

A photograph of a modern ASU building with a colorful, geometric facade in shades of orange, red, and brown. The building is partially obscured by green trees on the left and right. A yellow banner is overlaid on the bottom half of the image.

# Call for Submissions to the 2026 Guns in Society Annual Symposium

Arizona State University's BRIDGS Initiative: Bringing Research and Innovation into the Debate on Guns in Society invites submissions to the Annual Symposium on **February 26 and 27, 2026**, at the downtown campus of ASU in Phoenix, AZ

## The Gun Debate You Don't Know: Hidden Stories of Guns in Society

This symposium explores the overlooked and untold stories of guns in society through the lenses of social science and the humanities. We invite work that challenges familiar narratives and brings forward the messy, contradictory, and unexpected corners of the gun debate.

### Topics may include:

- ▶ Art and storytelling in shaping gun narratives
- ▶ Armed self-defense
- ▶ Gun violence and trauma
- ▶ Identity, inequality, family, and the economy
- ▶ Social movements
- ▶ Politics of gun rights/control
- ▶ Comparative and global perspectives
- ▶ Guns, conservation, and environmental justice

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by **October 15, 2025**