Role of Women in Public Administration (Years 1900-2000) Literature Review Sahar Zafar Fall 2014

## **Abstract**

The role of women in public administration has been ever evolving. Women have been struggling for equality in all avenues such as politics, academia, employment (government or private), research, publishing, etc. It is evident through a review of American history that women have always struggled to make their place in the government, however public administration is one field where their struggle has been much more difficult than in any other field. Women have come a long way from the 1900s to the 2000s, where women are now starting to equate men in certain disciplines of public administration (State and local government). But it is through a thorough analysis of the history of public administration that we are able to appreciate their accomplishments and understand the hurdles and hardships that they had to endure. Understanding their history is how truly we can appreciate their endeavors in the field. In this literature review of the role of women in public administration, we will be looking at women who have made major contributions to the field, the role of women in ASPA, role of women in public administration research and publications and finally what the future holds for the women in the field of public administration.

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