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Donate or Volunteer with the Greater Lansing Food Bank

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MSU Undergraduate Specialization in Bioethics, Humanities, and Society

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MA in Women's and Gender Studies at University of Southern Florida

Concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies at Syracuse University in Florence

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Florida

The Institute of Critical Social Inquiry Summer Seminars

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GenCen has an official **Page**, where we keep an active **calendar** of GenCen, MSU, and community events of gender/LGBTQ/feminist interest, as well as sharing posts on the same topics—please “like” us to stay up-to-date! If you have relevant events that you’d like us to add to our calendar, please let us know.

We also have an active **Facebook group**, which is a great way to see more posts on local, national, and international gender/LGBTQ/feminist-related interests, and is more informal than our monthly GenCen Digest in the types of things we share. It’s also a great way to network with other MSU and community members, and we encourage **any/all of our members** to post relevant content and comment on others’ posts!

GenCen Student Advising:

Walk-In Advising Hours (located in Room 206 International Center):

Undergraduate Walk-In Advising with Sara Bijani: Tuesdays, 10:00am-12:00pm; Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00pm

Graduate (GJEC, GSID) Walk-In Advising with Marisa Rinkus: Mondays, 10:00am-12:00pm

Graduate WGS Advising is by appointment only. Please email GenCen Co-Director **Stephanie Nawyn** (and cc gencen@msu.edu) to schedule an appointment.

Undergraduate Advising Appointments: To schedule an appointment with the Undergraduate GenCen advisor, please use MSU's online Student Success Dashboard **Advising Appointment System**. Login with your MSU netID and click the blue "Get Advising" button in the upper-right corner of the Student Success Dashboard homepage. Under "Reason," choose "Arts & Letters" and then "WGS." Select your desired appointment time and follow the appropriate steps to confirm. You and the advisor will both receive confirmation emails regarding your scheduled appointment. *[PLEASE NOTE: This system is officially "LIVE" as of the Fall 2016 Semester, but may experience technical difficulties. If you try to use this system and experience problems, please email gencenad@msu.edu directly to schedule an appointment.]*

Graduate GJEC, GSID Advising Appointments: Email Advisor **Marisa Rinkus** to schedule an appointment.

Graduate WGS Advising Appointments: Please email GenCen Co-Director **Stephanie Nawyn** (and cc gencen@msu.edu) to schedule an appointment.

GenCen-Sponsored Study Abroad Programs

GenCen administers and offers course credits in three Summer Study Abroad programs. The programs offered can be found through the **MSU Office of Study Abroad** website, and are linked below. Please contact the **GenCen Advisor** if you have any questions regarding how these programs may be used to fulfill requirements for the WGS Major, Minor, or LGBTQ Minor! If you have specific programmatic questions, please contact the program leaders directly.

Development and NGOs: Internships in Malawi

Gender, Sex, and Feminism in the UK

Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity & Sexual Politics in Amsterdam

Spring 2017 Internships coordinated through GenCen

Application Deadline: **November 15** (Electronic submissions are encouraged)

If you have an internship or community engagement requirement to fulfill for your major, GenCen offers internship coordination services and support to MSU undergraduate and graduate students interested in gender issues related to social justice, human rights, community development, reproductive health, domestic violence, and/or environmental health and justice. The internship is designed to help students explore gender-related career fields while gaining valuable hands-on experience at local, national or international organizations.

Internship Details:

*Work with our Internship Coordinator to find the right organization for you and to arrange for MSU credit

*Flexible schedules—Spring internships are typically 10 hours per week

*Advanced undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to apply

*Most internships are unpaid, however some offer work-study to eligible students. Students are encouraged to contact the GenCen internship coordinator to discuss upcoming scholarship opportunities.

For more information, including an application and lists of potential local, national, and international internship opportunities, please visit <http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/undergraduate-students/internships/>.

Inspirational Woman of the Year Award

Application Deadline: November 15

The Inspirational Woman of the Year Award recognizes the achievements of women staff and faculty affiliated with MSU (including main campus and all off-site and satellite campuses). The award highlights woman-identified individuals who demonstrate integrity, leadership, quality performance, integrative and inclusive action, and influence on campus and in the community. Three individuals will be honored—one per category of Professional Achievement, Community Engagement, and Culture of Empowerment.

Electronic submissions to gencen@msu.edu are highly encouraged. The **nomination packet** may be downloaded at GenCen's [website](#). Questions regarding the award and/or nomination process may be made to (517) 353-5040 or gencen@msu.edu.

Encounters with Octopus People: Consciousness-Raising on Everyday Assaults

November 14

4:45-6:15pm, 303 International Center

[Facebook event link](#)

On Oct 10 2016, author Kelly Oxford aimed to raise awareness about the ubiquity of sexual assaults by inviting “women: tweet me your first assaults,” followed by a brief description of her own (by a stranger on a bus when she was 12). Nearly 27 million people responded over the weekend. Although media coverage of assaults has increased in recent times, and awareness of the scope of the problem has grown, it is rare to come across public discussions regarding sexual aggressions of the nature that Donald Trump boasts of committing. In the words of victim Jessica Leeds, Trump went after her “like an octopus.” Although he denies the accusations and dismisses his own confessional evidence as “locker room talk,” many of us believe the women who have spoken up about these incidents, because so many of us have been targeted in similar ways in various circumstances, and never told a soul.

In an effort to create a space for members of our community to address some of their experiences, we are organizing a consciousness-raising event. We aim to enable each other to share our experiences of predatory encounters and “micro-assaults” so that we may better understand these moments from our own viewpoints, while also demonstrating how these are not isolated incidences, but in fact heartbreakingly common. With an emphasis on inter-generational amity, we hope to raise awareness among the student body in particular. Please join us to share your story, help erase stigma, build camaraderie, and demonstrate support.

Light refreshments provided. Questions? Email Juliet Guzzetta (guzzetta@msu.edu).

Co-Sponsors include the Center for Gender in Global Context, Department of English, Department of Sociology, MSU Safe Place, MSU Research Consortium on Gender-Based Violence, MSU Sexual Assault Program, Sexual Assault Crisis Intervention, and the Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence Prevention Program

Patriarchy and Displacement: An Anarchist Perspective on Community Organizing

November 15

6:00pm, 303 International Center

[Facebook event link](#)

We live in a world where more people than at any other time in history are displaced, ripped without consent from their homes, communities, and lives, and made disposable. Particularly at this historical moment, such

systemic barbarism is aimed at certain bodies: female, queer, people of color, people with disabilities, and the poor. In counterpoint, there is an emerging flowering globally of experiments with non-hierarchical forms of self-determination and self-organization, mutual aid and solidarity, and egalitarian social relations and commons. This talk and conversation will explore the marriage between patriarchy and displacement, honing in on our own power locally and collectively to counter disposability by building caring communities. Cindy Milstein, an anarchist writer and organizer, has been engaged in numerous grassroots struggles, contemporary social movements, and collective spaces. In the recent past, she resisted evictions, including her own home (Station 40, a feminist-queer anarchistic social center), and did anti-cop/antigentrification agitation in San Francisco's Mission, such as with Eviction Free SF and Coffee Not Cops, and continues that now in her home of Detroit, including with Detroit Eviction Defense and the Michigan Abolition Alliance. Cindy is author of *Anarchism and Its Aspirations*, coauthor of *Paths toward Utopia*, and editor of the anthologies *Taking Sides: Revolutionary Solidarity and the Poverty of Liberalism* and the forthcoming *Collective Works of Grief: Unsettling Loss, Reinhabiting Humanity*, and blogs at www.cbmilstein.wordpress.com.

Audrie & Daisy film screening and discussion session

November 17

6:00-8:30pm, 303 International Center

Facebook event link

Audrie & Daisy is a critically acclaimed documentary that shares the stories of two teenage sexual assault survivors. "In two towns on different sides of America, two teenage girls pass out while intoxicated at high school parties, and, while unconscious, both are sexually assaulted by boys they call their friends. In the aftermath, the girls each endure online harassment, both attempt suicide, and tragically, one girl dies. *Audrie & Daisy* explores this new public square of shame from the perspective of the teenagers and their families – including the boys involved in the assaults and the girls willing to speak out publicly for the first time." The screening will be followed by an opportunity for discussion. **MSU SACI** volunteers will be available for any attendees who may need to speak privately with them, due to the triggering nature of the content.

If you have any additional questions or would like to be involved in facilitating discussion, please feel free to contact Dessie Clark at clarkd53@msu.edu or Sudha Sankar at sankarsu@msu.edu.

Light refreshments will be provided. Co-sponsored by Research Consortium on Gender-Based Violence and Center for Gender in Global Context.

GenCen Colloquia Series: *New Research on Women and Gender - Global and Local Perspectives*

Fridays, 1:30-3:00pm, 303 International Center

November 18 (special location: 115 International Center), "*My Mom Planned Everything: An Examination of How Latinas Made Rural Work Meet Urban Needs in Michigan, 1940s-70s*", presented by Delia Fernandez, Department of History. This presentation examines the roles that Latinas played in maintaining their families' economic stability and meeting their social needs in West Michigan from the 1940s to the 1970s. As migrants from primarily Texas, Mexico, and Puerto Rico, Latinos found that they could not provide for their families through employment in just one industry. Instead, members of the same family would work in manufacturing, while others—usually mothers and children—toiled on Michigan fields to ensure that they had enough money to sustain themselves. While women were usually pegged as disposable employees, they used that position to become flexible workers who could facilitate the movement of themselves and their families into various industries. In addition, young women, in particular, often took on the task of finding and creating social events like dances in rural and urban areas to create fulfilling and exciting lives for themselves in an environment that did not have a plethora of familiar cultural resources. This work challenges the way that we understand Latino laborers and brings lived workers' experiences to the forefront.

January 20, (*Imposing?*) *Sex on the Brain*, presented by Robyn Bluhm, Department of Philosophy/Lyman Briggs College. Feminists interested in neuroscience face a Catch-22 in assessing research on sex differences. On the one hand, such research is frequently entangled with gender stereotypes and it is often used to

support problematic claims about women's and men's relative characteristics and abilities. On the other, the lack of attention to sex differences in clinical research has meant that women's health needs may go unmet. In this talk, I argue that one valuable way to approach this dilemma is to start with the more basic question of what it means to say that women's and men's brains are different. In doing so, I will draw on a recent study by the Israeli neuroscientist, Daphna Joel, which has prompted neuroscientists to begin addressing (or, perhaps more accurately, arguing over) exactly this question. I will show that the different answers on offer for this question have important implications for clinical neuroscience.

February 10, *From Beaches to Bathtubs: Women and Children in American Water History*, presented by Sara Fingal, Department of History/Lyman Briggs College

March 3, *The Social Context of Water Access and Affordability in Michigan*, presented by Jennifer Carrera, Department of Sociology

April 14, *Sustaining Community Capacity under Crisis: Flint's Civic Park Neighborhood*, presented by Louise Jezierski, James Madison College

Gender Write-In

December 2

1:00-4:00pm, 201 International Center

Come write in solidarity with fellow gender scholars the first Friday of every month from 1-4pm in room 201 of the International Center. The GenCen will provide a quiet space for faculty, staff, and students to escape from distractions and work on their scholarship. If you struggle to find space in your calendar to prioritize your writing, then consider this time as required attendance. Participants will need to provide their own laptop. GenCen will provide light refreshments.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Undergraduate and Graduate Language Fellowships (FLAS)

Application Deadline: February 10

The Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID) and the Center for Gender in Global Context are awarding US Department of Education FLAS Fellowships to support language study for students interested in fields related to development, such as global food and agriculture, the environment, livelihood strategies related to economics and/or governance, education or health disparities, conflict and conflict resolution, human rights, identity and representations. For more information, visit the [CASID website](#), or contact Jennifer Brewer at brewer13@msu.edu.

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MSU campus is now tobacco free

As part of our continuing efforts to create a healthier campus, MSU became a tobacco-free environment on August 15. The ordinance applies to all property governed by the Board of Trustees and includes not only main campus but also all MSU sites across the state, nation and globe. In addition to traditional tobacco products such as cigarettes and chewing tobacco, the ordinance also prohibits the use of e-cigarettes and vaporizers. All FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapy products are permitted for cessation use. The rationale for this transition rests largely on a fundamental concern for the health of the entire campus community. Decades of research confirm the negative effects of smoking, smokeless tobacco and environmental tobacco smoke. We are counting on all members of the MSU community to help with this important effort. Faculty and staff members will play a key role in helping us with this culture change. More information about the ordinance, including an FAQ and toolkits for faculty, staff and supervisors, can be found at <http://tobaccofree.msu.edu/>.

LGBT Resource Center Weekly Evening Activities

5:00-7:00pm, 302 Student Services Bldg

Mondays, Family Game Night

Join Staff and volunteers for a night of board games, telepictionary, Spaceteam, and a **Resource Center** staff favorite, Pictionary!

Tuesdays, Study Night

Bring your course readings, laptops, study materials, and headphones for a quiet and relaxing evening of studying in good company.

Wednesdays, Coloring and Chill

Help yourself to markers, colored pencils, and coloring books, or simply stop by to socialize with staff and other students.

MSU Sexual Assault Program: Healing Yoga Series

Thursdays through December 1, 3:30-4:30pm, Holden Hall

MSU SAP offers trauma-informed yoga practice for student survivors of sexual trauma. Classes are led by certified yoga instructors/Sexual Assault Program therapists. The series is a closed group—please contact Caroline Nelson (nelsonca@cc.msu.edu) for more information or to join.

MSU Sexual Assault Program: Survivor Workshop

Sundays through December 5, 6:30pm, Akers Hall

The student led group is open to all survivors of sexual assault who are currently MSU students. Learn ways to practice self-care and find support among peers. Please contact Amanda Taylor at amandat@cc.msu.edu for more information.

Healing Spaces

Monday, November 14 AND Tuesday, November 15

7:00-9:00pm, Lake Superior Room, MSU Union

Two debate-free healing [spaces for students](#) will focus on continued post-election processing in a smaller group environment. Both nights are sponsored by REHS and the Counseling Center with student groups Black Student Alliance (BSA), Alliance of Queer and Ally Students, and Culturas de las Razas Unidas (CRU).

Advancing Women in Business

November 15

5:00-7:30pm, Kellogg Center

As professional women, we seldom carve out time to focus on our own needs and priorities. MSU's Broad College of Business recognizes the power women have to encourage and inspire each other to make the most

out of our lives and our careers. Whether you're a high-powered executive or just beginning your career, the Advancing Women in Business event will help you to achieve your full potential. Join Broad alumni, MSU students, and friends of the college for an evening that will energize your personal and professional life. Additional details coming soon; there is no cost to attend, but advance registration is needed.

Academic Women's Forum Fall 2016 Sessions

To pre-register for any or all events, email health4u@msu.edu.

Join the Facebook Group! *All seminars, meetings and events are open to all.* The Academic Women's Forum has been created to provide a safe-space to connect, build community and explore issues that are relevant to the success, support and empowerment of all faculty, academic staff, post-docs, librarians and graduate students who identify as women at MSU. The Academic Women's Forum was co-created by the MSU Women's Resource Center (now WorkLife Office), University Physician/Health4U, Faculty & Organizational Development and Graduate Life & Wellness.

November 15, 3:30-5:00pm, W444 (Green Room), MSU Main Library

The Daring Way—Presentation and discussion facilitated by Certified Daring Way Facilitator Lisa Laughman (MSU Health4U/Employee Assistance Program) linking the teachings of Dr. Brené Brown to life as an academic woman at MSU.

November 29, 3:30-5:00pm, 1st floor Reference Instruction Room, MSU Main Library

Fishbowl Discussion with Dr. Naoko Wake (Assoc Professor in Lyman Briggs/History and recipient of Excellence in Diversity Award)—Hear from and ask questions about her experiences in higher education. *Fishbowl events will provide an opportunity to ask questions and interact with some of MSU's successful and inspirational women.

The Hunting Ground free film screening and discussion

November 16

6:00-9:00pm, 109 E Fee Hall (doors open 5:45pm)

Register at www.nasw-michigan.org

The Hunting Ground is a documentary that scrutinizes the gamut of sexual assaults at elite Ivy League, state universities, and small colleges, revealing an endemic system of institutional cover-ups, rationalizations, victim-blaming, and denial that creates perfect storm conditions for predators to prey with impunity. One in five women and one in sixteen men are sexually assaulted while in college.

Discussion Panel members: Tana Fedewa, LMSW, MSU Sexual Assault Program; Kimberly Hack, LMSW, End Violent Encounters (EVE); Jessica Norris, MSU Title IX and ADA Coordinator

Women's Networking Association Fall 2016 Series

The mission of the Women's Networking Association is to connect professional women across campus through meaningful and empowering relationships. Providing an opportunity for women to network and support one another is an essential step for building women's leadership at MSU and in the Greater Lansing community. Events are free and open to all. To RSVP to any events, email worklife@msu.edu or call (517) 353-1635.

November 16, 8:30-10:00am, 110 Chittenden Hall

Self-Branding through Personal Reflections, presented by Brenda Nelson, MA, Division of Residential and Hospitality Services. Brenda will help participants reflect on what their personal brand is and if it truly encapsulates who they are and how others perceive them. The session will use mindfulness, meditation, and music to discover how to connect with one another and to learn to define themselves. Participants will learn how to find their greatness and how to give voice to their authentic personal brands that will attract others and build relationships that are vital for creating a strong network.

Mujer A Mujer series

November 17, December 7

6:00-8:00pm, C136 Holden Hall

Mujer a Mujer is a group based on a mission to empower undergraduate women at the University level to help them develop academically and professionally through inspirational role models. For more info contact Danielle Lopez at floresd3@msu.edu or Erica Fiasky at fiaskye@msu.edu.

Understanding Racial Microaggressions and Coping Mechanisms among Latin@ College Students

Friday, November 18

11:30am, 200 S Kedzie

Maria Isabel Ayala is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology and the Chicano/Latino Studies Program at Michigan State University. Her research agenda examines the social impact that the unique and complex racialization of Latinos in the United States has on their social behavior. Challenging the assumption that there is a common Latino experience, Dr. Ayala argues that Latinos within group differential opportunities for social mobility are based on today's more fluid and yet, still hierarchical racial structure play a critical role in their differential educational attainment. Moreover, she explores the role of identities in changing these structures.

Refreshments will be provided. Co-sponsored by Chicano/Latino Studies and Department of Sociology

5th Annual Learning Abroad Conference

November 18

12:00-6:00pm, International Center

The Learning Abroad Conference is designed to give voice to students' stories through a variety of creative media so that fellow students and MSU faculty and staff may better understand the learning abroad experience. We encourage you to use this event as a motivator to help your students "unpack" their learning abroad experience in terms of personal and professional growth as well as global and intercultural learning. Presentations may be about US students' experiences on study abroad, international students' experiences of studying abroad at MSU (or elsewhere), and US students' experiences with international students at MSU (and vice versa).

Nominations for the International Awards Ceremony

Nomination Deadline: **December 14**

MSU's identity as a world grant university is built on the excellent work conducted by your faculty and colleges. Whether it's advancing international research, engaging and collaborating with communities, inspiring the next generation of global citizens, or cultivating new relationships on campus and around the world, we want to recognize those who strengthen MSU's international focus. The International Awards Ceremony, sponsored by International Studies and Programs, is your opportunity to recognize and share the international successes of the colleagues, community leaders, students, and alumni who are addressing the world's greatest challenges. To nominate someone in your department or college, visit isp.msu.edu/iac.

Fire Within: A New Generation of Chinese Women Artists Exhibit

Through February 12, 2017

Alan and Rebecca Ross Education Wing, Eli & Edythe Broad Art Museum

Fire Within: A New Generation of Chinese Women Artists focuses a critical lens on the artistic production of a group of highly talented, emerging women artists from China. Collectively, the artists in this exhibition investigate a wide-range of themes and issues, including the status of women in China; cultural and gender identity; interpersonal relationships; and more broad sociopolitical dynamics, both in China and beyond. Importantly, their probing investigations stir discussion and draw attention to their diverse and varied experiences. The generation of individuals born in China during the 1970s and after witnessed significant changes—including ideological, cultural, social, and in the domestic sphere—as a result of China's opening up to foreign markets and international exchange. These shifts have in turn motivated artists to experiment

within their own artistic practices in order to better understand the struggles and conflicts they encounter both privately and publicly. Following this line of inquiry, *Fire Within* brings together fresh perspectives and approaches to traditional mediums with the intent to reveal the new forms of consciousness that have emerged in recent years. Taken together, the works on display transcend gender and cultural differences, instead tapping into a more universal sense of human nature. Curated by Adjunct Curator Dr. Wang Chunchen in collaboration with Steven L. Bridges, Broad MSU Assistant Curator.

Microaggressions Macroimpact: Take a Stand against Microaggressions

In response to growing social justice issues of race, gender, sexual orientation, ability, etc., Residence Halls Association has launched its campaign, *Microaggressions Macroimpact*. The primarily student-run initiative will focus on educating the campus community on microaggressions, and encouraging our fellow Spartans to create events, discussions, and initiatives on the impact our words have on one another. With consent, the photo campaign will highlight the faces and stories of students who deal with exclusion and prejudice on a daily basis. Look for their #WeAreAllSpartans on social media. For more information and to find out how you can help, visit their [website](#).

Be a Part of Sexuality & Gender Research through the LGBT Research Center's Web Resources!

The LGBT Resource Center gets several requests to send research opportunities out to our listserv. Rather than sending out multiple annoying emails, we have centralized all of our research opportunities in one place on our website. We currently have opportunities to participate in the following research projects:

- LGB Healthcare Service Experiences
- LGBTQ Women's Career Planning
- Identity Indexes in Female Speech

If you have questions about a particular posting, contact the person listed.

Student Rights – Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA) *How to Restrict MSU People Search Info*

MSU maintains student education records and is responsible for their access to and release in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). It is the policy of the University to comply with FERPA.

Michigan State University Access to Student Information is printed in the **Academic Programs catalog**.

Students can request that their information be restricted by filling out a form, available at the registrar's [website](#). Visit this website to find other informational links regarding FERPA, both specifically for students and for general information.

State News Article of Interest: *Three Women Engineers Receive First Place in Respective Competitions*

Every year, the American Institute for Chemical Engineers releases a national design problem. Students have 30 days to work on it for their senior capstone course. At the end of the semester, the best designs are chosen for submission to the national competition.

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Other News and Events

Lansing Area AIDS Network 2016 Red Ribbon Gala

November 11

6:00-10:00pm, Kellogg Center, 219 S Harrison Rd, East Lansing, MI

The Lansing Area AIDS Network (LAAN) will host its 12th Annual Red Ribbon Gala Auction and Dinner on Friday, November 11, 2016. This year the agency observes 31 years of HIV care and prevention services which have been provided in the Greater Lansing Area since 1985. The event focuses on the manner in which the agency has impacted lives and attends to its message of Memory and Hope. LAAN also proudly announces that the 2016 Red Ribbon Gala will mark the incorporation of our Volunteer Recognition event towards allowing that well-deserved recognition to become more public.

***Free* Family Saturdays at the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame**

1:00-3:00pm, 213 W Malcolm X St, Lansing MI

November 12—Suffragist Theme

December 10—Holiday Theme

Soulfire 2017: The Firecracker Foundation Gallery Reveal

November 12

6:30-9:00pm, Eagle Eye Golf Club, 15500 Chandler Rd, Bath, MI 48808

Twelve survivors of sexual trauma bravely volunteered to share their personal experiences of sexual trauma in a calendar of powerful images to raise funds to provide therapeutic services to our community's youngest survivors. You are invited to a special gallery reveal of the photographic art created in celebration of survival. They make clear the importance of a healthy, supportive community for people who have experienced sexual trauma. Wear your finest cocktail attire and toast in solidarity at the cash bar. You'll leave with your very own copy of the Soulfire 2017 calendar and the knowledge that you just sparked healing for children and teens in your hometown. Space is limited. Get your tickets today! <http://bit.ly/Soulfire2017>.

Tales about Home: Music and Stories of Displaced Persons

November 13

6:00-9:00pm, Cook Recital Hall, 333 W. Circle Dr. East Lansing, MI 48824

Refugee Outreach Kalamazoo's (ROK) MSU Chapter is hosting their first event, a story-telling concert with a reception following. Come join us in East Lansing for a night of captivating stories of displacement from students, volunteers in a refugee camp, people who have dedicated their lives to the global migration crisis and more. While the event is free, donations are appreciated! Please contact ROK at rokmsu@gmail.com and <http://www.rokyourworld.org/>.

Broad Wellness: Creative Self-Care

November 20

11:00am-1:00pm, Broad Art Museum

Transform everyday stress into well-being by moving with beauty. The Creative Self-Care experience is instructed by Heather Vaughan-Southard and uses pilates therapy and somatic dance to create a grounding sense in one's body and offer tools for authentic expression through movement. Bodies and movers of all kinds and levels encouraged. Heather is the Director of Health and Education services for Happendance, a dance-service organization which partners with local school districts, hospitals, and social organizations.

Survivor Circle Student Group

November 23, December 7

5:15-6:30pm, UM-Flint Women's Educational Center, 213 University Center, Flint, MI 48502

Drop-ins welcome, no appointment or sign-up is necessary. All student survivors are welcome regardless of gender identity. This is a safe space for sharing, healing, growth, and empowerment of survivors. Sharing experiences and talking in the group are not required. For more information contact Molly Barnard, Program Manager & Sexual Assault Advocate at (810) 237-6648, (810) 424-5343 or mollybar@umflint.edu.

Be Beauty Open Mic

December 1

7:00-8:30pm, The Robin Theatre, 1105 S Washington Ave, Lansing, MI 48910

Be Beauty is presented by La Puente with partner EVE (End Violent Encounters). Doors open at 6:30pm, performances at 7pm with a \$5 cover. The theme "Be You. Be Beauty. Be Lansing." invites a celebration of life with fine arts, cultural arts, and languages. Dance, music, poetry, and world traditions are welcome to the stage. Truly, the series should offer "good medicine" amidst a challenging time in our world. Special-guest performers for November include Ruelaine Stokes (Lansing Poetry Series) and DANCE Lansing Community Dance Project (Happendance). Advance sign-up from the public is encouraged due to limited spots. For details, please email lapuentasustain@gmail.com or message **La Puente** on Facebook.

Broad Family Days

First Saturdays of the Month

12:00-4:00pm, Broad Art Museum

The Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum offers monthly Family Days both inside and outside of the museum walls. On the first Saturday of every month (excluding major holiday weekends), families with children of all ages can enjoy making art with professional teaching artists, family targeted museum tours and a variety of interactive activities in our expansive education wing. These events are free and open to the public.

Altered Tour: Your Place at the Fire

December 9

7:00-9:00pm, Broad Art Museum

Be part of the Fire Within, currently on view at the Broad MSU. Your thoughts, stories, and actions will complete the work of artist Lin Ran who attempts to shed light on the complicated nature of gender and sexual identification. Her work, Island, is an expanding collection of personal experiences that together tell the story of a community. Contribute to this story by bringing your own written experience on a piece of plain white paper. You can read it aloud or quietly add it to the growing number of voices.

Women's Center of Greater Lansing Support Groups

ALL GROUPS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONFIRM AND ENROLL BY CALLING THE WOMEN'S CENTER

Domestic Violence Support Group, **Saturdays, 12:00-1:30pm**

Support group for women experiencing intimate partner violence. Confidential and no cost. Please call for more information.

Sexual Assault Support Group, **Mondays, 6:30-8:00pm**

Contact the Women's Center of Greater Lansing by **email** or phone, (517) 372-9163, for more information.

Trans Together Support Group, **Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00pm**

A free support group for adults (18+) who are questioning their gender identity, who identify as trans, or who have a non-binary gender identity are invited to join together to discuss relevant topics, locate resources, and find support in embracing your truth and your journey.

Hope and Healing: A Support Group for Teen Girls, **Wednesdays, 3:00-4:30pm**

A **free** healing and supportive group for teen girl sexual abuse survivors. Sexual abuse is any kind of showing or touching of private parts that is unwanted, or being forced, manipulated or coerced to do something sexual. We meet in a cozy group room with couches and snacks to ensure everyone feels comfortable. After a sexual assault you likely feel a mix of emotions including fear, shame, sadness, anger, and loneliness. This

group provides a safe place to come and meet with others who understand what you are going through. The group helps you deal with these emotions while celebrating your strength and survival skills. You get the unique opportunity to share and support other girls who have been through similar situations. Topics we may cover include: ~ How abuse affects self-esteem ~ Choosing who and how to tell ~ Acknowledging survival tools ~ Healthy relationships ~ Building support ~ Physical and emotional healing ~ Growing stronger and moving forward. *Do I Have to Share?* We ask that each girl share their name and age and how they knew or did not know their abuser. As far as sharing more, it is completely up to you. *Is it Confidential?* **Your information with us is entirely confidential.** The only exception are things that fall under state mandatory reporting guidelines (like someone being abused or planning on harming themselves). We respect everyone's privacy and maintain trust in the group and ask all members to do the same.

Mindful Yoga Therapy Group, **Thursdays, 5:45-7:00pm**

Mindful Yoga is an informed, clinically-tested program developed to work with people who have experienced trauma and other health issues. Family members and support persons are welcome. No prior yoga experience is needed. These are drop-in, donation-based classes and chairs/modifications are available. For more information on the program, visit www.catalystwarrior.com.

Great Girls in Michigan History Exhibit

Through February 2017, Michigan Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame, 213 W Malcolm X St, Lansing

Michigan girls do great things. In this exhibit you will meet 9 girls from different eras, with different dreams, from across the state of Michigan who all accomplished something amazing before the age of 20. It was not always easy for these girls; most had significant obstacles to overcome to reach their goals. Visitors will leave knowing what qualities Great Girls possess and inspired to reach their own dreams. This is appropriate for visitors of all ages. **Admission:** \$3.00 adults; \$2.00 students (6-18 yrs); Free for children under 5. **Hours:** Wednesday-Saturday 12:00-4:00pm and the 1st Sunday of every month 2:00-4:00pm. The Center is closed on major holiday weekends. Flexible times are available with advance group reservations.

Get Involved with the Firecracker Foundation!

You can honor the bravery of children who have survived sexual trauma with your actions.

Invest, Advocate, or Volunteer today!

Donate to the Women's Center of Greater Lansing

"Since the Women's Center of Greater Lansing opened its doors in 2005, we have remained the only nonprofit organization in the Lansing area that provides essential services to enable women to be successful. Our mission is to guide, empower, and heal women. What makes us unique is HOW we do what we do. All of our services are offered on a one-to-one basis. No one is turned away, even those that can't pay. We are extremely grateful for our donors who contribute supplies year after year, but this year we are specifically seeking cash donations.

Your donation will help us provide these fundamental services for our clients:

- **Employment.** We uncover potential, help with resumes, job search tools, interview skills, and training.
- **Computer lab.** Reserved for job seekers with up-to-date software so they develop competitive skills.
- **Essential resources.** Our professional clothes closet offers confidence boosting clothing and accessories; our personal care and feminine hygiene closet provides women with hard-to-afford daily products and wigs to the women who are undergoing cancer treatment.
- **Counseling.** Our team of counselors help women cope with unemployment, loss, anxiety, divorce, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, child abuse, cancer and other soul-crushing traumas.
- **Support groups.** We cover a variety of topics such as: Healthy Relationships and Domestic Violence, Disability, Cars 101, Empowerment, Financial Independence, Caregiver Support, Learning To Let Go, Work Your Image, Healthy Communication, Anxiety and much more.
- **Safety.** We help women get out of abusive relationships safely."

Donate or Volunteer with the Greater Lansing Food Bank

The Greater Lansing Food Bank (GLFB) is a nonprofit organization that provides emergency food to individuals and families in need in Ingham, Eaton, Clinton, Shiawassee, Clare, Isabella and Gratiot counties. Food is distributed through an extensive network of food pantries and community kitchens located throughout the region. GLFB annually serves tens of thousands of people, many of them seniors and children. Our recipients also include the “working poor”, those individuals who are employed but don’t earn enough to meet housing, health, transportation and food needs. Services provided by the GLFB: Emergency food orders, which include enough non-perishable food to last a needy family for six days; Support to home and community gardeners, which includes providing seeds, plant starts and tools; Mobile food distributions. **How to help the hungry in our community:** A donation of \$60 feeds a family of four for six days. Food assistance is needed throughout the year, not just during the holidays. You can also help the GLFB by: Distributing donation envelopes at your organization’s meetings, in your workplace or at your place of worship; Organizing a **food drive** in your neighborhood, at your local school or where you work; Becoming a **volunteer**; **Donating** by credit card on our secure site or over the phone at (517) 853-7800.

Help The Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame Earn Cash by Shopping at Kroger with a Plus Card and/or through Amazon Smile

The Michigan Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame can earn reward points every time you use your **Kroger Plus Card**. Signing up is free and only takes a few minutes. Plus, you can earn points for yourself to save money on groceries and fuel. Once you’re signed up, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and use your Kroger Plus Card when checking out. If you have any questions about this process or need help signing up, call office manager Samantha Cumbow at (517) 484-1880, Ex. 203.

Your online shopping can also help support the Michigan Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame. Visit <http://smile.amazon.com/> and search for Michigan Women’s Studies Association next time you’re ready to make a purchase and 0.05% of the proceeds of your purchase will automatically be contributed.

Fox 47 News Article of Interest: “End Violent Encounters earns 'Purple Purse' award”

“The group, End Violent Encounters, has worked to educate people about how financial abuse traps victims in a violent relationship. That’s why it was awarded with a 'Purple Purse' on Wednesday by the All-State Foundation. Senator Debbie Stabenow accepted it on the group’s behalf.”

AJ+ Video/Article of Interest: “First openly transgender person has just been elected to the Philippines parliament”

“People look beyond the gender and they look at what you have to offer, what’s in your heart. That is what’s important.”

Buzzfeed News Article of Interest: “Obama Signs Bill Guaranteeing New Rights for Rape Victims”

“The Sexual Assault Survivors’ Rights Act was inspired by Amanda Nguyen, a woman who told Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, a Democrat from New Hampshire, her story about having to scramble every six months to prevent police from destroying her rape kit.”

Additional Reading from The New York Times: Obama signs law guaranteeing survivors of sexual assault basic federal rights

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Conferences and Workshops

National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference: *Decoloniality*

November 10-13, Montreal, Quebec

Decoloniality is a worldview that denaturalizes settler colonial logics and structuring violences. Coloniality and settler governance are transnational in scope and include territorial occupation, conquest, removal, economic exploitation, resource extraction, displacement, and dehumanization. Settler colonialism is also a way of knowing that permeates institutions, including education, the law, science, economics, politics, and religion. Decoloniality disrupts and departs from settler logics, structures, myths, stories, archives, institutions, affects, embodiments, aesthetics, desires, ontologies, categories, cartographies, and politics. It has a long, diverse genealogy and can be understood as an ongoing process of co-resistance and alliance. As an approach to thought and action, decolonial work exposes how coloniality is not "past": simultaneously, it traces forms of critical and creative resistance and shows possibilities for (and the necessity of) decolonial being/ knowing/ loving/ resisting/ creating (L. Simpson 2015).

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Calls for Papers and Proposals

Journal of Lesbian Studies: Special Issue on Lesbians and Comics

Proposal submission deadline: **December 2**

Comics have been an important locus of lesbian identity, community, and politics for generations. Accordingly, this special issue will explore the intersection of lesbians and comics. What role have comics played in the cultural construction, social visibility, and political advocacy of same-sex female attraction and identity?

Likewise, how have these features changed over time? What is the relationship between lesbian comics and queer comics? In what ways does lesbian identity differ from queer female identity in comics, and what role has the medium played in establishing this distinction as well as blurring, reinforcing, or policing it?

Discussions of comics from all eras, countries, and styles are welcome. Likewise, we encourage examinations of comics from not simply literary, artistic, and visual perspectives, but from social, economic, educational, and political angles as well. Please send 2-page proposals, formatting using MLA style, to abate.30@osu.edu. Full-length versions of essays (ranging from 5000 to 7000 words) chosen for inclusion in the special issue will be due April 1st, 2017.

Women, Gender, and Families of Color

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Women, Gender, and Families of Color (WGFC) invites submissions for upcoming issues. WGFC, available in libraries through Project MUSE and JSTOR, is a multidisciplinary journal that centers the study of Black, Latina/o, Indigenous, and Asian American women, gender, and families. Within this framework, the journal encourages theoretical and empirical research from history, the social and behavioral sciences, and humanities including comparative and transnational research, and analyses of domestic social, cultural, political, and economic policies and practices. The journal has a rolling submission policy and welcomes manuscripts and proposals for guest-edited special issues, and book reviews at any time. Manuscripts accepted for review receive an editorial decision within an average of 45-60 days.

Gendered Perspectives on International Development Working Papers

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Gendered Perspectives on International Development (GPID) Working Papers publishes scholarly work on global social, political, and economic change and its gendered effects in developing nations. *GPID* crosscuts disciplines, bringing together research, critical analyses, and proposals for change. Our previous series, the *WID Working Papers* (1981-2008), was among the first scholarly publications dedicated to promoting research on the links between international development and women and gender issues. In this tradition, *GPID* recognizes diverse processes of international development and globalization, and new directions in scholarship on gender relations. The goals of *GPID* are: 1) to promote research that contributes to gendered analysis of social change; 2) to highlight the effects of international development policy and globalization on gender roles and gender relations; and 3) to encourage new approaches to international development policy and programming. *GPID Working Papers* are article-length manuscripts (9000-word maximum) by scholars from a broad range of disciplines, disseminating materials at a late stage of formulation that contribute new understandings of women's and men's roles and gender relations amidst economic, social, and political change. Individual papers in the series address a range of topics, such as: gender, violence, and human rights; gender and agriculture; reproductive health and healthcare; gender and social movements; masculinities and development; and the gendered division of labor. We particularly encourage manuscripts that bridge the gap between research, policy, and practice. If you are interested in submitting a manuscript to the *GPID Working Papers* series, please send a 150-word abstract summarizing the paper's essential points and findings to Kelly Birch, Managing Editor, at papers@msu.edu. If the abstract suggests your paper is suitable for the *GPID Working Papers*, the full paper will be invited for peer review and publication consideration. Please note that authors retain the copyright to their papers and are encouraged to publish their papers in other journals.

QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking ventures to bring together scholars, activists, public intellectuals, policy makers, artists, and other cultural producers to explore issues that matter to the diverse lived experience, struggle, and transformation of GLBTQ peoples wherever they may be. With an emphasis on worldmaking praxis, *QED* mobilizes public argument, theory, criticism, and history through its published essays, commentaries, interviews, roundtable discussions, and event, performance, and book review. The journal is published three times per year. Submission guidelines can be found on the [website](#).

Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal is an academic, refereed journal published exclusively on the internet, and devoted to scholarly debate on gender-related issues in Judaism. The ultimate aim of the journal is to promote the reconceptualization of the study of Judaism, by acknowledging and incorporating the roles played by women, and by encouraging the development of alternative research paradigms. Cross-methodological and interdisciplinary, the journal does not promote a fixed ideology, and welcomes a variety of approaches. See the link above for submission citation and formatting guidelines. What to submit: articles; essays; short notes; book, film and theatre reviews; conference proceedings and bibliographies from all disciplines in the humanities and social sciences. The editors reserve the right to edit manuscripts with respect to length and content; however, any substantial changes will be made in consultation with the author. Previously published materials are also considered. However, it is the author's responsibility to obtain the copyright permission. Authors are welcome to include images and/or pictures with their submission. Copyright issues for these should be cleared by the authors before submission. *Women in Judaism* usually publishes within twelve months. Every effort is made to shorten the publication schedule. Authors are encouraged to inquire about the status of their submissions periodically. Prior to the publication date, authors will be required to sign a copyright agreement with Women in Judaism Inc. This copyright agreement grants *Women in Judaism* the exclusive rights to publish the work on the internet. *Women in Judaism* is a nonpaying market.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse (TVA) is devoted to synthesizing, expanding, and organizing knowledge on all forms of trauma, violence and abuse. It is dedicated to professionals and advanced students who work in all forms of trauma, violence and abuse and is intended to compile knowledge that impacts practice, policy, and research. A practitioner-oriented journal, *TVA* publishes review manuscripts which cover a body of empirical research, legal case studies, or theoretical/conceptual ideas affecting practice, policy, and research. *TVA* does not publish case studies nor reports of individual research studies. *TVA* accepts comprehensive reviews of research, legal cases, or conceptual and theoretical developments in any aspect of trauma, violence or abuse. Each manuscript must begin with a clear description of the knowledge area that is being researched or reviewed and its relevance to understanding or dealing with trauma, violence, or abuse. Each review manuscript must also provide a clear discussion of the limits of the knowledge which has been reviewed, and must include two summary tables; one of critical findings and the other listing implications of the review for practice, policy, and research. The tables must accompany submission. Manuscripts should be prepared in APA style and may be up to forty typed double-spaced pages in length. All manuscripts are peer reviewed and should be submitted with a letter indicating that the material has not been published elsewhere and is not under review at another publication. Manuscripts should be submitted electronically to <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/tva> where authors will be required to set up an online account on the SageTrack system powered by ScholarOne. Inquiries may be made by email at contej@u.washington.edu.

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Positions and Internships

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in Interdisciplinary Feminist Studies, San Francisco State University

Application Deadline: **November 14**

San Francisco State University, Department of Women and Gender Studies invites applicants for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in interdisciplinary feminist studies beginning August 2017. The department seeks individuals with expertise in either (a) critical disability or crip studies or (b) transfeminisms (encompassing transgender, transsexual, genderqueer topics), each with a specialization in race, colonialism and nationalism. We particularly seek scholars whose research challenges parameters of the normative, and whose work engages with the mutually constitutive production of differences. Women and Gender Studies at SFSU is a growing department that offers an undergraduate major and minor, and a graduate Master's degree. Viewing the production of knowledge about gender as itself political, the department seeks, in its research, teaching, and community building, to explore both gender's embeddedness in current forms of injustice as well as its past and emergent potential for transformative politics. For more information on the department, please see <http://wgsdept.sfsu.edu/about>.

Gender Studies Inclusive Excellence Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Santa Clara University

Application Deadline: **December 1**

The Department of Women's and Gender Studies at Santa Clara University, a Jesuit, Catholic university, invites applications for an Inclusive Excellence Post-Doctoral Fellowship beginning Fall 2017. The goal of the inclusive excellence post-doctoral fellowship program at Santa Clara University is to support the early development of teaching scholars who are from historically underrepresented groups. We seek a scholar working in the area of Science, Technology, and Society as it intersects with gender and race in the United States. We are particularly interested in candidates with a social science background. Applicants must have a PhD in Women's Studies or a related field, a strong scholarly trajectory, and experience teaching undergraduates. We seek balance between teaching and scholarship and are interested in candidates with a passion for both.

Chairperson/Associate or Full Professor in Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies, University of Kansas

Review of applications begins **November 16**

The successful chairperson candidate will qualify for a tenured appointment at the rank of Full or advanced Associate Professor with research and teaching expertise in the field of women, gender, and sexuality studies (research specialization is open). The position requires a strong record of significant scholarly achievement, as evidenced by an established program of research with the promise of continued productivity. The candidate should also demonstrate a commitment to and experience in academic administrative roles, including the ability to communicate effectively, manage interpersonal relations, and contribute to a collegial work and learning environment. Additionally, the candidate should exhibit teaching excellence and mentorship at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The faculty member will conduct research leading to publications and external funding; teach courses and mentor students; perform academic advising responsibilities; and engage in departmental, College, University, and national service. The University of Kansas is also interested in hiring faculty members who can contribute to the climate of diversity in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and four key campus-wide strategic initiatives of Harnessing Information, Multiplying Knowledge, Building Communities, and Expanding Opportunities. See www.provost.ku.edu/planning/themes/ for more information.

Sexuality Studies Assistant Professor, San Francisco State University

Applications accepted until position is filled.

San Francisco State University, Department of Sociology and Sexuality Studies invites applicants for a tenure-track, Assistant Professor Position in the discipline of Sexuality Studies, with expertise in Women's Sexual and Reproductive Health. This position begins in August 2017. The mission of Sexuality Studies is to advance

multidisciplinary teaching, research, and advocacy in sexuality studies, sexual literacy, well-being and social justice. We provide students with knowledge about processes and variations in sexual cultures, sexual identity and gender role formation, and the social, cultural, historical, and ethical foundations of sexuality, intimate relationships, and sexual health. The department has a long commitment to community building and focuses on issues of social justice and sexuality, including the impact of factors of social inequality—such as poverty, racism, marriage equality, and homophobia—upon sexual well-being and sexual health across the lifespan. We offer a Master's Degree in Sexuality Studies, a Minor in Sexuality Studies and a Minor in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies. San Francisco State University is a pioneer in sexuality teaching and research in the United States with a fifty-year history of advocating and teaching sexuality education, sexual literacy and social justice for all people.

Asst, Assoc or Full Professor of Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies, Washington University St. Louis

Applications accepted until position is filled.

The Department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies seeks a scholar trained in social science methods whose research is non-US based. We particularly encourage applications from candidates whose work focuses on the global south and is interdisciplinary in nature; transnational expertise is also welcome. Candidates must have completed the PhD in gender and sexuality studies or a social science-related field, including anthropology, economics, geography, political science, psychology, or sociology, by July 1, 2017 and be eligible to work in the United States. Candidates at the Associate and full Professor rank must have a distinguished record of publication in the field. The duties of this position include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses; conducting research and other scholarly activities, including publishing in scholarly journals; and performing departmental and university service and other duties assigned by the University. The normal teaching load is 2/2. Diversity and inclusion are core values of Washington University, and the successful candidate will demonstrate the ability to create inclusive classrooms and environments in which a diverse array of students learn and thrive. The Department has a vibrant undergraduate major and minor, and a strong and expanding graduate certificate program. We currently have a core faculty of eight, and affiliated faculty across the humanities, in anthropology and sociology, and in law and social work. The department's research strengths include race, gender and cultural studies, sexuality studies, and feminist and queer theory. Applicants should submit a letter of interest describing their scholarly qualifications and research; current curriculum vitae; teaching statement detailing their approach to teaching and to creating diverse and inclusive learning environments; and three (3) letters of recommendation to wgss@wustl.edu. Questions may be directed to Professor Andrea Friedman, Search Committee Chair, at afriedman@wustl.edu.

Safe Center Sexual Assault Advocate

Applications accepted until position is filled.

The duties of the sexual assault advocate include, but are not limited to providing crisis intervention, emergency response, emotional support and information and referral to victims of sexual assault outside the content of IPV and their significant others/secondary victims, provide advocacy and supportive services to clients and their dependent children, including but not limited to, practical assistance, information about crime victims compensation benefits, provide information about the legal/civil justice systems, and provide information and emergency shelter if needed. Licensed Master's Degree in social work, psychology, or counseling (or eligible to obtain license); Previous experience and training preferred on the dynamics of sexual assault outside the context of IP; Previous experience and training in the provision of counseling, crisis intervention, and group dynamics. Please contact safecenter@thesafecenter.org.

Safe Center Legal Advocate

Applications accepted until position is filled.

The duties of the legal advocate include, but are not limited to: provides advocacy, information and education to residential and non-residential clients and the community. Services include, but are not limited to PPO

Assistance, criminal justice advocacy and advocacy, supportive services and life skills education and referrals for adults and children. Provide leadership and training to community systems on responding to domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking victims. Minimum of bachelor's degree in criminal justice, social work, counseling and/or related human services field; Minimum of 2 years of experience providing direct services to domestic and/or sexual violence survivors; Experience with women's issues desired; Must possess a sophisticated knowledge of the criminal justice system and an ability to be able to advocate for clients within that system. Please contact safecenter@thesafecenter.org.

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Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Conference Presentations

Application Deadline: **Rolling**

The Center for Gender in Global Context will be awarding a number of travel grants up to \$300 to support graduate students who will be delivering papers or other presentations on research related to Women's and Gender Studies at academic conferences. A student may only apply for this grant once per academic year, and preference will be given to those who have not previously won awards. These funds should supplement support from the student's home department. Students must apply prior to travel. The student must be registered for at least one credit in the semester that funding is awarded. Applications must include evidence that a paper/presentation has been accepted at an academic conference, a current CV, a letter of support from the student's advisor, evidence of support from student's home department, and an estimated budget of costs to be incurred. Please email all materials to gencen@msu.edu in either Word or PDF format. Hard copies can be sent to the GenCen office in the International Center if preferred.

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Research Collection

Application Deadline: **Rolling**

The Center for Gender in Global Context will be awarding a number of travel grants up to \$500 to support graduate students whose major research focus is Women's and Gender studies, and who will be traveling to conduct preliminary exploratory research in advance of writing a dissertation grant proposal. Students may only apply and be awarded once in their graduate career. Students must apply prior to travel. The student must be registered for at least one credit in the semester that funding is awarded. Applications must include a cover letter describing the student's graduate program and project, a current CV, a letter of support from the student's advisor, evidence of support from student's home department, and an estimated budget of costs to be incurred. Please email all materials to gencen@msu.edu in either Word or PDF format. Hard copies can be sent to the GenCen office in the International Center if preferred.

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Study Opportunities

Spring 2017 MSU Courses of Interest:

ANP 859, 002: Gender, Justice & Environmental Change: Methods & Application. W 10:20am-1:10pm, professor Lucero Radonic, radonicl@msu.edu. This course explores epistemological and methodological issues involved in conducting research on gender, the environment, and social justice in the US and internationally. Students will learn about ways in which gender, justice, and ethical issues can be taken into account in field and research methods. The course also addresses issues students may encounter doing fieldwork/research but which are seldom voiced or addressed in classes. These include issues of positionality and personal, social, and political circumstances in the field or research site that may affect the implementation of the study.

FLM 452, 001: Film, Gender, & Sexuality. M 4:10-7:00pm, W 4:10-6:00pm, professor Ellen McCallum, emc@msu.edu. Central concerns of the course will include the relation between women's cinema practice and feminist film theory; the connection of film form to the representation or expression of identity and desire; the politics and possibilities of an avant-garde then and now; and a greater understanding of the influence of psychoanalysis on feminist film work.

HST 201, 006: Historical Methods & Skills – Docile Women, Loyal Warriors, & Other Myths of Old Japan. M, W 3:00-4:30pm, professor Ethan Segal, segale@msu.edu. This class is exclusively focused on issues of gender in pre-modern Japan. We will read some fascinating translated primary source documents, including romantic literature, diaries that reveal that underside of life at court, and warrior accounts of medieval battle.

HST 850, 002: Seminar in Comparative History: Sexuality, Health, & Illness. M 4:10-7:00pm, professor Naoko Wake, wake@msu.edu. The topic is the history of sexuality, health, and illness, and the course is comparative in that it explores the US, Japanese, Korean, and Chinese histories in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The course will be useful for students studying medical anthropology, not to mention those in women, gender, sexuality studies.

WRA 891, Rhetorics of Visual & Graphic Media. M 6:00-8:50pm, professor Dianna Baldwin, baldw145@msu.edu. Comics are one of the most influential forms of media, and have been for decades. In this course, our main focus will be on comics, and the nature of the class will be exploratory. We will examine the cultural meaning making (the rhetoric) of comics as well as other graphic media forms (graphic novels, propaganda, advertising) with a specific focus on gender. This will include learning the basic history of the medium as well as reading and examining lots of comics, graphic novels, and other graphic media forms.

The Institute of Critical Social Inquiry Summer Seminars

Application Deadline: December 15

The Institute for Critical Social Inquiry (ICSI) at the New School for Social Research is pleased to announce that we are now accepting applications for our 2017 Summer Seminars (June 11 - 17, 2017). Advanced graduate students and faculty are eligible to apply. ICSI offers advanced graduate students and faculty from around the world the opportunity to spend a week at the New School's campus in Greenwich Village, working closely with some of the most distinguished thinkers shaping the course of contemporary social inquiry. The Institute is founded on the premise that responding to current and emergent problems requires developing our collective capacities to formulate new and better questions, rather than relying on the application of all too familiar ready-made theories. Our themes are mobile and responsive, joining conceptual labor with pressing political concerns in our times, in an effort to understand and act upon better that which is emergent on our collective horizons. The Institute offers a unique and intensive opportunity for fellows to pursue this charge in one of the three week-long seminars designed to cultivate styles of thinking and conceptual vocabularies that address the disparate sites and unequal conditions in which we live.

MSU Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender

The Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender is designed for completion by either Master's or doctoral students. The graduate specialization in Women and Gender is designed to foster the study of women and

gender across disciplines and national borders, provide opportunities for graduate students to obtain a comprehensive, cross/interdisciplinary academic experience in women and gender, and to foster the growth of interdisciplinary research and teaching on women and gender. Emphasis is given to understanding the diversity of women's lives nationally and globally. The graduate specialization is open to graduate students with adequate undergraduate preparation in women and gender. The specialization should complement advanced, discipline-based degrees by providing an interdisciplinary, feminist component.

MSU Undergraduate Minor in Defense Studies & Leadership

The new minor in Defense Studies and Leadership is now available for enrollment. This minor is open to all undergraduates. The minor is administered by the Department of History, with Emily Tabuteau as advisor. She can be contacted at tabuteau@msu.edu. Students who want to talk before deciding whether to take on the minor should also email the advisor to set up a time to meet.

MSU Undergraduate Minor in Bioethics, Humanities, and Society

This program strives to serve students who seek to broaden their understanding of health and healing by drawing on several disciplinary perspectives, including philosophy, history, literature, anthropology, sociology, and others. We commonly find that, among others, many pre-professional students (pre-nursing, pre-dental, pre-medical, and pre-public health) are interested in our program.

MA in Women's History at Sarah Lawrence College

This program is intellectually challenging and highly focused. It introduces students to the growing historical literature on women, feminist theory, and research methods and resources in the field.

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at University of Southern Florida

The mission of the Department of Women's and Gender Studies at the University of South Florida is feminist undergraduate and graduate education, research, and practice for social justice by engaging students in the discovery and production of knowledge that emerges from feminist perspectives on culture and society.

Concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies at Syracuse University in Florence

Syracuse University in Florence is happy to announce the expansion of its academic concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies, which now offers 9 upper-division courses cross-listed in both Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Studies (LGBT) and Women's and Gender Studies (WGS). Gender and Sexuality Studies in Florence provides an opportunity for students to explore European attitudes and lifestyles that are often very different from those current in their home culture. Internships and opportunities for Community Engagement with local organizations, municipal offices and activist groups are open to all students.

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Southern Florida

A Master's degree in Women's and Gender Studies prepares you for doctoral work in a broad range of disciplines or for careers in teaching, social policy making, nongovernmental organizations, health and human services, and the arts and performance. Students pursuing interdisciplinary graduate work in the Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research at the University of Florida learn about feminist and other theoretical approaches and methodologies for examining the role of gender in cultural systems. Gender is understood in intersection with other sociocultural categories, including race, ethnicity, social class, sexuality, religion, physical ability, age, and nationality.

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