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Other News and Events

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Free Family Saturdays at the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame. **October 15, November 12, December 10**

Women's Center of Greater Lansing Support Groups

Great Girls in Michigan History Exhibit. **Through February 2017**

Help the Firecracker Foundation!

Donate to the Women's Center of Greater Lansing

Donate or Volunteer with the Greater Lansing Food Bank

Help The Women's Historical & Hall of Fame Earn Cash by Shopping at Kroger with a Plus Card and/or

Support The Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame through Amazon Smile

Time Out Youth, True Colors Fund & HRC release "On Our Own: Survival Guide for Independent LGBTQ Youth"

NPR Article of Interest: "New Report Says Pentagon Not Doing Enough For Sexual Assault Victims"

USAToday Article of Interest: "Native American girls fall through the cracks"

Article of Interest: "Gender and location in African politics scholarship: The other white man's burden?"

LSJ OP/Ed Article of Interest: "Loveless: Protect survivors of sexual assault"

LSJ Op/Ed Article of Interest (Opposing Opinion): "Dennis: Restrictions hinder productive return to society"

Huffington Post Article of Interest: "Undoing Unawareness: How Men Can Help Fight Sexual Assault"

MSU Today Article of Interest: "Prostitution Has Gone Online and Pimps are Thriving"

Conferences and Workshops

Migration With(out) Boundaries: MSU Graduate Student Research Conference. **October 21-22**

With/Out – ¿Borders? | Post-Oppression Imaginaries And Decolonized Futures **October 20-23**

Seneca Falls Dialogues: *Lean Out: Gender, Economics, and Enterprise*. **October 21-23**

National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference. **November 10-13**

Calls for Papers and Proposals

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QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking

Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Positions and Internships

MSU Counseling Center Sexual Assault Program Therapist

Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Museum Intern

Assistant, Associate or Full Professor of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Washington University in STL

Cluster Hire in Race, Immigration, and Integration, University of California Riverside

Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Conference Presentations

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Study Opportunities

Spring 2017 MSU Courses of Interest

MSU Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender

MSU Minor in Defense Studies & Leadership

MSU Undergraduate Specialization in Bioethics, Humanities, and Society

MA in Women's History at Sarah Lawrence College

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

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GenCen has an active Facebook Group (www.facebook.com/groups/MSUGenCen/), which is a great way to get more local, national, and international news items of gender-related interest, all on your Facebook News Feed. It is also a great way to network among students, staff and faculty, and it is more informal than the monthly GenCen Digest. We encourage all of our members to post relevant content in our group and share comments! We also have an "official" Page (www.facebook.com/MSUGenCen), where we post our events and other items of GenCen/MSU-related interest. Feel free to "like" us to stay up-to-date!

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 start of the Fall Semester, but is currently experiencing many technical difficulties. If you try to use the new 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.

Meet our new Student Advisors

GenCen is pleased to introduce Sara Bijani and Marisa Rinkus, our new student advisors. We would also like to thank Dori Hopkins (née Pynnonen) for having excellently served as our student advisor and internship coordinator for the past 5 years, and congratulate her as she moves on from the University to new opportunities. Sara will be advising for all undergraduate programs and internship coordination, and Marisa will be advising for GJEC and GSID graduate specializations. The WGS graduate specialization will be advised by new Co-Director Stephanie Nawyn.

GENCEN EVENTS:

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

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

October 14, *Reclaiming Carceral Space for Women's Activism*, presented by Lisa Biggs, RCAH

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

January 20, *(Imposing?) Sex on the Brain*, presented by Robyn Bluhm, Department of Philosophy/Lyman Briggs College

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

The Middle East Today: From Iran to ISIS to Turkey

September 22

4:00-5:45pm, 115 International Center

This panel will feature three very prominent researchers: Shireen Hunter of Georgetown University, Juan Cole of the University of Michigan, and Mohammed Ayoob, a Distinguished Professor at MSU. Cosponsored by the MSU Asian Studies Center, GenCen, Center for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, College of Arts and Letters, College of Social Science, Department of Anthropology, Department of Linguistics and Languages, Department of Sociology, Global Studies in the Arts and Humanities, Honors College, James Madison College, LeFrak Forum, Office for International Students and Scholars, Peace and Justice Studies, Residential College in the Arts and Humanities.

School of Journalism *Bias Busters Series* panel discussion featuring *Trans Sistas of Color Project –Detroit*

September 22

4:00pm, 147 Comm Arts & Sciences Building

This Bias Busters panel is held in connection with “100 Questions and Answers About Transgender People.” Co-Sponsored by GenCen and the LGBT Resource Center

The New Right’s Love Affair with LGBTQ Politics in Times of Islamophobia: Lessons from the Netherlands

September 22

3:00-5:00pm, Case Hall, 3rd floor JMC Library

Laurens Buijs is a social scientist who teaches in the Sexuality Studies program at the University of Amsterdam. He is also the founder of Ininc, a diversity policy consultancy. His work focuses on Dutch public policy, mainly in the realm of LGBTQ politics, sex work, multiculturalism, and the rise of new rightwing anti-Islamic political parties after 9/11. A critic of the myth of “progressivism” in the Netherlands, he is frequently asked to comment on these and other topics in the Dutch media.

Cosponsored by James Madison College, Center for Gender in Global Context, LGBT Resource Center, Lyman Briggs and Residential College for the Arts and Humanities.

After Orlando: Lessons from the Netherlands about the Roots of Anti-Gay Violence

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

Facilitated by Laurens Buijs, University of Amsterdam

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Muslims and the Upcoming US Elections

September 29

4:00pm, 136 Brody Hall

This panel will feature Amer Zahr, Sarrah Buageila, and Saeed Khan. Cosponsored by MSU African American and African Studies, Canadian Studies Center, GenCen, College of Arts and Letters, College of Social Science, Department of Anthropology, Department of English, Department of Sociology, Global Studies in the Arts and Humanities, Honors College, James Madison College, Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives, Office for International Students and Scholars, Residential College in the Arts and Humanities.

Graduate Student Black Feminism Discussion Group Meetings

For more information on joining this group, contact Kris Rowe at krowe@msu.edu

September 25

6:30pm, Graduate Employees' Union Office (319 Grand River Ave)

Discussion Subject: Black Feminist Future(s)

Recommended Reading: Jennifer Nash's "New Directions in Black Feminist Studies (Review Essay)" and Aisha Durham et. al's "The State Hip-Hop Feminism Built: A New Directions Essay"

Facilitator: Kris Rowe

October 16

6:30pm, Location TBA

Discussion Subject: Audre Lorde and Identity

Facilitator: Briona Jones

November 20

6:30pm, Location TBA

GJEC – Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change Fall Welcome Reception

Tuesday, October 4

3:30-5:00pm, Room 303 International Center

Light refreshments will be provided!

Join us to connect (or reconnect) with other GJEC students and faculty. This is also an opportunity to learn more about the **GJEC specialization, funding opportunities**, and upcoming events. Students who are interested in enrolling in the specialization are also encouraged to attend. Stop by and say hello if you haven't yet met the GJEC Coordinator, Dr. Wynne Wright, and the GJEC advisor, Dr. Marisa Rinkus.

Tapestries of Hope film screening and Q&A

October 20

6:00-8:00pm [Doors open 5:30pm], Hannah Community Center Theater, 819 Abbot Rd, East Lansing

Tapestries of Hope is a documentary shot in Zimbabwe that investigates the myth that if a man rapes a virgin he cures his AIDS. As the country struggles with food shortages and mass exodus, this myth is still endorsed by some traditional healers. This myth has caused HIV/AIDS to be one of the few things that continues to flourish in this southern African country. Starring Betty Makoni, a Zimbabwean, child abuse survivor, and the founder of the Girl Child Network. GCN rescues abused girls, re-empowers them, and teaches them NOT to be defined by the abuses committed against them. The film bears witness to the resilience of the girls and of the filmmakers who, despite being incarcerated and deported, refused to be silenced. The documentary interlaces the girls' stories with the true confession of a dying man who raped to cure his own AIDS. *Tapestries of Hope* is the call to action to stop the rape and abuse of children in Zimbabwe and around the globe. Director and writer Michealene Risley is an MSU alumna, award-winning filmmaker, director and human rights activist whose documentary film projects have addressed the health and survival of over half the world population.

www.tapestriesofhope.com

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Career Services NEW Resources: Career Tools

<http://careernetwork.msu.edu/resources-tools/video-resources.html>

www.CareerNetwork.msu.edu/search

Career Services is pleased to announce a new dynamic search tool for finding personalized career resources: Career Tools. Use it to find the information you need, fast! Trending topics, peer ratings, and staff picks guide Spartans to popular resources. Plus, use filters such as identity (About Me), industry, and geography (Where I'm Headed) to find resources specifically for your students' needs.

MySpartanCareer becomes Handshake

The Career Services Network has partnered with Handshake- a modern career development platform. Handshake will be replacing our current system, MySpartanCareer, and will be the one stop shop for students to launch their career. Starting June 1, MSU will begin to utilize Handshake. We are excited about this move for many reasons, and think you will be too. In particular:

Handshake will enhance our student experience. Handshake is built on a fast, scalable, mobile infrastructure, which is familiar to students since it is the same type of platform utilized by many popular social applications (think Facebook for Careers). The system is intuitively easy to use and navigate, which we believe will increase utilization rates and engagement with our office. This will increase the number of students who are professionally ready, and ultimately translate to better career outcomes for all undergraduates on campus.

Handshake will expand our reach. The Handshake platform gives students access to relevant career opportunities and insights (the more students use the system, the better it gets at showing them information that is relevant to their interests), provides employers with more comprehensive and efficient access to talent, and gives us more tools to drive student engagement and increase student employment. We believe that MSU will be better able to track and expand current relationships with employers who are recruiting college talent, as well as develop new relationships with employers by allowing us to better view, track, segment and message to target industries and companies.

Who do you contact with questions? Career Fairs: Maya Craft mayac@msu.edu. Student Access, Workshops, and Advising: Randi Martinez mart1705@msu.edu.

MSU campus is now tobacco free

As part of our continuing efforts to create a healthier campus, Michigan State University 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/>.

MSU Breathe Easy: Tobacco & Nicotine Cessation Program Offered Free to Faculty and Staff

There will be an information session about the program on Wednesday, September 21, from 1:30 to 3pm in room 247 Olin Health Center. To register for the information session, faculty, staff and their adult benefits-eligible family members should call 517-353-2596 or send an email to Health4U@msu.edu by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20. Attending the session does not obligate an attendee to enroll in the program. It does provide information to assist an attendee's decision of whether this cessation program is a viable personal choice. Space at the Breathe Easy information session is limited, therefore interested faculty and staff should

register to attend. The Breathe Easy program encompasses a 17-hour total time commitment over the course of the 15-month program commitment. For the remainder of 2016, employees will not be required to use their own time, so long as they are compliant with attendance at the meetings. Supervisors are expected to allow full release time to encourage employee participation in the Breathe Easy program.

Announcement from Women's Resource Center on its Closure and Incorporation into the WorkLife Office

Dear Friends & Colleagues of the Michigan State University Women's Resource Center:

The MSU Women's Resource Center (WRC) has been providing services to the campus and Greater Lansing community for over 24 years. It is with great pride and an open mind that we have embarked on the next phase of the WRC legacy. At the close of the 2015-2016 academic year, the WRC was incorporated into the new WorkLife Office. This transition has been in the works for several years and we look toward the future with optimism and dedication to continuing to serve our campus community. *Celebrate the Past:* As we packed decades of history into University Archives boxes, we celebrated the many contributions the WRC has made in advancing the lives of women and educating the community about gender justice and social justice issues. From the programs, conferences, workshops, and seminars to resource referral, consultation, student organization advising and educational initiatives, we are proud of the work we have accomplished. *Secure the Future:* As anyone in the line of gender justice work will tell you, the work is not over. Gender and social inequity still persists in our culture and on our campus. Women remain marginalized in many arenas, especially for those who navigate the world with additional marginalized identities. We are confident the work will continue, in order to create a brighter future for the next generation. *Honor the Legacy:* The Women's Resource Center has been committed to creating a climate that advocates for gender equity, values inclusion and provides resources to the MSU community. We believe the legacy will continue on through you, our supporters, and the work that we will continue to do as the new WorkLife Office. You can visit us in our new office, Linton Hall, Suite 118, call 517-353-1635, and email worklife@msu.edu. All staff personal phone lines and email addresses will remain the same. We look forward to connecting with you at the WorkLife Office.

For students seeking information about:

- **Women's Initiative for Leadership Development (WILD)*, including the *Women's Leadership Conference*, please contact Krysta Coleman in Student Life (colem371@vps.msu.edu or 517-355-8286).
- *Services/information about *gender diversity and/or transgender identities*, please contact the LGBT Resource Center (lbgrtc@msu.edu or 517-353-9520).
- **Academic or interview requests* regarding gender inequality, gender justice, etc. can be directed to the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) at gencen@msu.edu or 517-353-5040.
- **Graduate student* concerns can be directed to the Graduate School (gradschool@grd.msu.edu or 517-353-3220) or Graduate Life and Wellness (gradwellness@vps.msu.edu or 517-884-1332).
- **All other inquiries* can be directed to the Division of Student Affairs and Services' main line at 517-355-7535.
- *All gender (specifically woman/female) related services can also be directed to the Women's Center of Greater Lansing, which is a *community-based* resource (womenscentergl@gmail.com or 517-372-9163).
- *If you are unsure where to obtain information you are seeking, you are welcome to contact Lydia Weiss (previously the Interim Director of the MSU Women's Resource Center) at weisslyd@msu.edu or 517-353-1635 for guidance.

MSU Sexual Assault Program Groups and Workshops

Seeking Safety

September 13-October 4

Tuesdays 3:00pm-4:00pm, Student Services Building

A skills-based group for individuals that have experienced unwanted sexual contact; focusing specifically on trauma and substance abuse among a variety of other related topics. To Join: Contact Laina Wirgau at

lainaw@cc.msu.edu

Soul Speak

September 21-October 12

Wednesdays 3:00pm-4:00pm, Student Services Building

A safe space for female-identified students who have experienced unwanted sexual contact. Members will explore themes related to trauma, such as resiliency, self-compassion, and relationships. To Join: Contact Sara Marino at saram@cc.msu.edu

Trauma-Informed Healing Yoga

Beginning October 6 for 8 weeks

Thursdays 3:30pm-4:30pm, Holden Hall

A series of movements, meditation, and stretching that promote healing and wellness offered to survivors of unwanted sexual contact. To Join: Contact Caroline Nelsen at nelsenca@cc.msu.edu

Peer-Led Workshop

Weekly (time and location TBD)

This student-led group is open to all survivors of sexual assault who are currently MSU students to learn ways to practice self-care and find support among peers. To Join: Contact Amanda Taylor at amandat@cc.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.

Student Affairs and Services Fall-A-Palooza Open House

September 23

12:00-3:00pm, Student Services Building

Fall-a-Palooza: 2016 Beyond-the-Classroom Tour will feature cool prizes, therapy dogs, scrumptious food (including MSU Dairy Store ice cream and cider & donuts), pumpkin painting, large inflatables, crafts, games, Impact 89 FM student radio, tea with Vice President Maybank, and much, much more. Join us for great food, great fun and great information about Student Affairs and related services throughout the Student Services Building!

Neighborhood Student Success Series

Join us for one or all sessions, it's up to you! Snacks provided and door prizes will be given away nightly. Plus all MSU students will be entered into a drawing for a \$200 Amazon gift card. One entry for every night you attend!

September 26, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Effective Learning: Concentrate, Concentrate, Concentrate—presented by Brandy Ellison, Social Science

September 28, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Time Management for Success—presented by DeAndre Carter, Neighborhood Student Success Collaborative

September 29, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Math Success Strategies—presented by Sam Drake, Learning Resource Center

October 3, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Effective Learning: Repeat, Retrieve, Rehearse—presented by Sue Stoltzfus, Natural Science

October 5, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Study Skills for Success—presented by Samantha Spitak, Learning Resource Center

October 6, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Test Taking Tips and Test Anxiety—presented by Michael Zaborowski, College of Education

October 10, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Finding Your Purpose—presented by Marcus Sanderlin, Career Services

October 17, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Sleep 101—presented by Dr. Jen Grzegorek, MSU Counseling Center

October 19, 6:30-7:45pm, 103 Erickson Hall (Kiva)

Effective Learning: Mindful and Healthy—presented by Erica Flasky, Neighborhood Student Success Collab

Bioethics Brown Bag: *Ethics and Children with Differences in Sex Development and Gender Nonconformity*
September 28

12:00-1:00pm, C102 Patenge Rm, East Fee Hall

www.msubioethics.clickwebinar.com/brownbag (streaming link)

This lecture is free and open to the public. You are welcome to bring your lunch. Beverages and light snacks will be provided. All lectures are recorded and posted online in our webinar archive.

Society once considered children born with atypical genital anatomy to be freaks of nature. Until recently, doctors labeled these children “hermaphrodites” and urged early appearance-altering surgery. While times have changed, somewhat, medical interventions continue despite mounting evidence of long-term harms associated with both medical and surgical “treatment.” When should society constrain clinicians from intervening in these contentious arenas?

Reverse Career Fair

September 28

6:00-7:30pm, Breslin Center Auxiliary Gym

Career Services is holding a Reverse Career Fair the Wednesday evening of Career Gallery. This is an opportunity for employers and student organizations to connect. Student organizations from across campus will be provided a table and allowed to send 4-6 student representatives as well as any handouts/information you may want to share. Employers will make their way around the tables and speak with organizations about how they can support you, connect with you through meetings, events, etc, how they can recruit your members and more! When you register please list your Student Org followed by your name (American Society of Mechanical Engineers--Joe Spartan). Please note: Only 1 member per organization needs to sign up.

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.

Facebook page / Facebook public group

September 28, 8:30-10:00am, 110 Chittenden Hall

The Secrets to Setting, Keeping and Achieving Your Goals, presented by Bob Hoffman, Wharton Center Public Relations Manager and Fox 47 Host of “Morning Blend.” The secrets to setting and achieving goals are simple, but there are a few principles that can save you a lot of time and work. Bob will share some ideas that will help keep you focused and moving forward to achieving the results you want, even if outside factors seem to prevent you from achieving your heart’s desire.

October 19, 8:30-10:00am, 110 Chittenden Hall

Conflict, Choice and Consequences, presented by Dr. Julie Brockman, Associate Professor in MSU’s School of Human Resources and Labor Relations. Conflict can be set off by uncertainty, fear, misalignment of expectations, and unpredictability. We all have to make choices about how to get back to balance and honor

our personal needs during conflict. Dr. Brockman will guide participants through creating their own model for reconciliation to stay true to their personal brand during and after tough situations.

November 9, 5:30pm Dinner at Brody Hall, 7:00pm Women's Volleyball Game at Jenison Fieldhouse

****Night on the Town**** FREE Socializing Event! *RSVP is required*

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.

Undergraduate Research Office Fall 2016 Workshops

For more information on any of these workshops, contact the URCA Office at 517-884-4384.

October 3, 5:30-6:30pm, A108 Wells Hall

Learning About Undergraduate Research

Make research an integral part of your Spartan saga! Come learn about the opportunities available for involvement in research and creative activities at Michigan State. You can expect a short presentation, discussion, and Q & A facilitated by current undergraduate researchers.

October 9, 2:00-3:00pm, 108 Bessey Hall

Integrity in Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity

Professor James Pivarnik (MSU's Research Integrity Officer) will talk about responsible conduct of research (RCR), identifying and defining federal definitions of research misconduct (falsification, fabrication and plagiarism), and resources available on campus for undergraduate researchers with questions regarding adherence to RCR standards.

October 10, 5:30-6:30pm, A118 Wells Hall

Unpacking Your Research Experience

Have you thought about how the skills you are gaining through your undergraduate research experience will assist you in the future? Come learn about strategies for communicating your skills and abilities to others, such as graduate schools and future employers. This workshop will include information about creating an elevator pitch related to your research and an opportunity for you to critically reflect on the skills you have built by being involved in undergraduate research.

October 19, 6:00-7:00pm, 306 Bessey Hall

Troubleshooting Your Undergraduate Research Experience

Intended for current undergraduate researchers, this panel discussion provides insight and suggestions on how to manage common challenges and problems. How can you establish an impactful working relationship with your supervisor? How do you manage to balance your academic, personal, and research responsibilities? How can you optimize your relationship with your faculty mentor? A panel of current undergraduate researchers will share their experiences and ideas.

November 3, 5:30-6:30pm, 313 Bessey

Finding a Summer Research Opportunity

There are a variety of summer opportunities available for students. Programs are hosted by colleges and universities around the United States and they provide an intensive research experience on a particular topic within a scholarly discipline. Participants generally work with an advisor on a research project over the duration of their respective programs (usually 10 to 12 weeks). Many host universities cover all expenses (including travel, accommodations, and food) and provide a stipend. For undergraduates with plans for graduate or professional school after MSU, summer research provides the opportunity to expand your professional network and acquire experience in an area of interest. In this workshop, you will learn more about summer research, the benefits of participation, and effective search strategies, including how to find

and apply for opportunities.

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.

October 6, 3:30-5:00pm, W444 (Green Room), MSU Main Library

Fishbowl Discussion with Dr. Sonya Gunnings-Moton (Asst Dean of Student Support Services, College of Education)—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.

October 20, 3:30-5:00pm, 1st floor Reference Instruction Room, MSU Main Library

Introduction to the Daring Way—Through the year, Certified Daring Way Facilitator Lisa Laughman (MSU Health4U/Employee Assistance Program) will facilitate sessions that will link the teachings of Dr. Brené Brown to life as an academic woman at MSU.

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

Fishbowl Discussion with Dr. Janet Lillie (Asst Vice President of Community Relations, Office of Gov'tl Affairs)—Hear from and ask questions about her experiences in higher education as a faculty member and now as an Assistant Vice President. *Fishbowl events will provide an opportunity to ask questions and interact with some of MSU's successful and inspirational women.

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.

Don't Tell Anyone (No Le Digas a Nadie) Screening and Discussion

October 12

6:00pm-9:00pm, Wells Hall Room 117

Join us for a screening and conversation about Mikaela Shwer's *Don't Tell Anyone (No Le Digas a Nadie)*, a film about courage, facing insurmountable obstacles and the determination to fight for justice. In an environment where silence is often seen as necessary for survival, 25-year old Angy Rivera steps out of the shadows to share her parallel journey of being undocumented. This event is a collaboration with the award-winning documentary series POV (www.pbs.org/pov).

MSU GLBT Alumni Homecoming Reception

October 14

6:30-9:30pm, Red Cedar Room, Kellogg Center

The MSU GLBT Alumni Association invites you to our 11th annual MSU Homecoming party / reception! Join us for food, drinks, and the fellowship of the GLBT Spartan family on Friday October 14, following the MSU Homecoming Parade. The party will take place in the Kellogg Center's Red Cedar Room. This year we will pay tribute to our late secretary and Homecoming organizer extraordinaire, Bill Beachler. **ADMISSION PRICING:**

\$20 for alumni, \$10 for students. As always, proceeds benefit the Pride Scholarship.

Mujer A Mujer series

October 20, 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

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Candlelight Vigil

October 21

6:30pm-8:00pm, Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum

We invite you to gather with us at 6:30 pm on October 21 at the Broad Art Museum (547 E Circle Dr., East Lansing) for a Candlelight Vigil in remembrance and honor of victims and survivors of domestic violence. The purpose of the candlelight vigil is to provide an opportunity for all members of the Greater Lansing community to come together to honor those who have lost their lives, offer support to survivors of abuse and take a stand against domestic violence. Domestic Violence Awareness Month, observed in October, is a time for communities to unite to remember those who have lost their lives as a result of abuse, celebrate those who have survived, connect with those who work to end violence and raise public awareness about domestic violence in our communities. The Candlelight Vigil is a collaboration between EVE (End Violent Encounters), CARE (Capital Area Response Effort), MSU Safe Place, The Lansing Police Department, SIREN/Eaton Shelter, and The Women's Center of Greater Lansing.

For more information, please contact Lauren Kirk, Volunteer & Follow Up Advocacy Coordinator, CARE (Capital Area Response Effort) at (517) 483-6827, Alyssa Baumann, Volunteer & Advocacy Coordinator, MSU Safe Place at (517) 432-9570, or Meghan Faught, Community Relations Coordinator, EVE, at (517) 372-5976.

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 [here](#).

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 e-mails, we have centralized all of our research opportunities in one place on our website. We currently [*December 2015*] have opportunities to participate in the following research projects:

- LGB Healthcare Service Experiences
- LGB Person's Attitudes and Experiences
- LGB Persons Coping with Discrimination
- Lesbian Body Image
- Transgender/Gender Nonconforming Experiences and Mental Health Study
- Transgender Students and Socioeconomic Status
- Work and Family Experiences of Same Sex Couples

To access these opportunities, head to the site listed above. If you have questions about a particular posting, contact the person listed.

[MSU Today Article of Interest: "Back to School Tips"](#)

As students gear up for the 2016-17 academic year, experts share a variety of tips and pieces of advice on topics ranging from health to personal security.

[MSU Today Article of Interest: "Driven by STEM Opportunities, More Women Enrolling in MSU Engineering"](#)

"Nearly 21 percent of the students enrolled this year in the Michigan State University College of Engineering are women. That's up from 18 percent last year, when the college first saw women enrollment top more than 1,000. Dean Leo Kempel said this year's upward trend remains consistent with the college's overall enrollment increase for nearly a decade."

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Other News and Events

Grrrls Just Wanna Have Fun—Fundraiser for *Helping Women Period!*

September 24

12:00pm / 6:00pm / 7:00pm, Avenue Café, 2021 E Michigan Ave, Lansing

Free Event—DONATIONS REQUESTED Daytime show all ages / Nighttime show 21+

This is a fundraiser and product drive to benefit **Helping Women Period**, a local Lansing charity organization that helps those in need with the distribution and donation of menstrual products! Donation bins for boxed pads and tampons will be set up at the back entrance to The Avenue Cafe. Feel free to donate and much or as little as you can afford. Monetary donations also accepted of course! There will also be a SILENT AUCTION and 50/50 Raffle—We are looking for donations for the Silent Auction, if you can help, please let us know! **The Record Lounge** will also have a POP UP SHOP! This is a whole day celebration with female fronted bands; from folk through to punk, we have something for YOU! A full schedule of the day's musicians and speakers is available at the [facebook event link](#). The 6pm talks will feature **Lysne Beckwith Tait** from **Helping Women Period**, Sophia of **Gateway Youth Services**, **Harriet McTigue** of **MSU Sexual Assault Program** and Megan Blue, Legislative Aide to **Sarah Roberts State Representative**. Please do not miss the very important things that these women have to say!

Michigan Transgender Health Fair

September 24

1:00-4:00pm, Affirmations LGBT Community Center: 290 W 9 Mile Rd, Ferndale, MI 48220

Health resources will be available to the transgender communities, including exhibits, vendors, speakers, and panels. The event is free.

5th Annual *Fight for Justice Gala*

September 29

6:30pm, Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave. Dearborn, MI 48126

Join the ACRL on September 29 for our 5th Annual "FIGHT FOR JUSTICE" Gala. This annual dinner will be a historical one, where major civil rights issues in our community are presented and while acknowledging excellence in community service and social justice. On this night, the ACRL will host hundreds of dignitaries and guests, including numerous state and community leaders, elected officials, and civil rights activists. Media is invited and urged to join the community for this momentous occasion. For more information, contact Nasser Beydoun (313) 702-1700 or Rula Aoun at (313) 633-0231 or at rula@acrlmich.org. Tickets are available for purchase at www.picatic.com/event14698201031836.

2nd Annual "Inform. Empower. Prevent. Let's End Campus Sexual Assault" Summit

September 30

9:00am-4:30pm, U of M North Campus Research Complex

Campus sexual assault has been a long standing and often overlooked problem both in Michigan and across the country. Many believe sexual assault won't happen to them, to someone they know or be committed by someone they know. It is common to think sexual assault isn't happening where I am, when in reality it can happen to anyone. The "Let's End Campus Sexual Assault" initiative brings together university officials, students, law enforcement, stakeholders and legislators for a discussion on how we can inform students, empower survivors and bystanders, and prevent sexual assault on campuses. **GOALS:**

- Change the culture surrounding sexual assault.
- Make Michigan a leader in ending sexual assault among the college aged population.
- Inform stakeholders, empower individuals, and prevent sexual assaults.
- Encourage collaboration and bipartisan efforts to identify best practices in the fight against sexual assault.

Michigan's public, private, and community colleges have been invited to participate in the 2016 summit. If you are a Michigan college student, high-school student, or individual interested in attending the summit independent of your school, [sign up here](#). Tickets will be released on a first come, first served basis depending on availability in September 2016.

Gloria Steinem in Conversation with MI Women Win

October 8

8:00-10:00pm, Wharton Center

For more than half a century, Gloria Steinem has worked to advance equality, and remains an iconic and inspiring voice on all fronts of social activism. As a writer, producer, activist, and organizer, she has addressed a wide range of rights issues throughout her life and career. Ms. Steinem travels around the world speaking on issues including gender equality, violence against women, and reproductive rights. She has written a number of bestselling books and recently published her first book in 20 years, titled "My Life on the Road", that tells a story she has never told before, a candid account of her life as a traveler, a listener, and a catalyst for change. Join us for a lively and engaging conversation with Gloria led by Michigan Radio host, Cynthia Canty, with an audience Q & A to follow. \$35 Early-bird tickets with preferred seating while supplies last. Reserve your seat today: <http://bit.ly/2c1Tgk2> \$1,000 VIP tickets that include premium seating and a private reception with Gloria Steinem are now available: <http://bit.ly/2c1Tgk2> \$10 Student tickets are available through the Wharton Center at MSU website: <http://bit.ly/2cfmSb5> For more information on corporate or individual sponsorship opportunities for this event please contact info@miwomenwin.com

Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Awards Dinner & Induction Ceremony

October 19

5:00pm Reception, 6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Ceremony. Kellogg Center, 219 S Harrison Rd, East Lansing

Join us at the 33rd Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Awards Dinner and Induction Ceremony! Reservations are \$135 for members and \$150 for non-members. Reservations can be made online or by calling 517-484-1880 x 203. Members of the 2016 induction are: **Contemporary Inductees**—Dr. Anan Ameri, Rev. Faith Fowler, Dr. Olivia Letts, Diana Ross, Lou Anna Kimsey Simon; **Historical Inductees**—Elizabeth Sparks Adams (1911-2007), Daisy Elliott (1917-2015), Dr. Evelyn Golden (1913-2005), Mary Free Bed Guild (Established in 1891), Charlotte "Lottie" Wilson (1854-1914). [Click here to read more about the inductees!](#)

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!

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

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

October 15—Costume Party: BE a Great Girl!

November 12—Suffragist Theme

December 10—Holiday Theme

Women's Center of Greater Lansing Support Groups

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

Healthy Relationships/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 for more information.

Hope and Healing: A Support Group for Teen Girls

Wednesdays 3:00-4:30pm

A 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 & 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. *Does it Cost Anything?* No. The group is totally free. Topics we may cover in group 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 about your story, it is completely up to you. You get to choose what information you share. *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.

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 nine 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.

Help the Firecracker Foundation with Amazon Wish List donations

Did you know that you can help the Firecracker Foundation by purchasing things for the office right off our Amazon Wish List? <http://bit.ly/1pb24Xh>

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. For our current fiscal year, our operating expenses have been \$147,900 and our revenue, which comes to us primarily in the form of donations, has been \$29,103. Our operating income has not been this slim in a long time and we are dangerously close to running out of operating funds. To close this gap, we are seeking cash donations so we can remain open and providing services. 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

FOOD GREATEST NEEDS: <http://greaterlansingfoodbank.org/get-involved/give-food/items-needed/>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: <http://greaterlansingfoodbank.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/>

The Greater Lansing Food Bank (GLFB) is a non-profit 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. The Food Bank 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 Food Bank: 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 Food Bank 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** for the Food Bank, Food Movers or The Garden Project; Donating by credit card at on our secure site or over the phone at 517-853-7800. TO VOLUNTEER: The Food Bank has fluctuating needs throughout the year based on season, product, and volunteer availability. To sign up for a volunteer opportunity, visit the website above for more information and to fill out the online application.

Help The Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame Earn Cash by Shopping at Kroger with a Plus Card and/or Support The Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame 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 x203.

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.

Time Out Youth, True Colors Fund and Human Rights Campaign release "On Our Own: A Survival Guide for Independent LGBTQ Youth"

The Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Foundation, the educational arm of the nation’s largest lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) civil rights organization, in partnership with the True Colors Fund, co-founded by Cyndi Lauper, and Time Out Youth Center in Charlotte, North Carolina, released an innovative guide for LGBTQ youth facing the daunting prospect of living on their own after leaving unsupportive or abusive homes, or aging out of foster care. *On Our Own: A Survival Guide for Independent LGBTQ Youth* is geared toward older teens and young adults forced to fend for themselves, typically without parental support and often lacking the

skills or resources needed to live safely and begin building a successful life. The guide provides practical advice on essential topics ranging from finding housing, going to school and opening a bank account, to getting a job, accessing healthcare and living on a budget.

NPR Article of Interest: “New Report Says Pentagon Not Doing Enough For Sexual Assault Victims”

“The military released **data** this month showing over 6,000 reported sexual assaults during 2015. The real number is likely three or four times higher. Just like in **the civilian world**, most rape doesn't get reported, and the Pentagon acknowledges this happens in the military because victims fear they — not the perpetrators — will face reprisals from commanders. Human Rights Watch says in a **report** today that the Pentagon doesn't do enough to repair the damage from those reprisals. “It's a common perception in the military that you have to choose between reporting your rape and staying in the military,” said Sara Darehshori, who interviewed hundreds of military sexual assault survivors for the organization.

... Men make up the vast majority of the military — 85 percent — and a slight majority of military sexual assault victims, though only 10 percent report the crime, compared with 38 percent of women, according to the Pentagon's **most recent report on sexual assault in the military**. ... “Nothing has been done for the thousands of people who were kicked out after they reported their sexual assault and still have to live with these terrible discharge papers that continue to impact their lives,” says Darehshori, with Human Rights Watch. She says many of them believe incorrectly that a less-than-honorable discharge can be easily upgraded by a Discharge Review Board or the Board of Corrections of Military Records. “In fact, those bodies are dead ends,” says Darehshori. She says they upgrade only a tiny fraction of the cases that come up for review. “Victims we spoke to are reluctant to go to the boards [and] bare their souls and relive trauma, when they have essentially no chance of being heard,” she says. In 2014, the Pentagon **directed the boards** to give more weight to issues like post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), which affects many rape survivors. This year, the **Pentagon clarified** that this applies to vets who may have been rejected previously, or who are past the normal deadlines to apply.

A Pentagon spokesman says the rate of upgrade for those PTSD cases is now near 40 percent, but he says the boards do not track how many sexual assault cases get upgraded. The Pentagon's inspector general released a **report** this month that found “personality disorder” and other mental health classifications still are being misused to put sexual assault survivors out of the military.”

USAToday Article of Interest: “Native American girls fall through the cracks”

They're poor, more likely to be sexually abused, end up in foster care, drop out of school, become homeless. They're often the prey of traffickers. American Indian and Native Alaskan girls are a small fraction of the population, but they are over-represented in the juvenile justice system, whether they are living on or off the reservation. Native American girls have the highest rates of incarceration of any ethnic group. They are nearly five times more likely than white girls to be confined to a juvenile detention facility, according to the U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. There are programs on tribal lands that work with Native girls who have been caught up in the system, using federal funds. But American Indian girls often find themselves without state or local social service programs tailored to their cultural backgrounds and experiences, which are distinct from other girls living in or on the edge of poverty. “As Indian people, our greatest hope is our children. And our kids are really at risk,” said Carla Fredericks, director of the American Indian Law Clinic at the University of Colorado Law School in Boulder. “The only way we can help these girls is if we do it cooperatively, with the states, federal government and within our own communities.”

“Ryan C. Briggs and Scott Weathers, Gender and location in African politics scholarship: The other white man's burden?”

While the percentage of women publishing in *African Affairs* and *The Journal of Modern African Studies* from 1993 until 2013 has increased, the percentage of articles by Africa-based authors has declined. We present evidence suggesting that this decline is not being driven by lower submission rates from Africa but rather by

low and declining acceptance rates. We also find that Africa-based scholars, but not women, are systematically cited less than others. We then analyze article titles and find preliminary evidence suggesting that Africa-based authors are more likely to write on a small number of countries and less likely to generalize. Authors based outside Africa seem more likely to generalize to the continent and are more likely to write on economics or conflict. These patterns have implications for the diversity of the discipline and the state of our knowledge about Africa.

LSJ OP/Ed Article of Interest: “Loveless: Protect survivors of sexual assault”

Kelly Loveless is a sexual assault and crisis intervention advocate for MSU's Sexual Assault Program. She is also a medical advocate and works with Sparrow Hospital's Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) program.

LSJ Op/Ed Article of Interest (Opposing Opinion): “Dennis: Restrictions hinder productive return to society”

Frank Dennis is an East Lansing resident and Tri-County Re-entry Coalition steering committee member. He has 40 years of criminal justice volunteer experience, currently assisting parolees in re-entry.

Huffington Post: “Undoing Unawareness: How Men Can Help Fight Sexual Assault”

Robert Mavrogordato, Nurse, SANE, and empathetic human being

“A storm is needed. As men, we can help. Until we do, our sisters, daughters and friends will fill my hospital’s exam room, Matt’s crisis center and Steve’s courtroom. We can be the butterflies that create a storm, but only if we collectively become more aware. We can become an active part of the solution and not just an overwhelming part of the problem. There are many ways to become more aware and engaged in combating rape culture. We can have formal training as victim advocates, prevention education outreach coordinators, prosecutors, or SANEs. Or we can simply be graduate students on a bicycle, like Carl-Fredrik Arndt and Peter Jonsson. We can be professionals or ordinary men who recognize without qualification that women do nothing to deserve to have their humanity stolen. We can believe victims, who overwhelmingly tell the truth. We can stop to intervene rather than be complicit with rape culture. We can add more of our voices to the chorus of dedicated women who have long worked to bring about change. We can ask the women with whom we share our lives and homes what they think about the realities of life on both sides of the curtain.”

MSU Today Article of Interest: “Prostitution Has Gone Online and Pimps are Thriving”

“In a first-of-its-kind study, criminologists from Michigan State University and Loyola University Chicago interviewed 71 pimps in Atlanta and Chicago to determine how their marketing decisions are influenced by police enforcement of online prostitution.”

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Conferences and Workshops

Migration With(out) Boundaries

MSU Graduate Student Research Conference on Migration

October 21-22

Michigan State University will host the fifth annual graduate student research conference on migration, welcoming papers on the theme, Migration With(out) Boundaries. Migration Studies is a burgeoning and all-too-relevant area of academic attention, and the conference seeks to foster a cohort of scholars working on any thematic, conceptual, spatial, or temporal aspect of human migration from any disciplinary perspective. Submissions are welcome from academics at any stage of their graduate career, and may include research designs, dissertation or thesis chapters, methodological models, works in progress, and preliminary findings. Dr. Nancy Foner, Distinguished Professor of Sociology at Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York will present a keynote address on the evening of Friday, October 21. Paper sessions will take place on Saturday, October 22. Michigan State University faculty representing the field of migration studies across numerous disciplines and departments will serve as discussants.

Individual Papers:

Your submission must include the presentation title, abstract (of no more than 300 words), home institution and affiliated department(s), and co-authors (if applicable).

A \$25 conference fee will be due upon confirmation of attendance.

Panel Submissions:

Applicants are encouraged to submit a panel proposal. This will include a title and abstract for the panel as a whole, as well as individual titles and abstracts for each constituent paper.

Email submissions and questions to: migrationwithoutboundaries@gmail.com

With/Out – ¿Borders? | Post-Oppression Imaginaries And Decolonized Futures

October 20-23

Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, MI

The Kalamazoo College Arcus Center for Social Justice Leadership's second WITH/OUT — ¿BORDERS? Conference seeks to bring people together across disciplines and social locations whose work envisions an imaginative, robust, plentiful and just future: Academics and organic intellectuals, artists and speculative fiction writers, critical pedagogues and prison abolitionists, frontline organizers and next systems advocates, scientists and human rights leaders are all welcomed. This will be a CONFERENCE – [UN] CONFERENCE featuring modules that will include panel discussions, breakout sessions, films and performances designed to prompt us to collectively conjure, theorize, decolonize and map a future we can all thrive in. Modules will focus on the following interventions: Cultural and academic work informed by Afrofuturism, the visioning of post-oppression desire through fantasy, film, technology and speculative fiction; radical teaching, campus activism and education advocacy that upends colonial knowledge to create liberatory educational structures and paradigms; ideologies and technologies that move toward a renewable energy [r]evolution and sustainable future; global and local work creating next systems and deploying new economic possibilities and strategies.

Seneca Falls Dialogues: *Lean Out: Gender, Economics, and Enterprise*

October 21-23, Seneca Falls, New York

The biennial Dialogues are a collaborative effort to reinvigorate Seneca Falls as a site of feminist activism and intellectual exchange. We invite students, activists, and teachers to participate in a weekend of dialogue on the following themes: Divisions of Labor; Class, Gender, and Sexuality; Teaching Economic Justice; Representations of Work; Gender and Entrepreneurship; Global Economies; Art, Activism, and Social Justice; Women in Business. Registration opens in June. The SFD is sponsored by The Women's Institute for Leadership and Learning (WILL) in collaboration with the College Alliance (Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Monroe

Community College, The College at Brockport: State University of New York, the University of Rochester, St. John Fisher College), Friends of the Women's Rights National Park, the National Women's Hall of Fame, the Town of Seneca Falls, and the Greater Rochester Area Branch of American Association of University Women.

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

Everyday Life on the African Continent: Fun, Leisure and Expressivity

Abstracts due September 30

For the full CFP, see: <https://melissagraboyes.com/everyday-life-on-the-continent>

This volume, edited by a multi-disciplinary group of scholars who work in different regions of Africa, will be a collection of essays focusing on forms of leisure and expressivity on the continent. Each short and descriptive essay (5000-6000 words), will be written in accessible prose and will focus on providing details about a cultural form, explaining the context(s) in which it occurs, and providing some analysis as to its significance. The book will be thematically organized, with multiple chapters on topics such as Fashion and Beauty, Sports and Games, Love and Dating, and Creative Arts. The volume targets an undergraduate audience with limited knowledge of the continent. The intent is for the volume to include essays from all regions of the continent, from rural and urban settings, about the present or the past, and about “popular” and “traditional” practices. This edited volume is under pre-completion contract with Ohio University Press, and 500 word abstracts are due by September 30, 2016 to lmgilman@uoregon.edu.

Gendered Perspectives on International Development

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Gendered Perspectives on International Development (GPID) publishes scholarly work on global social, political, and economic change and its gendered effects in developing nations. *GPID* cross-cuts 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 (9,000-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 Jessica Ott, 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 at the website linked above.

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. Submissions are always welcome. Electronic submissions through the journal's system are encouraged at all times. 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. Materials for the Journal are submitted to a blind-review process. 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 from their publisher. 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. Basically, this copyright agreement grants Women in Judaism the exclusive rights to publish the work on the Internet. Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal is a non-paying market.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse 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, *Trauma, Violence, & Abuse (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

MSU Counseling Center Sexual Assault Program Therapist

Application Deadline: September 27

<https://jobs.msu.edu/> Search for position Posting Number 4004 or Job Title listed as Social Worker

The MSU Counseling Center Sexual Assault Program is pleased to post a NEW Sexual Assault Therapist position. Minimum/Required Qualifications: Knowledge equivalent to that which normally would be acquired by completing one or two years of graduate study beyond a bachelor's degree, such as a master's in social work or counseling; one to three years of related and progressively more responsible or expansive work experience providing advocacy and counseling to survivors of sexual assault; or an equivalent combination of education and experience; and state licensure as a social worker or counselor. Desired Qualifications: Demonstrated competency and expertise in counseling and outreach with diverse populations; more than three years of experience providing advocacy and counseling to survivors of sexual assault; experience providing sexual assault services and trauma treatment in a university or college setting; experience in facilitating training and presentations for large groups; experience with grant-related data collection and reporting. Job Summary: The Michigan State University Counseling Center (MSUCC) is seeking a Social Worker with a strong background in providing direct service and outreach to a diverse student population. MSUCC has a long-standing multicultural tradition dating back to 1969, and this position is one aspect of the center's ongoing commitment to providing outreach and clinical services to traditionally under-served populations. The Social Worker Position (Sexual Assault Program Therapist) will provide comprehensive psychotherapy services to victims of sexual assault and adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse; will facilitate individual counseling and group services and provide advocacy and crisis intervention services. This position also provides consultation services to MSU faculty and staff regarding sexual assault dynamics and trauma response. Ability to provide in-person crisis intervention and advocacy services at Sparrow Hospital Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Unit within a 20-minute travel time period as needed.

Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Museum Intern

Job Purpose: To research, develop and deliver museum program(s) for museum visitors. Key responsibilities: Greet and lead tours for museum visitors, research potential programming opportunities, collaborate with staff to develop program(s), research Hall of Fame honorees and inductees, facilitate programs for groups visiting the museum, inventory and rehouse traveling exhibits, other duties as assigned. Qualifications: Junior or senior. History, Museums Studies, Education, Anthropology, Women and Gender Studies majors/minors preferred, but not required, must have strong initiative, must work well independently, able to speak to groups and deliver excellent customer service, must be able to use cash register, uses professional conduct at all times, including when representing the Michigan Women's Historical Center to outside organizations and individuals, can climb ladders, bend, squat, lift and move up to 50 pounds, be on feet for several hours at a time Preferred Qualifications: Experience in program and/or curriculum development, experience working with children, personable and outgoing, ability to be flexible and positive in a fast-paced environment. Schedule: Schedule is flexible, but must be available to work Saturdays, 12pm-4pm. Send cover letter, resume and list of professional references (minimum of 3) to: Dr. Caitlyn Perry Dial, Michigan Women's Hall of Fame, 213 W. Malcolm X St. Lansing, MI 48933, Fax: 517-372-0170, Email: cpdial@michiganwomen.org.

Assistant, Associate or Full Professor of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Washington University in St. Louis

The committee will review applications until the position is filled, but applications should be received by **October 1** to ensure full consideration.

The Department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Washington University in St. Louis 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 Ph.D. 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 of Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies at Washington University 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. Requests for additional information may be directed to Professor Andrea Friedman, Search Committee Chair, at afriedman@wustl.edu.

Cluster Hire in Race, Immigration, and Integration, University of California Riverside

Applications accepted until position is filled.

The University of California Riverside is embarking on a major new hiring initiative that will add 300 tenure-track positions in 33 cross-disciplinary areas selected through a peer-reviewed competition. Over the next three years, we will hire multiple faculty members in each area and invest in research infrastructure to support their work. This announcement aims to fill up to four positions, at both the junior and senior levels, in social science research related to "Race, Immigration, and Integration: Empirical and Applied Approaches." Topical areas of focus in this cluster search include: social movement and political power, including community mobilization against discrimination, hate crimes, police brutality, and immigrant detention; educational opportunities across the K-16 education pipeline with a focus on racialization, including its intersections with class, gender, sexuality, and immigration status; the study of media (including mainstream media, ethnic media, and social media) and its relationship to social attitudes, civic engagement, and community formation; and demography and public health, including disparities in health and health care delivery, immigrant health, and culturally competent health care services. Candidates should clearly indicate their topic(s) of focus in their cover letter. We are looking for candidates with a strong research record commensurate with rank, including relevant fellowships, honors, and awards. Candidates will be expected to teach and guide the research of undergraduate and graduate students, and they should be committed to boosting UCR's research in empirical and applied research on race, immigration, and integration.

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Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Conference Presentations

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:

HST201, Section 6: Historical Methods and Skills – Section focus: Docile Women, Loyal Warriors, and Other Myths of Old Japan. M/W 3:00-4:30pm. 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, warrior accounts of medieval battle, and more. This class will be taught by associate professor Ethan Segal, segale@msu.edu.

HST850, Section 2: Seminar in Comparative History: Sexuality, Health, and Illness. M 4:10-7:00pm. 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. This course will be taught by professor Naoko Wake, wake@msu.edu.

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 Florida

A Master's degree in Women's 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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