

Women Today: Politics, Perception, and Power

Frank Church Symposium 2025

HYBRID - virtual/in-person
(All Schedules are Mountain Time)

April 3, 2025

Rendezvous ABC Suites

9:00 AM: Symposium Introduction Comments

9:30 AM - 10:45 AM: Panel 1: President's Panel

Moderator: Barb Allen

Panelists: ISU President Robert Wagner, Pocatello Mayor Brian Blad, CEO of United Way Southeastern Idaho Shantay Bloxham, and Idahoan Foods Representative Melissa Aston

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM: Joseph and Priscilla Hearst Memorial Lecture: A Conversation with Senator Melissa Wintrow

Lecturer: Senator Melissa Wintrow

12:30 PM - 2:30 PM: Break

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Panel 2: Bodily Autonomy and Healthcare

Moderator: Colin Johnson

Panelists: Annie Fukushima, Amanda Lilly, Amna Quyyam, Tahmineh Borhani, and Mindy Benedetti CEO of Health West

Bilyeu Theatre (Frazier Hall)

6:00 PM: Keynote Address: Kehkashan Basu, Founder-President of Green Hope Foundation & UN Human Rights Champion

Title: Powering Feminist Sustainable Development

April 4, 2025

Rendezvous ABC Suites

9:00 AM: Introduction

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM: Panel 3: Media's Frame

Moderator: Neelam Sharma

Panelists: Angela Sterritt, Kaitlin Sidorsky, and Sri Craven

11:15 AM Richard H. Foster Lecture: Electoral Participation of Women in Turkey: Challenges and Opportunities.

Lecturer: Ahu Sumbas

12:30 PM - 2:30 PM: Break

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Panel 4: Global Discourses

Moderator: Marie Stango

Panelists: TeLisa Daughtry, Kehkashan Basu, and Priya Kapoor

4:45 PM - 6:15 PM: Panel 5: Women in Power

Moderator: Katrina Running

Panelists: Kristy Drutman, Farhana Hibbert, and Soledad Prillaman

6:30 PM: Closing Remarks