

Mirya Holman's AcWriMo 2019 goals

*Disclaimers: I'm productive and have a hell of a lot of privilege. I have a low teaching load. I have great coauthors. I am teaching repeat preps with good students. I have some service duties in November, but they should only take about 10 hours in total. I have a lot of projects going on all at once. And I like to set unrealistic goals for myself because I find this highly motivating. I am, after all, an upholder and I respond positively to both internal and external pressures. As a result, **I set very ambitious goals for myself**. If comparisons are an issue for you and might activate your imposter syndrome or make you hate the academy (or me!), **please don't look**. Go live your best life.*

Goals appear on the next page

Want to see what I've done in the past? Here are links to:

[2018](#)

[2017](#)

2016 (not sure where this went) (update - I wrote an unsuccessful NSF grant) (this was a miserable AcWriMo!)

[2015](#)

[2014](#)

Overall goals: ~~Spend 80 hours writing, or 4 hours, 15 minutes of writing a day.~~ I consider any work that relates to the production of writing to be writing, including reading, data analysis, making figures, or time spent in the archive. I do not write on the weekends, holidays, or after 6pm. THIS WILL BE A REACH FOR ME AND IT IS DEPENDENT ON SNEAKING WRITING IN EVERY DAY. This will require that I say no to things and that I let some shit slip. It will also require a significant social media diet for me, which I need to do anyway.

Week 1 (1 day): 5 hrs, 57 minutes of writing

Week 2: 6hrs, 5m+5hrs, 25m+6hr, 52min+5hrs, 8min+5hrs, 18 minutes (29 hours, 8 minutes)

Week 3: 4hrs, 38 m+5hrs, 42m+6hrs, 54m, 5hrs, 17m+3hrs, 3 minutes (25hrs, 47 minutes)

Week 4: 7hrs, 14m+4hrs, 49m+5hrs, 36m, 6hrs, 38m+5hrs, 49 minutes (30hrs, 7 minutes)

Week 5: 7hrs, 6m+4hrs, 45m+4hrs (15hrs, 53 minutes)

Final tally: 108 hours, 10 minutes of writing across 20 days - 5hrs, 24 minutes a day

Week 1 hours to go: 80

Week 2 hours to go: 74 hours, 3 minutes

Week 3 hours to go: 44 hours, 55 minutes

Week 4 hours to go: 19 hours, 8 minutes

Week 5 hours to go: Zero fucking hours to go - all gravy from here out!

Rewards:

For each goal I cross off, I get to book a spring-or summer-travel-related thing (flight, hotel, excursion) or buy a piece of travel-related clothing/accessory

Overall goals: Submit ~~five-four~~ three papers and 1 R&R. Make progress on ~~six-five-four-three-two~~ one other papers. Submit ~~four-three-two~~ one grants. ~~Complete New Orleans archive work for book.~~ Finish history chapter and ~~chapter 3~~ of the book. ~~Finish copy edits for edited volume. Do an audit of various projects that are in-process but not moving forward.~~ Deal with any rejections (or R&Rs!) that come in during the month. Submit abstracts to ~~four-three-two~~ one conferences. Burn it all down.

1: Resubmit pink collar R&R

- ~~Data and results changes~~
- ~~Small edits to theory~~
- ~~Clarification of women v pink collar v blue collar~~
- Memo

- Final read through
- Resubmit

2. Submit sex ed

- ~~— Clean up theory~~
- ~~— Edits to intro~~
- ~~— State level data~~
- New conclusion
- Final edits
- Submit

3. ~~Submit Cueless in New Orleans~~

- ~~— Reorg front~~
- ~~— Reorg results~~
- ~~— New conclusion~~
- ~~— Final edits~~
- ~~— Submit~~

4. Submit kids polarization

- ~~— Talk to the media people~~
- ~~— 5 sentences for the conversation~~
- ~~— Draft for the conversation~~
- ~~— Make sure to address all of Yanna's comments, clean up results~~
- Reorganize literature review and results around new order
- Edits and final read through
- Submit

5. ~~Submit climate change article~~

- ~~— Table of types of bills~~
- ~~— Adjusted models + map~~
- ~~— Write up results~~
- ~~— Final edits and changes~~
- ~~— Submit~~

6. Submit preemption

- ~~— Look at reviews~~
- Pick journal
- 10 hours of work
- Submit

7. ~~Archive work~~

- ~~— Make it through boxes 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9~~
- ~~— Human relations council~~

- ~~—Community Improvement Agency~~
- ~~—Make it through membership lists~~
- ~~—Clean up and organize all data, with quotes attached to images~~

8. Copy edits for book

- ~~—Changes from authors~~
- ~~—Headnotes — make changes~~
- ~~—Appendix — get ready to go~~
- ~~—Resubmit~~

9. Appointments book writing

- Finish remainder shitty second draft of chapter 2
- ~~—Reorient chapter 3 per feedback~~
- Swap work twice with Erin T

10. Submit Sage grant 1

- ~~—LOI to CFR by Nov 4~~
- ~~—Budget~~
- ~~—Edits and changes by Nov 20~~
- ~~—Submit by Nov 26~~

11. Prep Sage grant app 2

- ~~—Outline of full app to Tiffany by Nov 10~~
- ~~—Budget~~
- ~~—Rough draft to CFR by Nov 20~~
- ~~—Submit by Dec 1~~

12. Progress on trendz article

- ~~—Choose questions~~
- ~~—Make tables and figures~~
- ~~—Outline text~~
- ~~—Work on appendix~~
- ~~—Goal by Dec 1: all tables and figures done and fully annotated~~

13. Progress on Guns paper

- ~~—Settle on frame~~
- Rewrite literature review
- Reorganize results

14. Progress on Latinas participation

- ~~—Reorg CCES + LNS data in order we discussed~~
- ~~—Congregations data~~
- ~~—Discuss frame~~

15. Progress on gender big hit

- ~~All data ready to go~~
- Memo out results, discuss
- Work on outline

16. ~~Progress on sexism and policy paper~~

- Email Katrine and Jill
- ~~Look at 2018 CCES + 2016 ANES data~~

17. Progress on women on boards

- ~~Read new cabinets book~~
- ~~Work on cleaning up and organizing data~~
- RA work on control variables
- Merge in control data from Rebecca + Melody
- Look at CA data pre-2018

18. ~~Review projects & reach out to coauthors for:~~

- List experiment
- Local financial distress + turnout
- ~~Local financial distress + incumbency~~
- Comparative stereotypes
- Welfare sermons
- Local guns
- Goal congruence
- Respectability politics
- ~~DAPL methods~~
- Gender violence and political violence
- ~~Intersectionality in political office~~
- Sexism and turnout
- ~~Pandemics~~
- ~~Climate change sermons~~
- ~~What's on the urban agenda~~

19. Submit conference abstracts for:

- ~~SPPC (intersectionality + boards)~~
- ~~EPSA (??? + goal congruence)~~
- ~~APSA (boards + ????)~~
- ~~Local news and democracy (by Nov 4th!) (where does local info come from)~~

20. ~~Submit Catt Prize~~

- ~~Adapt from LOI~~
- ~~Submit~~

~~21. Submit Packard Grant~~

~~— Call~~

~~— Pilot~~

~~— Submit~~