



Call for Articles **Gender (Im)Balance in Gulf Societies**

Submission due date: Friday, 12 January 2018

Word limit: 1,000 – 1,500 words

***Gulf Affairs* invites scholars to submit original analytical articles for its upcoming issue entitled “Gender (Im)Balance in Gulf Societies.”**

Gulf Affairs is a journal founded by OxGAPS | Oxford Gulf & Arabian Peninsula Studies Forum, a University of Oxford-based platform. The journal is exclusively dedicated to furthering knowledge and dialogue on the pressing issues and challenges facing the six member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council—Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Each issue is dedicated to a particular theme, allowing for a comprehensive coverage from various analytical perspectives and fields of study. Accepted articles are submitted to reviewers for comment prior to publication.

To capture the complexity of the various issues and challenges around gender (im)balance in Gulf societies, articles are encouraged from a wide range of disciplinary lenses, including: Economics, Politics, Law, Psychology, Sociology, Anthropology, Area Studies, Gender Studies, Education and History. Balanced articles supported by sufficient and credible sources that offer a unique perspective on the theme will likely be accepted for publication.¹

***Gulf Affairs* welcomes analytical articles on (though not limited to) the following areas:**

- What is the state of gender inequality in Gulf countries? How has this evolved over the years?
- What do we know about the various forms—domestic, institutional, economic and structural—of silent or overt gender violence in the Gulf states?
- How has nation-building—including development agendas, national visions and legal structures—transformed female participation in the GCC workforce?
- How have public and private institutions influenced gender roles in Gulf societies?
- Women in Gulf countries have always played a crucial role in politics. How has female participation in this realm developed over the years?
- What are some stereotypes associated with *khaleeji* women both inside and outside the region?
- How is social media impacting cultural norms on various gender-related issues such as the expansion of non-segregated social spaces?
- What are the current issues in marriage, divorce and family life in the Gulf states?
- How is masculinity and/or femininity perceived, understood and negotiated in Gulf societies?

Submission Guidelines: Please send articles to gulfaffairs@oxgaps.org by Friday, 12 January 2018. Authors whose articles have been accepted for review will be notified within two weeks after the submission deadline.

¹For citing and referencing, use [Chicago Manual of Style](#) endnotes.