full-time staff from the Center support the Gates Foundation to integrate a gender equality lens across the foundation, including their

strategies and investments. Other partnerships include several other foundations such as Echidna Giving, Women Moving Millions, American Institutes for Research, World Vision, and the Enlight Foundation.



Advancing Gender Equality through Philanthropy

The Global Center for Gender Equality at Stanford is at a pivotal moment where funding is vital to accelerate several key goals. Strong philanthropic partners who share a passion for gender equality and global health can play a catalytic role in transforming the Center's vision into actionable impact.

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