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Article of Interest: "Ingham County Prosecutor Stuart Dunnings arraigned in Jackson County"

EVE Executive Director Statement on Stuart Dunnings's charges

New York Times Article of Interest: "Campus Sex...With a Syllabus"

Article of Interest: "To Catch a Rapist"

Article of Interest: "The Ugly Truth about Sexual Assault: More men admit to it if you don't call it rape"

Article of Interest: "Why Are So Many Black Transgender Women Getting Killed in Detroit?" Article of Interest: President Obama signs emergency declaration over Flint's water crisis

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Technology Summit on Working with Survivors of Abuse. July 25-27

Anarchist Studies Network: 4th International Conference: Anarcha-feminism.. September 14-16

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

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

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Gender and Migration Conference: Critical Issues and Policy Implications, May 11-14, Izmir Turkey. Deadline: April 1

Seneca Falls Dialogues: Lean Out: Gender, Economics, and Enterprise, October 21-23. Deadline: April 30

Gendered Perspectives on International Development

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Positions and Internships

2016-17 American Association of University Women of Michigan (AAUWMI) Student Advisory Council (SAC). **April 25** Firecracker Foundation Volunteer Administrative Assistant opening

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Study Opportunities

Summer 2016 MSU Courses of Interest

Oregon State U Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Fall 2016 Study Abroad in London. Sept 4-Dec 10

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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Our NEW WEBSITE is finally live!

Please check it out at www.gencen.msu.edu. If you notice any problems (or typos) within our new website, please email us at gencen@msu.edu, or utilize our new email comment function on the site. Please include the problem, which page it is located on, and if you are emailing us screenshots would be appreciated! We are relying on you to help us find problems early on! Thank you!

GenCen Co-Director Position Searches Announced

Co-Director of Academic Programs application review began February 23, applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Information on the current candidates for Academic Programs Co-Director is available at this link.

Co-Director of International Research Engagement application review began March 9, applications will be accepted until position is filled.

ISP is conducting a search for two new Co-Directors at GenCen this semester. GenCen is headed by Co-Directors. One (Academic Programs, Outreach and Engagement), is primarily responsible for developing and managing the College of Arts and Letters Major and Minor in Women's and Gender Studies, the Graduate Specialization in Gender Studies, the LGBTQ minor, and outreach to community and women's organizations. The other Co-Director (International Research and Engagement) is responsible for promoting gender-related research and outreach across the campus and for fostering faculty-led international partnerships with other women's and gender studies programs around the globe. The search for the Academic Programs-focused position will be internal. The search for the International Research-focused position will be simultaneously internal and external. The Search Committee plans to conduct formal campus interviews for the Academic Programs position during March and for the International Research position during April. Members of the Search Committee are: Fred Rauscher (Assoc. Dean, CAL), Emine Evered (History), Kristie Dotson (Philosophy), Leo Zulu (Geography), Andrea Allen (CASID), Amy Jamison (GenCen), and Laurie Medina (Latin American and Caribbean Studies/Anthropology).

How to apply for the Co-Director of Academic Programs position: For consideration, please go to **www.jobs.msu.edu**, search for posting **2733** and follow the application process. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter, a CV, up to 3 relevant publications. Applicants should also have 3 letters of reference emailed to the search committee chair, **medina@msu.edu**.

How to apply for the Co-Director of International Research Engagement position: For consideration, please go to **www.jobs.msu.edu**, search for posting **2734** and follow the application process. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter, a CV, up to 3 relevant publications. Applicants should also have 3 letters of reference emailed to the search committee chair, **medina@msu.edu**.

Find GenCen on Facebook

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!

Student Advising Appointments: SPRING 2016 Walk-In Hours: WEDNESDAYS 2:00-4:00PM

To schedule an appointment with the GenCen advisor, please use MSU's online Advising Appointment System—select "Women's and Gender Studies" from the list. If the online system does not work for you, please email gencenad@msu.edu to schedule an appointment.

MSU GJEC Dissertation Research and Completion Fellowships

Application Deadline: April 15

The Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change (GJEC) Program, at the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen), is pleased to announce fellowships for MSU graduate students for the 2016-17 academic year. Generous funding provided by MSU's Graduate School has allowed for the development of four up-to-\$10,000 fellowship opportunities in two categories, Research and Completion.

GJEC Dissertation Research Fellowship

Eligibility for Dissertation Research Fellowship: PhD students at MSU who have completed all requirements for their degree with the exception of their dissertation research. Applicants must have dissertation projects that focus specifically on the gender dimensions of environmental and/or agricultural change.

Application requirements:

- Completed Application Form with Research Budget Itemization
- Copy of Approved Departmental Dissertation Proposal
- Five-page (double-spaced) Summary of the Dissertation Proposal
- Letter of Recommendation from Dissertation Committee Chair
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)

GJEC Dissertation Completion Fellowship

Eligibility for Dissertation Completion Fellowship: PhD students at MSU who have completed all requirements for their degree program including dissertation research. Applicants must graduate by Spring 2017, and their dissertations must focus on gender as it relates to environmental and/or agricultural change.

Application requirements:

- Completed Application Form
- Five-page (double-spaced) Summary of the Dissertation Research
- Letter of Recommendation from Dissertation Committee Chair
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Funding must be used during the 2016-17 academic year. Submit completed application and all supporting documents by April 15 to: GenCen Advisor, MSU GJEC Program, 206 International Center, 427 N Shaw Lane, East Lansing, MI 48824. Email: gencenad@msu.edu Phone: (517) 353-5040 Fax: (517) 432-4845.

Exploring Feminism in Our Everyday Lives—WS202 Fall 2015 Research Projects

http://leadr.msu.edu/projects/fall-2015/exploring-feminism/

WS202 students worked with LEADR (Lab for the Education and Advancement in Digital Research) on campus to design a project that reflected feminism in their everyday lives with the goal of engaging their peers. This assignment pushed students to explore, rethink, and debate theories of feminism and gender from a variety of intellectual, political, cultural, religious, sexual, racial, ethnic, national, and global perspectives. In the spirit of feminist theory and feminism, these final projects reflect the feminist issues found in their everyday lives and strive to engage others in a conversation the confront injustices and develop methods and strategies for change. Projects include: Conflicting Feminist Perspectives; MSU Community Microaggressions; Feminism and the Teaching Profession; Say Her Name—Black Lives Matter; Human Trafficking; Safe Zone at MSU; and Reaching Total Equality.

Field Trip to Gigi's Cabaret

April 2 10 seats are still open; RSVPs will be accepted thru March 29 or when all seats fill

http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/gigis-field-trip / www.facebook.com/events/1579378625719140/

Join Women's Studies 492 (the capstone course for the LBGTQ Minor) for a field trip to Gigi's Cabaret in Detroit! Space is limited—RSVP to **gencen@msu.edu** as soon as possible to reserve your spot! There is a \$10 cover charge for the show. You do not need to prepay, but you will have to show your ID and your ability to pay before getting on the bus.

Timeline of the field trip:

Meet at MSU's International Center at 7:00pm
Depart MSU at 7:30pm
Arrive at Gigi's Detroit around 9:15pm (we have a reserved area)
First show at 10:00pm
Second show at 11:00pm (these are two different shows)
Depart Detroit at 12:15am
Arrive back at MSU around 2:00am

Flint Water Crisis Field Trip

April 8 15 seats are still open; RSVPs will be accepted thru March 30 or when all seats fill http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/flint-water-crisis-field-trip/ / www.facebook.com/events/938251929621532/ Join the Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change (GJEC) program on a one day field trip to Flint, MI to explore the many dynamics of the Flint Water Crisis. We will speak with community activists, university researchers, and members of the faith community. We will explore the gendered dimensions of the crisis as well as social, political, and environmental perspectives. Please email gencen@msu.edu with "Flint Water Crisis Field Trip" as your subject line and within the email include your full name, MSU email, student level, and degree program. The trip is Friday April 8, 8:00am to 5:00pm. This event is FREE and transportation and lunch will be provided. For more information, email GJEC Coordinator Wynne Wright at wrigh325@msu.edu or GenCen at gencen@msu.edu.

Eating the Life Sentence Elephant: One Bite at a Time

March 28

12:00-2:00pm, 303 International Center *Book signing from 1:30-2:00pm*

www.facebook.com/events/1708589676085989/

"I explore the ways that women incarcerated for life in the state of Michigan, literally and metaphorically, construct meaningful lives inside prison walls through self-actualization. Using their narrative voices, I discuss the ways that these women reflect on their carceral lives, particularly how they cope pragmatically and creatively with no-exit sentences. I challenge the decidedly male-oriented legislative, criminal justice, and popular cultural images of "prison" and "criminals" by offering a view of imprisoned women that is contemporarily invisible and attempt to fill the ethnographic gap in criminological theorizing about female lifers. I discuss my triangulated research methodology of focus groups, life course interviews, and solicited diaries where the biases of one method are cancelled out by the others."

Author of *Women Doing Life: Gender, Punishment and the Struggle for Identity,* **Lora Bex Lempert** is a Professor Emerita in Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Michigan Dearborn. For twenty years, she was the co-sponsor of the National Lifers of America chapter at a local women's correctional facility and the lead instructor on a series of college level courses, a program that won the 2006 AAUW Progress in Equity Award. She was also the first instructor to offer an Inside Out Prison Exchange class in Michigan. In 2005, she received the Feminist Mentoring Award from the Sociologists for Women in Society. Co-sponsored by: Center for Gender in Global Context, Research Consortium on Gender-based Violence, Social Work, Criminal Justice

Taiwan Film Festival

March 28, B122 Wells, The Assassin; director Hou Hsiao-hsien

April 11, 107 S Kedzie, Murmur of Youth; director Lin Cheng-sheng Q/A

April 12, 109 S Kedzie, Betelnut Beauty; director Lin Cheng-sheng Q/A

The films have strong gender themes, with four of the five focusing on women's identities, sexuality, or entrepreneurial ambitions. *The Assassin* tells the story of a female assassin in tenth-century China. *Murmur of Youth* is a film about two girls who works together in a movie theatre box office and have a brief romantic fling—which means more to one of them than the other. *Betelnut Beauty* follows a girl who runs away from

home to sell betelnuts (which can produce a mild high) and gets involved in Taipei's criminal underground, though she longs for a career in show business. This year Taiwan has elected its first female president (the first female state leader in a Chinese-speaking country or region), so the gender-focused theme of this festival is timely.

This series is co-sponsored by Asian Studies, GenCen, Linguistics & Languages, Film Studies, GSAH, The China Experience at MSU, Taipei Cultural Center in New York, and Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Chicago.

Challenges Faced by Women Vegetable Farmers in Tanzania as They Struggle to Support Families and Feed the Nation

April 1

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

www.facebook.com/events/1666382456944943/

A higher proportion of rural women in Tanzania are engaged in farming than in the rest of Africa. For many, farming of non-traditional "exotic" vegetables represents a good source of income given the growing demand in large urban areas. Women farmers face many of the same challenges faced by men farmers such as high cost of inputs, need to transport produce to markets, and change in weather due to climate change. But they also face gender-based challenges such as customary "laws" that limit access to land and control over their produce and income from agriculture (in defiance of national legislation guaranteeing women's rights). This presentation will discuss the challenges faced by women vegetable farmers in a semi-arid region and in a semi-tropical region, and will discuss what women are doing to gain more control and the type of organizations that are assisting them.

Cathy A. Rakowski is a sociologist and Associate Professor in the School of Environment and Natural Resources and the Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies at The Ohio State University. This talk is based on research conducted in Tanzania with faculty and graduate students from Sokoine University of Agriculture with the support of The Innovative Agricultural Research Initiative (iAGRI). As a sociologist and feminist scholar, Dr. Rakowski's research and teaching interests focus on processes of social and environmental change and inequality, particularly related to "development" and corporate interventions. Much of her research has focused on Venezuela, where she lived and worked off and on between 1969 and 1998. She also has conducted research in Mexico, India, Senegal, Uganda, and Tanzania. Most recently, she has been involved in USAID-funded curriculum initiatives at universities in India and Tanzania.

SANDRA KIM—Everyday Feminism

April 12

6:30-8:00pm, Kellogg Center Auditorium (219 S Harrison Rd)

Sandra Kim is the Founder & Publisher of the world-famous virtual magazine, *Everyday Feminism* (www.everydayfeminism.com), whose mission is "to help people heal from and stand up to everyday violence, discrimination, and marginalization through applied intersectional feminism." She will be speaking at MSU as part of the MSU Women's Resource Center's Gender & Its Intersections Series on "Building Inclusive Leadership to Develop Anti-Oppression Work Environments." Kim's talk will be a call to action to effectively and boldly do this work at an institution like MSU. This event is FREE and open to all. Questions? Contact WRC at 517-353-1635 or wrc@msu.edu. GenCen is one of the co-sponsors for this important event.

GJEC Brown Bag

Please feel free to bring your bag lunch! Cookies, coffee, and tea will be provided.

April 20, 12:00-1:00pm, 201 International Center

A Gender Analysis of the Adaptation and Coping Strategies of Fisherfolk in the Face of a Seasonal Fishing Ban in Tamil Nadu & Puducherry, India

Presented by doctoral candidate Julia Novak Colwell, MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife

Out in the Night, part of The Matter is Life: Black Women and Violence Film Series April 21

8:00pm, B122 Wells Hall

In collaboration with the MSU Film Collective, we will be screening *Out in the Night*, the story of four queer black women who were incarcerated for varying amounts of time following a violent altercation with a man on the street in 2006 in Greenwich Village. Renata Hill and Patreese Johnson, two of the women dubbed the "New Jersey 4" and the focus of the film, will be joining us for this event.

GenCen Colloquia Series: New Research on Women and Gender: Global and Local Perspectives Fridays, 1:30-3:00pm, 303 International Center April 22

Implementing Culturally Adapted Parenting Interventions with Low Income Latino/a Parents: Addressing Cultural and Gender Challenges

Presented by Ruben Parra-Cardona, Department of Human Development & Family Studies/Research Consortium on Gender-Based Violence

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"Ask Sparty" Tool on University Websites

The "Ask Sparty" tool/knowledgebase can be used to answer general questions from Financial Aid, Admissions, Student Accounts/Loans Receivables, and the Office of the Registrar. If you have any questions please request to speak with an Ask Sparty-Intelliresponse Liaison within the appropriate office (Financial Aid, Office of Admissions, and Office of the Registrar or Student Accounts/Loans Receivables). You can access Ask Sparty in the following ways:

Financial Aid Website Student Accounts Website

stuinfo.msu.edu reg.msu.edu

msu.intelliresponse.com admissions.msu.edu (Coming Soon)

Career Services Resources Spring 2016 Drop-In Advising

http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/career-advising-drop-in-hours.html.

If you are looking for a part-time job, resume or cover letter help, interview strategies, internships, or other career related support, we welcome you to drop in or to make an appointment. However, if you are exploring career options or looking to take a career assessment, we recommend that you make an appointment to have a conversation with a career advisor. Our Spring 2016 Drop-In hours can be found on the website linked above.

NEW Resource: 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.

Healing Yoga March 30, April 6

Room 6 Student Services, 4:00pm-5:00pm

As part of our Healing Through Movement series, the MSU Sexual Assault Program presents trauma informed yoga practice for female identified survivors of sexual assault. A Sexual Assault Program therapist will be present for support. If you walk in after 4:00pm please quietly join in the back of the room. No experience necessary, gym clothes for movement recommended, no equipment required, bring water.

Academic Women's Forum, Spring 2016

March 29, April 12, 26

3:30pm-5:00pm, MSU Union, Lake Ontario Room (3rd Floor)

All faculty, academic staff, post-docs, librarians and graduate students who identify as women are cordially invited to participate in the MSU Academic Women's Forum. The 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 academic women at MSU. Each meeting date will explore and discuss a topic pre-chosen by Forum attendees.

MSUFCU Summer 2016 Unpaid Internship Award

Application Deadline: March 30

Have you found an unpaid internship for this spring? Did you know that MSU Career Services Network offers awards to help offset costs of unpaid internships? You may be eligible to apply for an up to \$1000 stipend!

Award Criteria: *Must be current <u>undergraduate</u> MSU student in good standing; *Expected graduation in August 2016 or later; *Accepted to or actively pursuing a high quality, unpaid, career-related internship focusing on the following areas: non-profit organizations, government, media, the arts, public relations and advertising; *Demonstrated financial need (as determined by student essay and the MSU Office of Financial Aid); *Open to U.S. based internships only, preference given to applicants interning at non-profits located in the Lansing area, non-profits in Michigan and Michigan start-up businesses; *Program is <u>not open</u> to students interning with an MSU department, completing international internships, completing a Study Away/Study Abroad program or who are past Award recipients. <u>Application Process</u>: Complete our online application and submit your most current resume and personal statement via Desire2Learn. Log into Desire2Learn, Click the Self Registering Courses tab (upper right corner), search and click on the "MSUFCU Intern Award" to enroll in this program. Once added, open the course from your home page. Complete the application form and upload your most current resume and personal essay. For questions regarding the application process or the Desire 2 Learn course, please contact: Victoria Morris, internships@csp.msu.edu.

Cybernetic Sade

March 31

4:30-5:50pm, Green Room, MSU Main Library

Presented by Ellen McCallum, Department of English. The Marquis de Sade's texts frequently offer rather striking appeals to nature, as if nature offers some sort of outside or counter-law to social law. But his claims about nature develop in tension with an Enlightenment commitment to reason as well as an almost machinic vision of sexuality, exemplified by his complexly orchestrated orgies. What's queer about Sade is his exposition of a kind of cybernetics avant la lettre. This proto-cybernetics is integral both to Sade's social critique and to the interconnections of nature and reason in his work. Where Sade privileges reciprocal or at least reversible and dynamic relations, where he appeals to multiple connections and impersonal sociality, he demarcates the modern world of cybernetic networks and human/machine hybrids. Sade's 18th-century visions of control and communication resonate in the 20th century readings of his work by Marcel Hénaff, Roland Barthes, Leo Bersani, and Kathy Acker. My talk will explore how these thinkers' attention to the questions of bodies and pleasures lays out for us a view of cybernetic Sade. EVENT CONTACT: Valentina Denzel, vdenzel@msu.edu. Refreshments will be served.

Take Back the Night Events

April 6-7

Event Schedule listed below

Take Back The Night is an event dedicated to ending sexual assault and domestic violence through spreading awareness. By sharing our stories as survivors and allies, we can empower one another to make a lasting change in our community and beyond. This event coordinates efforts between Michigan State University and Greater Lansing activists. Everyone is welcome to attend and all events are free!

Event Schedule:

April 6, 6:00-8:00pm: Healing Art Community Art Project—Lake Superior Room, MSU Union

April 7, 10:00am-4:00pm: The Clothesline Project & Resource Fair—Beaumont Tower

11:00am-12:00pm: Self-Care Workshop—Beaumont Tower

12:15 pm to 1:15 pm - Healing Yoga—Beaumont Tower

1:30 pm to 3 pm - Every 2 Minutes Theatre Troupe Performance—Beaumont Tower

4:00-5:00pm: Keynote Speaker Lachrista Greco, founder of Guerrilla Feminism—Beaumont Tower

5:0006:30pm: Speak Out—Beaumont Tower

6:30-7:00 pm: March on MSU Campus

7:00-8:0pm: Candle Light Vigil and closing ceremony—"The Rock"

Mujer a Mujer Series 6:00-8:00pm, C136 Holden Hall April 7, 21

Mujer a Mujer is a female-focused group in South Neighborhood based on a mission to empower undergraduate women at the University level to help them develop professionally through inspirational role models.

University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (UURAF) April 8

9:00am-5:00pm, MSU Union

Registration Deadline: Friday, February 19, 11:59pm

www.urca.msu.edu/uuraf

UURAF is an opportunity for students to showcase their scholarship and creative activity to the University community in a conference-like venue. Students present their work to faculty judges in an oral, poster, or performance presentation. Students need to register by the deadline. Registration and other detailed information can be found at the website above. The opportunities for student participation are very broad. Last year, nearly 750 students presented 518 programs at the event. It was an impressive display of student scholarship and talent.

Volunteers needed for University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (UURAF) April 8

8:00am-5:00pm, MSU Union

https://wejoinin.com/sheets/jzfne

UURAF is MSU's largest undergraduate student research showcase, held every year. This year we have nearly 900 students participating in the forum, which is the highest we have ever had! This event would not be possible without the help of volunteers, especially academic advisors. If you are interested and able, please consider volunteering. There are many different ways to get involved, from working at the registration table, to moderating oral presentation sessions and helping us with event clean up. We have found in the past that academic advisors benefit greatly from moderating during the oral presentations and assisting with poster sessions, as it is also a great way to learn more about the type of research and creative activity that the students in your departments are engaged in. Feel free to contact Lizzy King (lizzy@PROVOST.MSU.EDU) directly if you have any questions or want to make a specific request.

23rd Annual *Dia de la Mujer* Conference April 9

8:00am-5:00pm, Kellogg Center, MSU

www.facebook.com/events/1642580462686775/

The Día de la Mujer Conference began in 1994 to highlight the accomplishments of Latina women in our community. Since that time DDLM has grown into a multi-faceted series of workshops focusing on education, health, political, inter-personal relationships, culture, personal development, and self-empowerment for Latinas of all ages and backgrounds. Our conference goals are to empower, motivate, inspire, connect and support Latinas and all women in their quest for advancement in society. DDLM is also an excellent opportunity for non-Latinos, who are interested in learning about the beliefs, views, and way of life in the Latino community. DDLM recognizes that there is value in difference and is an excellent cross-cultural experience for all who take advantage of the opportunity. DDLM is open to all regardless of ethnic background. We encourage everyone to attend and participate in all that DDLM has to offer. DDLM is open and inclusive of all who value diversity and wish to learn about the growing Latino community. Attendance is FREE for MSU students!

Lavender Reception and MOSAIC Awards Gala April 10

1:30pm, Kellogg Center Big Ten Room C

http://lbgtrc.msu.edu/programs-and-services/lavender-reception-and-mosaic-awards/

The Lavender Reception is a time to recognize our graduating queer and trans Spartans while also coming together to celebrate another year of progress and struggle. RSVPS are requested on a form at the website above! Each year during the Reception, hosted by the MSU LBGT Resource Center, the Alliance of Queer & Ally Students sponsors the Mosaic Awards Gala, an event to recognize and honor student leaders, programs, and organizations who have made significant contributions to support the campus queer community. Mosaic Award categories: Individual Awards: Outstanding Executive Board Member; Outstanding Emerging Leader. Program Awards: Outstanding Social Program; Outstanding Educational Program; Outstanding Collaborative Program; Outstanding Campus Initiative. Organization Awards: Excellence in Team Building; Excellence in Community Building.

Annual Leadership Awards, Department of Student Life April 12

7:00-9:00pm, Kellogg Center

Nomination/Application Deadline: **March 11, 4:00pm**, via email to Dantya Jennings at **jenni133@vps.msu.edu** in pdf format.

http://studentlife.msu.edu/leadership-development/leadership-awards-reception

The Student Life Leadership Awards were created to recognize outstanding leadership excellence at MSU. The awards are intended to recognize students, advisors, organizations, and programs for creating change and positive impact to the MSU and associated communities. We encourage you to nominate students, advisors, organizations, and programs deserving of this honor. The purpose of the Program is to showcase leaders and their organizations as well as the faculty and staff who support and advise them. It is our intention to highlight and celebrate the programmatic and leadership efforts over the 2015-2016 academic year. GROUP AWARDS: Student Organization Achievement; Emerging Student Organization; Campus Impact (Organization); Outstanding Service Organization; Outstanding Professional Organization; Outstanding Academic Organization; Outstanding Greek Organization; Internationalizing the Student Experience. LEADER AWARDS: Campus Impact (Individual); Outstanding Spartan Parent; Graduate Student Leader; Emerging Leader; Leader of the Year; Student Veteran of the Year; Student Veteran Supporter of the Year. ADVISOR AWARDS: New Advisor; Advisor of the Year.

SANDRA KIM—Everyday Feminism

April 12

6:30-8:00pm, Kellogg Center Auditorium (219 S Harrison Rd)

Sandra Kim is the Founder & Publisher of the world-famous virtual magazine, *Everyday Feminism* (www.everydayfeminism.com), whose mission is "to help people heal from and stand up to everyday violence, discrimination, and marginalization through applied intersectional feminism." She will be speaking at MSU as part of the MSU Women's Resource Center's Gender & Its Intersections Series on "Building Inclusive Leadership to Develop Anti-Oppression Work Environments." Kim's talk will be a call to action to effectively and boldly do this work at an institution like MSU. This event is FREE and open to all. Questions? Contact WRC at 517-353-1635 or wrc@msu.edu. GenCen is one of the co-sponsors for this important event.

Cultivating an Inclusive Campus Culture for Veterans April 15 12:00-4:00pm https://www.facebook.com/CMVE10/ This workshop is put on by the Consortium of Michigan Veterans Educators. CMVE seeks to cultivate truly veteran-friendly campuses. More details will be made available on their Facebook page. The MSU event is part of a state-wide workshop series.

2015-16 MSU Community Engaged Learning Survey

Completion Deadline: April 15

www.surveymonkey.com/r/93GNBCG

The 2015-16 MSU Community Engaged Learning Survey is now open to faculty, staff, and student organizations. The deadline for completing this survey and reporting your student community engaged learning and community service activities is Friday, April 15. The annual index report that is generated from this survey will be organized by college and will highlight exemplar courses and projects. The intent to demonstrate the breadth and depth of our campus-wide efforts. Each year MSU reports on student community engaged learning and community service activities. In the 2014-15 academic year, Michigan State University was recognized by the Michigan Campus Compact as the 2014 Engaged Campus of the Year, acknowledged "with distinction" on the U.S. President's Community Service Honor Roll, and awarded the Carnegie Foundation Elective Classification in Community Engagement. It is the dedicated efforts of our faculty, staff, and students, along with our community partners that elevate Michigan State University's recognized leadership in community engaged teaching and learning that ignites the spirit of community service among our students. By the end of this academic year, the Center for Service-Learning & Civic Engagement will release the first annual Michigan State University Community Engaged Learning Index. This first edition will highlight exemplars, promising practices, and unique innovations from among the student registrations reported by our campus in the 2014-2015 academic year. It will also provide snapshots of the amazing efforts reported. The annual MSU Community Engaged Learning Index will provide valuable information to our campus and partners as we continue to demonstrate our commitment to the public purpose of higher education. The data for this index is generated directly from the information provided by the MSU Community Engaged Learning Survey. We strongly encourage faculty, staff, and student organizations to report their efforts so that the story of community engaged learning at MSU is complete and we can acknowledge and celebrate our collective efforts. If you have questions, please contact Laurenza Riojas at riojas@vps.msu.edu or 517-353-4400.

MSU Summer Intensive on Community Engaged Scholarship, June 6-9

Applications/Nominations Deadline: April 15

http://outreach.msu.edu/SummerIntensive2016/overview.aspx

Attention: Early career, tenure-track faculty and advanced graduate students seeking faculty or staff positions in higher education! Michigan State University's Office of University Outreach and Engagement is hosting a Summer Intensive at the Kellogg Center that will focus on community engaged research and community engaged teaching and learning, including service-learning and community-based research in classes. The Summer Intensive is composed of 14 interactive workshops, lunches in disciplinary clusters and with senior community engaged scholars, dialogue with community partners, and time to develop your own community engagement plan for your return to campus. **Cost:** \$350 (includes 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, a networking reception, and all teaching and learning materials). At the end of three and half days, you will come away with:

- Conceptual frameworks and scholarly resources
- Practical partnership, collaboration, and evaluation tools
- Perspectives from community partners
- Career advice from senior community engaged scholars
- Strategies for publishing community engaged scholarship
- Support from a network of interdisciplinary colleagues

Spartans Will Power Global Day of Service April 16

https://serviceday.msu.edu/index.cfm / https://serviceday.msu.edu/create.cfm

The last day to register for the Global Day of Service is **April 12**.

The fourth annual SPARTANS WILL. POWER Global Day of Service is being held on April 16, 2016. Imagine what it would look like if Spartans from every corner of the globe joined together on one day to serve. In 2015, Spartans donated approximately 16,000 hours of service to their local communities through this initiative! Here's how you can help make this year even more successful: Sign up for a volunteer opportunity on our website, which lists worldwide projects that are being hosted. You can contact the Global Day of Service coordinator listed to learn more about projects that interest you. Don't see a project happening near you? Connect with a local charity or organization and register an individual project. SPARTANS WILL. POWER is an excellent way for you to engage others in service for an organization that you care about. You can also check back on the website later as new projects are posted daily. Bring your friends and family; everyone is welcome to be a part of the Global Day of Service. Many projects are noted as family friendly and the registration form provides space for you to register multiple participants. SPARTANS WILL. POWER provides a wonderful way for families to serve together. Promote the event using the hashtag #MSUServiceDay on social media.

April 17

Spring 2016 Red Cedar River Cleanup!

10:00am-2:00pm, MSU Bike Center, Farm Ln (Just behind Bessey Hall facing the river)

www.facebook.com/events/590206104462518/

Come out Sunday morning and help make a difference in your campus! We're starting at 10:00am and going until 2:00pm. So even if you can only make it out for an hour or so, every person's contribution counts! Come see how you look in some awesome waders and get crafty with grappling hooks! Hope you will join us in our efforts! Lunch provided!

Note: Details may change closer to the date pending on weather/etc. But save the date and check the facebook event for updates!

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1:00pm, MSU Jenison Fieldhouse

www.facebook.com/events/921667694615990 / http://safeplace.msu.edu/race-for-the-place-5k

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with set-up and refreshments, serving as a course guide, assisting at the finish line or helping with break-down/clean up. If you would like to volunteer for one shift or for the whole day, please contact Alyssa Baumann at **baumann9@msu.edu**. Please include your name, email address, phone number and your first and second (if possible) shift preference. **Volunteer shifts are:**

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April 21

Earth Day Extravaganza with MSU Sustainable Spartans 11:00am-3:00pm, MSU Rock, Farm Ln

www.facebook.com/events/1759911354246059/ www.facebook.com/events/1623204261237819/

Come join the Sustainable Spartans on April 21st for our annual Earth Week Extravaganza! Activities include plant giveaways, free bike repairs, pot decorating, games, and more! Stay tuned for more details.

MSU's 4th Annual Workshop on Food Justice: *Bringing Theory and Practice Together* May 13-14

http://workshoponfoodjustice.com/call-for-proposals/

Food justice is a growing movement that has inspired both on-the-ground community projects and theoretical articulations across multiple disciplines. This workshop aims to help scholars and practitioners identify and address the challenges and opportunities in food justice. The 2016 workshop will include scholarly talks and visits to local environmental justice projects. The workshop is intended as a transdisciplinary space to forge connections between theories and between theory and practice, and papers should be accessible to a public audience. Previous papers have been informed by disciplines such as anthropology, critical race studies, disability studies, indigenous studies, economics, gender and sexuality studies, geography, history, literary criticism, philosophy, religious studies, sociology, and the human dimensions of agricultural and environmental sciences. Please direct any questions to workshoponfoodjustice@gmail.com.

Broad Family Days First Saturdays of the Month 12:00-4:00pm, Broad Art Museum

http://broadmuseum.msu.edu/programs/education/family-programs

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!

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

http://lbgtrc.msu.edu/programs-and-services/research-opportunities/

The LBGT 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.

PrideSource Article of Interest: "Remembering the History of Michigan's LGBT Ballot Fights" Published by GenCen/History faculty member Tim Retzloff

www.pridesource.com/article.html?article=74900

"In recent months, the group Fair Michigan launched an effort to guarantee protections for sexual orientation and gender identity within the Michigan constitution by means of a statewide initiative slated for the November 2016 ballot. A number of critics have asserted that whenever LGBT rights are put before voters, such measures always fail. This claim is not only inaccurate, it also masks a complicated, and perhaps promising, history of past referendum battles."

MSU Today Article of Interest: "Flint Water Focus of MSU Forum"

http://msutoday.msu.edu/news/2016/flint-water-focus-of-msu-forum/

As the nation focuses its eyes on the city of Flint's recovery from lead-tainted waters, MSU's Institute for Public Policy and Social Research looks to its research experts for ways to move Flint and Michigan forward. The Michigan State University institute will host a March 16 public policy forum across from the state Capitol to address critical questions about the sources of the Flint water issue, how the community can recover and ideas for improving statewide health, governance and infrastructure. The forum is free and open to the public. Speakers include Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, director of pediatric residency at Hurley Children's Hospital in Flint and assistant professor of pediatrics at MSU College of Human Medicine, Josh Sapotichne, MSU assistant professor of political science, and Janice Beecher, director of the MSU Institute of Public Utilities.

Other News and Events

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.

Volunteers needed for Community Support Festival April 2016

Several students are organizing a Community Support Festival prospectively planned for this April. The festival will include a presentation from the Beehive Collective, an artist's collective whose work speaks to the privatization of public space (including water) in Detroit. This will connect to a film that explores water privatization in more depth and a prospective panel discussion. Following these features, we will be hosting a series of workshops which cover self care, emotional support and emotional first-aid, managing service related burnout, as well as a workshop on empowerment-modeled mediation, with a specific focus on how community members can accommodate the needs of individuals or communities who are victims of violence (particularly sexual violence) and who are unsure of their role outside of the judicial system. This event is going to be engaging and particularly relevant to communities in both Lansing and Detroit. We are seeking assistance in our organizational efforts as this is a large undertaking! If anyone can help with any role, no matter how small, please contact Taylor (taylor.marcelle.davis@gmail.com) for information regarding the next meeting.

Zumba EVEnt April 2

11:00am-12:30pm, MSU IM Sports East, 804 E Shaw Ln

www.facebook.com/events/226429897694992/

Suggested donation \$5. Parking available in ramp 3 by the Wharton Center (free before 11:00am). Join us for a charity Zumba dance event to support the Lansing EVE Center, which provides shelter and supportive services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence while seeking to end domestic and sexual violence through public awareness and community education.

Take Back the Night Events

April 6-7

Take Back The Night is an event dedicated to ending sexual assault and domestic violence through spreading

awareness. By sharing our stories as survivors and allies, we can empower one another to make a lasting change in our community and beyond. This event coordinates efforts between Michigan State University and Greater Lansing activists. Everyone is welcome to attend and all events are free!

Event Schedule:

April 6, 6:00-8:00pm: Healing Art Community Art Project—Lake Superior Room, MSU Union

April 7, 10:00am-4:00pm: The Clothesline Project & Resource Fair—Beaumont Tower

11:00am-12:00pm: Self-Care Workshop—Beaumont Tower

12:15 pm to 1:15 pm - Healing Yoga—Beaumont Tower

1:30 pm to 3 pm - Every 2 Minutes Theatre Troupe Performance—Beaumont Tower

4:00-5:00pm: Keynote Speaker Lachrista Greco, founder of Guerrilla Feminism—Beaumont Tower

5:0006:30pm: Speak Out—Beaumont Tower

6:30-7:00 pm: March on MSU Campus

7:00-8:0pm: Candle Light Vigil and closing ceremony—"The Rock"

Mother Earth Day Extravaganza

April 16

9:00am-3:00pm, Fenner Nature Center

www.mynaturecenter.org/EarthDayExtravaganza

Honor the legacy of Earth Day by giving back to nature with Fenner Nature Center and community partners at the Earth Day Extravaganza. Explore the local flora and fauna alongside biologists, hobbyists, and Michigan State University Fisheries and Wildlife students! Visitors of all ages are welcome to join us as we search for salamanders, plant trees, and restore habitat in the park. We'll need volunteers to help clear brush to prepare the land for the planting of native Michigan grasses and wildflower species that will put on a spectacular show for humans and provide food and shelter for wildlife. As always, we'll have our "Garlic Mustard Pull Challenge" to eradicate this invasive species from the park. Individuals and teams are welcome to join us and see if we can surpass the 11 tons that were pulled last year. If your business, family, or friends are interested in coming together to volunteer for a great cause, please email us at Volunteer@mynaturecenter.org.

Queerceanera: A Coming of Age Party for Queer/Trans POC & Allies April 16

9:00pm-onward (see schedule of events below), Robin Theater, 1105 S Washington, Lansing MI www.facebook.com/events/605726842912169/

MICCA (Michigan Indigena/Chicanx Community Alliance) and the MSU Council of Grad Students present this special event! There is NO COVER CHARGE! Schedule of events: 7:00-9:00pm Makeup Pre-party (get ready with MICCA); 9:00-10:00pm Christening and Show (drag performance, giveaways, and radical literature performances); 10:00pm-1:30am Dance Party (DJ Eddie + special guests). Email repmicca@gmail.com with any questions!

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Michigan and Climate Change: Does the UN Paris Agreement Go Far Enough? And How Can We Unravel Resistance to Positive Climate Change Action? April 21

7 pm, University United Methodist Church's Asbury Room, 1120 S. Harrison Rd, East Lansing

More information available at http://www.gluna.org/page-1860026

Free; Free Parking; Open to the Public. Presenters: David Gard, senior consultant with 5 Lakes Energy; Tom Stanton, principal researcher for Renewable Resources & Energy Efficiency at National Regulatory Research Institute. Co-Sponsors: Greater Lansing United Nations Association (GL-UNA), Michigan State University United Nations Association (MSU UNA), Peace Education Center, Michigan Chapter of the Sierra Club / Central Michigan Group.

Summer Volunteering Opportunity in Ghana

www.ghei.org/volunteers

This year GHEI is excited to be offering two Malaria Prevention sessions and one Girls' Empowerment session. The Summer Serve and Learn volunteer program offers a once-in-a-lifetime experience in international development work in Africa. Our volunteers take part in 16-day sessions working alongside local staff to reach common goals. Our programs are each designed to complement our year-round programming and the skills and expertise of our volunteers. By volunteering, you will have the opportunity to learn from the local community and gain profound insight into life in rural Ghana. You will benefit from the Twi language lessons, discussions on pertinent topics and cultural exchanges, such as meeting the village chief, a drumming and dancing workshop, and traveling to sites such as the historic Ghanaian cities of Kumasi and Cape Coast. To learn more, check out our website.

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.

Article of Interest: "Ingham County Prosecutor Stuart Dunnings arraigned in Jackson County" http://www.mlive.com/news/jackson/index.ssf/2016/03/ingham_county_prosecutor_stuar.html "Ingham County Prosecutor Stuart Dunnings was arraigned on multiple charges related to prostitution patronage and willful neglect of duty in Jackson County District Court."

EVE Executive Director Statement on Stuart Dunnings's charges

"Dear Ingham County Residents, End Violent Encounters (EVE) joins you in your shock after hearing of the charges filed against Ingham County Prosecutor, Stuart Dunnings III. We support law enforcement and the judicial system in navigating the legal aspects of this situation. EVE is grateful to Sheriff Wriggelsworth and his team for their dedication to seeking justice for victims of domestic and sexual violence. EVE's primary concentration is to offer counseling, supportive services and advocacy to victims. We must make sure that each and every survivor is believed and given the chance to be heard and supported. In collaboration with our community partners: MSU Sexual Assault program, Firecracker Foundation, Listening Ear, SafeCenter, SIREN, Sparrow Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program, Small Talk Children's Assessment Center and law enforcement agencies, EVE is working to expand the resources available for victims of sexual assault in Ingham County. When situations like this one make the news we are reminded that there are countless individuals and families whose lives are touched by domestic and sexual violence that do not come to the public's knowledge. Domestic and sexual violence thrive on coercive control and inequitable power differentials. Statistics consistently show that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men are victims of domestic and/or sexual violence. Attorney General Schuette pointed out that cases of human trafficking and in this case more specifically, sex trafficking, characteristically incorporate violent methods of exploitation, confinement, drugging and other means of control. EVE and our collaborative partners are here to work with you to support individuals affected by domestic and sexual assault and walk with them as they heal. Your support of community based agencies is crucial. We, as community members, citizens, neighbors, and humans must come together as a voice of hope, healing and support for victims and each other. Together, and only together, will we create the safe and caring community we seek.

In peace and healing, Erin Roberts, Executive Director"

LSJ Article of Interest: "LGBT leader Bill Beachler remembered as 'trailblazer'"

www.lansingstatejournal.com/story/news/local/2016/01/14/lgbt-leader-bill-beachler-remembered-trailblazer/78820416/

"William "Bill" Beachler spent decades on the front lines of the human rights movement. Along the way, he never wavered in his commitment to break down barriers to equality and raise awareness of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues, friends and fellow activists said. "He was not one of those people who just complained about things," Lansing City Councilwoman Carol Wood said. "He actually did something about it." Beachler, of Lansing, died Jan. 11. He was 70."

It's On Us Video of Interest: "1 in 5"

www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNVFPkmZTQ4&feature=youtu.be

"This angry, hungry bear in our house is a big problem. You wouldn't put up with that. So don't put up with this. 1 in 5 women will be sexually assaulted by the time they finish college. Do something about it. Take the pledge at www.itsonus.org."

Conferences and Workshops

Annual Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Conference: "Bodies in Negotiation: rethinking dangers and pleasures in the 21st century"

April 2, Gettysburg College, PA

http://centralpennsylvaniaconsortium.org/annual-womens-gender-sexuality-studies-wgss-conference/

The theme of this conference is "Bodies in Negotiation: rethinking dangers and pleasures in the 21st century. The scope of this conference is to investigate the many ways systems of criminal justice, migration, sex work, care work, ability, renegotiate feminist understandings of the interplay between Dangers and Pleasures. This year's conference will address the interaction between danger and pleasure through topics that include but are not limited to "incarceration and carceral protectionism/humanitarianism;" "sex work, trafficking, and migration;" "Gender identity, gender non-conformity, and gender violence;" "sexuality, race, and gender." For further questions, contact Kathy Missildine (Kathy.missildine@fandm.edu), 717-291-4282, or Lidia HwaSoon Anchisi, associate professor of Italian and chair of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Gettysburg College (hanchisi@gettysburg.edu).

THINKING GENDER: Spatial Awareness, Representation, and Gendered Spaces Graduate Student Research April 7-8, UCLA, CA

www.csw.ucla.edu

Thinking Gender 2016 with the conference theme of "Spatial Awareness, Representation & Gendered Spaces": will engage with the politics of gender, race, sexuality, and space. We also intend to address international and transnational encounters, and colonization and decolonization practices, and topics that focus on the awareness of self, representation, and the navigation and negotiation of social and cultural space. Topics may include: Gender representation and state feminism; Physical culture and the body; Innovation through gender; Productive and reproductive labors; Security and gendered nationalism; Implicit bias and stereotype threat; Migration and transnational encounters; Women, gender, and health; Women and sustainable development; Identity formation in memory and memoir; Controversial and transgressive art; Socialization and sexuality. Event is free and open to the public.

MSU's 23rd *Annual Dia de la Mujer* Conference April 9, 8:00am-5:00pm, Kellogg Center, MSU

www.facebook.com/events/1642580462686775/

The Día de la Mujer Conference began in 1994 to highlight the accomplishments of Latina women in our community. Since that time DDLM has grown into a multi-faceted series of workshops focusing on education, health, political, inter-personal relationships, culture, personal development, and self-empowerment for Latinas of all ages and backgrounds. DDLM is also an excellent opportunity for non-Latinos, who are interested in learning about the beliefs, views, and way of life in the Latino community. We encourage everyone to attend and participate in all that DDLM has to offer. DDLM is open and inclusive of all who value diversity and wish to learn about the growing Latino community. MSU student attendance is FREE!

Gender, Bodies & Technology: (In) Visible Futures Conference April 21-23, Roanoke, VA

www.cpe.vt.edu/gbt/

Gender, Bodies, & Technology (GBT) is an initiative within Women's and Gender Studies at Virginia Tech that aims to creatively and intellectually explore the multiple, proliferating, and gendered dimensions of technologized bodies and embodied technologies. Through our initiative and biannual conference, we seek to demonstrate, theorize, and perform the discursive and material nodes around which gender, bodies, and technologies both cohere and fracture. We invite scholars, activists, and artists from the humanities, social and natural sciences, visual and performing arts, life sciences, disability studies, STEM fields, and queer and

feminist science studies for papers, panels, workshops, new media, art, and performance pieces that explore the intersections of gender, bodies & technology in contexts ranging from virtual reality labs and engineering classrooms to grassroots movements and queer and feminist hacking spaces. How, we ask, might topics such as computer hacking, mass incarceration, or neuroscience produce new lines of inquiry when filtered through a GBT perspective? For more information or questions please contact: Christine Labuski/GBT Coordinator and Conference Director Women's and Gender Studies Program, Department of Sociology, Virginia Tech, McBryde Hall (0137) Blacksburg, VA, 24061 USA chrislab@vt.edu.

CODESRIA Symposium on Gender: Women's Struggles Today May 9-10, Cairo, Egypt

www.codesria.org/spip.php?rubrique158&lang=en

The Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) announces the organization of the CODESRIA Gender symposium. This year, the topic of the annual forum will be "Women's Struggles Today". Paying attention to African history is to try and understand, beyond silences and omissions, women's struggles to bring key contributions to the development and emancipation of their societies. Without travelling far into history, one can say that through their participation in anti-colonial fights to defend both their economic interests and political rights as well as their frontline involvement in popular protests of the post-colonial period, African women have always demonstrated their ability to evade the private space configured for them by society and its patriarchal values. Today, women's struggles must be understood through a paradox which materializes the complexity specific to our days. Even if African women have gained greater visibility thanks to the positions they currently fill in local, national and international organizations, one cannot avoid the feminization of poverty, the non-attainment of the MDGs, the scale of gender-based violence and terrorism which downgrade them to the status of mere human bombs and sex slaves serving ideologies which ignore the sanctity of life.

What struggle strategies do African women develop today in a context marked by neoliberal hegemony with an amplification of poverty and inequalities in societies in which they live in greater vulnerability, especially in an environment of land grabbing and climate change? How do African women struggle and develop a discourse in their quest for equality and the full realization of their citizenship in a context of resurgence of cultural and religious fundamentalism, with terrorism and insecurity gaining more and more ground on the continent? What can be the impact of the rise of homophobia on African women's struggle and even the very receptiveness to their discourses? What are the new challenges imposed today on the struggle of African by the current trajectory of the African States which looks like an "ambiguous adventure" of democracy (the Arab Spring, constitutional changes, empty political debate and fragmentation of the political space)? To which extent does the observed security drift, both at global and local levels, and the exacerbation of violence it generates impact on the struggle of African women today? How do women build spaces for contesting and for influencing public policies for greater consideration of their rights and liberties? How have the African Union and the sub-regional organizations carried the struggles of African women and how does this influence the agenda of these organizations to better reflect the issue of gender equality both economically and politically? This important meeting shall also provide an opportunity to question the female leadership personalities emerging today on the continent, the new types of women's organizations and the features of the women's social movement in the current context. Other highlights will include new issues in the women's struggle agenda and how women's ways of doing things are impacted by the social networks and other ITCs. What have been the responses of the States and other segments of society? These issues and others not listed here shall be at the heart of the debates for the 2016 edition of the CODESRIA Annual Gender Symposium. The Symposium will provide an opportunity for African scholars to present their research on the selected theme and also to exchange views with their peers and contribute in the development of an African perspective. For specific questions, please contact gender.symposium@codesria.sn.

Gender and Migration Conference: *Critical Issues and Policy Implications*May 11-14, Izmir, Turkey

http://gamconference.gediz.edu.tr/

The conference will explore the following themes: *Mass Migration of Syrians: National and international security, sexual violence and sexual trafficking, child marriage, human shelters, education, uncertainty of legal status, working permit, gender based employment experiences, gendered human security, transnational families, illegal second marriage victimization, stigmatization of transnational families, camp policies, relations with host country, radicalized youth, refugee militarization. *Implications of Migration: How does gender influence migration decision and outcomes? How does migration influence gender relations? Who migrates and why, and how is the decision made? How does migration impact on migrants themselves? How do migrants perform in the host country labour markets, and what are the gendered outcomes? How does discrimination and equality in relation to gender, apply within the field of employment in a legal context? What are the limitations of the principles of non-discrimination and equal treatment in achieving entering the labor market? *Policies: What are the impacts of policies that cause gender-discrimination in the context of migration and refugees? What kind of policy and practices are needed in the global policy agenda to address gender equality in the migration context? *Family reunifications: Do some individuals migrate to escape the constraints of family life – particularly the gender roles? In general, who appear more likely to migrate to join or accompany other family members? What are the obstacles to family reunification? How does family reunification shape the migration policies of states? *Domestic workers: What would be effective laws and policies by the state central to the promotion of human rights and ending of conditions deemed to be modern slavery? What problems do domestic workers face? *Refugees and Gender: What is the legal, socioeconomic and political status of refugees in host countries? What are the gendered implications of migration for refugees? What are the possible policy interventions to improve the status of refugees? *Geneva Convention on asylum: What are the problems with the 1951 Geneva Convention related to aspects such as: definition, inconsistencies of interpretation and application, the migration channel, government concerns and government hypocrisy, inequities, etc. *Human Trafficking: How can we approach the human trafficking issue from a gender and a rights-responsive development paradigm? What are the victims' experiences, especially rooted in their unequal social locations, their special needs? Do the international law and the state laws protect the victims, or do we need revision in legislation?

1st International Women's Congress: Beyond Borders: Strategies for Women's Empowerment May 16-18, Ankara, Turkey

Registration Deadline: April 11

www.internationalwomencongress.org

The peninsula where Turkey is now located has been home for many goddesses, female rulers, female folk heroes, and female saints including Saint Mother Mary. Besides its historical significance, Turkey was chosen as the first venue for the International Women's Congress because it is a modern democratic country that joins two continents, (Europe and Asia), harbors numerous ethnicities and religions, and thus symbolizes a bridge in a globalized world. We are expecting a large and committed group of professionals and scholars at this gathering, whose contributions will be key in formulating sustainable solutions for the improvement of women's social, economic, and political realities. We hope this congress will provide a continuous platform for the empowerment of women across cultures and regions. The inaugural IWC will accept abstracts for oral presentations and posters on a range of subjects, including international relations, politics, business, sociology, health care, social work, psychology, literature, history, and cultural studies. The following are the themes the congress hopes to explore: Women and Leadership; Women and Migration; Women and Law; Women and Religion; Violence Against Women; Women and Health; Women and Nature; Women and Science; Child Marriage and Child Mothers; Mental Health of Women Survivors of Violence/Trauma; Girls' Education; Women in the Workplace; Women Paid and Unpaid Work; Women and Disability; Women and Gendered Norms; Women and NGOs; Women and Local Governments; Women and Disability; Women and

Literature; Women and Politics; Women and Substance Abuse; Women and Social Work; Women in Media; Women's Studies Research Centers in Universities. This congress is organized jointly by the Center for Women's & Gender Studies at Florida International University, and Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Ankara, Turkey.

Gender Studies in Debate: *Pathways, challenges and interdisciplinary perspectives*May 25-27, University of Lisbon, Spain

http://cieg.iscsp.ulisboa.pt/noticias/item/197-abertura-do-call-for-papers-congresso-internacional-de-estudos-de-genero

Gender and women studies and feminisms have produced important transformations in our daily life and in our understanding of reality. While the topic of equality of rights is increasingly on the public agenda, there have been advances and retreats and persisting gender inequalities continue to challenge us to look for more solid analyses. We count on you to address questions such as: what impact have had different gender equality policies on the effective implementation of rights? How to ensure the implementation of laws and prevent perverse effects? Power, relations of power, masculine domination and gender: which connections? Are there frontiers between activism and research, and if yes, how/where to draw them? How to balance the collective subject 'women' with ethnic, class, generational, sexual orientation, and global diversity? How is gender performed in daily life and in different institutions: between reproduction and agency? Heteronormativity, bodies, and sexuality: central issue for gender studies? Men and masculinities: new configurations? What backlash effects have the crisis, the increased inequalities and the neoliberal thinking had on the current life of men and women? We also wish to bring to the debate the contributions of researchers from different parts of the world to help us reflect upon the pathways followed by gender and women studies and feminisms in their geographic, political and sociocultural contexts.

WisCon 40 (Academic Programming Track) May 27-30, Madison, WI

http://wiscon.info/index.php

WisCon is the world's leading feminist science fiction convention. WisCon encourages discussion and debate of ideas relating to feminism, gender, race and class. WisCon welcomes writers, editors, and artists whose work explores these themes as well as their many fans. We have panel discussions, academic presentations, and readings as well as many other uncategorizable events. WisCon is primarily a book-oriented convention and has a track of academic programming that is open to undergraduate, postgraduate and independent scholars. One of the benefits of this track is that it strengthens the links between the wider feminist science fiction community and students and other scholars working on feminist SF and fantasy and related fields. The track operates very much like a conventional academic conference, with presentations based on extensive research. However, scholarly work on all aspects of feminist science fiction reaches an audience at WisCon that gives a kind of passionate and informed feedback that is rare at academic conferences. Over the years, people have presented papers on fantasy, horror, and science fiction literature, media and fandom, examining issues of feminism, gender, sexuality, race, disability, and class amongst many others. An incomplete list of possible subjects: Gender, sexuality, race, class, and disability in individual works of science fiction and fantasy, especially the work of this year's Guests of Honor Sofia Samatar, Justine Larbalestier, and Nalo Hopkinson; Feminist, queer, critical race, and critical disability analysis of science fiction and fantasy in media (film, television, music, video games, online culture); Speculative aspects of feminist and social justice movements; Science fiction and feminist science and technology studies; Race, colonialism, and speculative fiction; Afrofuturism and related cultural movements; Fan cultures and communities; Feminist pedagogy and speculative fiction in the classroom. If you have questions, please email academic@wiscon.net. Registration is \$50 adult attending / \$20 teen & youth attending / \$15 supporting. Registration is capped at 1,000 members. We do not guarantee availability of at-the-door memberships.

Sexuality Studies Association 4th Annual Meeting: "Energizing Communities" May 29-31, University of Calgary, Alberta Canada

https://sexualitystudiesassociation.wordpress.com/ssaaes-conference-2016/

In keeping with the 2016 Congress thematic focus on "Energizing Communities" we are particularly interested in topics that problematize notions of community and belonging as they intersect with sex, gender and sexuality. As critical scholars and activists situated in relation to various academic, artistic, and political networks, we are involved in the creation of queer communities and kinship systems. The integration of academic scholarship and community-based research has a long and varied history. Critical sexuality studies resists systems of heteronormativity that privilege dominant kinship structures and sexual practices. Our association cultivates intersectional, decolonizing, and multidimensional theories and methods. We are committed to challenging homonationalist projects that re-inscribe normativity as a technology of governance. These re-inscriptions of power naturalize and privilege dominant epistemologies by subtending ways of knowing prevalent in other/ed communities. This year, we will explore the following questions: What are the places of resistance and collusion operationalized by contemporary sexualities and sexuality studies? Which communities and forms of belonging are made viable, and which are rendered uninhabitable within contemporary framings of sexuality? What are the affective stakes of critically "energizing" communities? How might we engage and envision cultures and communities in an age of global politics and transnational relations?

4th Annual Technology Summit on Working with Survivors of Abuse July 25-27, San Francisco, CA

http://techsafety.org/technology-summit

This unique 3-day training focuses on the intersection of technology and domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and trafficking. Covering a wide range of technology-related issues, this conference will be helpful to advocates, law enforcement, and legal professionals who work with survivors of abuse. For more information about previous Technology Summits, visit http://techsafety.org/technology-summit or check out last year's program book. All workshops will be 60-90 minutes in length. Registration for the Technology Summit will open soon and will be announced with other information through our listservs and on techsafety.org. Please feel free to contact us at safetynet@nnedv.org if you have any other questions.

4th International Anarchist Studies Network Conference: *Anarcha-feminism* September 14-16, Loughborough University, UK

http://anarchist-studies-network.org.uk/

The global resistance faces turbulent times, as the balance of hope teeters between inspiring mobilization and reactionary retrenchment. In Rojava, Kurdish communities are implementing libertarian socialism and feminist leadership on a scale unseen since the Spanish civil war, while world powers bomb the democratic Syrian opposition alongside ISIS. The mobilization of African Americans against police brutality goes beyond liberal platitudes to highlight systemic racism, while competitors for the Republican candidacy outdo one another in barefaced bigotry and misogyny. In these uncertain days, the elaboration of anarchist analysis which bridges theory and practice and speaks to the needs of social movements assumes increasing importance. The central theme for the conference is anarcha-feminism. By recognizing the legacy of anarcha-feminists and women's activism in anarchism we want to strengthen the ties between contemporary anarchists and feminists and use the recognition of misogynist practices and hierarchical gender structures to open up the event to other marginalized peoples. We hope to have presentations that are concerned with anarchism and one/more of the following: anarcha-feminist and queer theory, anarcha-feminist critiques of the state, anarcha-feminist histories, Ecofeminism, individualist anarcha-feminism, anarcho-primitivist feminism, posthuman, cyborg and sci-fi anarcho-feminism, Feminist critiques of anarchism and anarchist engagement with feminism, Intersections between gender, sexuality, race, class, abilities and anarchism, local anarcho-feminist struggles / experiences, Love, sex, relationships (or resistance to), Masculine and feminine representations and the

movement between them, Sex work and reproductive rights, The role of women and non-binary people in the struggle against capitalism. ASN conferences aim to breach new frontiers in anarchist scholarship, and encourage cross-pollination between disciplines.

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

http://senecafallsdialogues.com/about/call-for-dialogues-page/

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

www.nwsa.org

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).

Calls for Papers and Proposals

Gender and Migration Conference: Critical Issues and Policy Implications

May 11-14, Izmir, Turkey Abstract Deadline: April 1

http://gamconference.gediz.edu.tr/

Abstract submission: https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=icgam2016

This interdisciplinary conference is open for papers across disciplines, including, but not limited to legal studies, sociology, anthropology, economics, gender studies, cultural studies, migration studies, politics, international relations and more. Abstracts (up to 400 words) will be reviewed by the conference committee, and final decision about the abstract submissions will be announced on 7 April 2016. Full paper submissions are due on May 4. Submitted full papers will be considered for an edited book by the organizers of the conference; and selected papers will be published in an edited book by Cambridge Scholars in UK. The conference will explore the following themes: *Mass Migration of Syrians: National and international security, sexual violence and sexual trafficking, child marriage, human shelters, education, uncertainty of legal status, working permit, gender based employment experiences, gendered human security, transnational families, illegal second marriage victimization, stigmatization of transnational families, camp policies, relations with host country, radicalized youth, refugee militarization. *Implications of Migration: How does gender influence migration decision and outcomes? How does migration influence gender relations? Who migrates and why, and how is the decision made? How does migration impact on migrants themselves? How do migrants perform in the host country labor markets, and what are the gendered outcomes? How does discrimination and equality in relation to gender, apply within the field of employment in a legal context? What are the limitations of the principles of non-discrimination and equal treatment in achieving entering the labor market? *Policies: What are the impacts of policies that cause gender-discrimination in the context of migration and refugees? What kind of policy and practices are needed in the global policy agenda to address gender equality in the migration context? *Family reunifications: Do some individuals migrate to escape the constraints of family life – particularly the gender roles? In general, who appear more likely to migrate to join or accompany other family members? What are the obstacles to family reunification? How does family reunification shape the migration policies of states? *Domestic workers: What would be effective laws and policies by the state central to the promotion of human rights and ending of conditions deemed to be modern slavery? What problems do domestic workers face? *Refugees and Gender: What is the legal, socioeconomic and political status of refugees in host countries? What are the gendered implications of migration for refugees? What are the possible policy interventions to improve the status of refugees? *Geneva Convention on asylum: What are the problems with the 1951 Geneva Convention related to aspects such as: definition, inconsistencies of interpretation and application, the migration channel, government concerns and government hypocrisy, inequities, etc. *Human Trafficking: How can we approach the human trafficking issue from a gender and a rights-responsive development paradigm? What are the victims' experiences, especially rooted in their unequal social locations, their special needs? Do the international law and the state laws protect the victims, or do we need revision in legislation?

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Gendered Perspectives on International Development

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/publications/

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.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

https://us.sagepub.com/en-us/nam/trauma-violence-abuse/journal200782#submission-guidelines

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.

QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

http://msupress.org/journals/qed/subguide/?id=50-214-F

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 mater 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.

http://wjudaism.library.utoronto.ca/index.php/wjudaism/about/submissions#onlineSubmissions 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. Crossmethodological 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.

Positions and Internships

2016-17 American Association of University Women of Michigan (AAUWMI) Student Advisory Council (SAC) Application Deadline: April 25

http://aauwmi.org/state-student-advisory-council/

The SAC is a state coalition of college students who will advise the American Association of University Women of Michigan on strategies for the future of young women and girls, make program recommendations, write for the AAUWMI newsletter and blog, develop student workshops and introduce speakers at the AAUWMI Fall Leadership Conference and the State Annual Meeting & Convention. Serving on the AAUWMI SAC will provide college women with many opportunities to represent the voices of students, develop as leaders, network, and gain valuable, résumé-building experience. Members will serve a one year term beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017. Students are to participate in monthly electronic or telephone meetings and attend our Fall Leadership Conference on October 22, 2016 in Traverse City and our 2017 Annual Meeting & Convention next spring. AAUWMI will pay for SAC members' registrations to these events. Application form and instructions can be found at the above website.

Firecracker Foundation Volunteer Administrative Assistant opening

http://thefirecrackerfoundation.org/become-the-foundations-volunteer-administrative-assistant/

The Firecracker Foundation is a 501(c)3 charity with the mission of honoring the bravery of children who have survived sexual trauma with a community invested in the healing of their whole being. Due to incredible growth in the 2.5 years since the foundation's launch, there's a need for additional office support for the important programs and services offered to child survivors of sexual trauma and their families living in the tricounty community. If you are a person passionate about organization and systems with at least 5 hours of week that you can donate, please consider applying for this position! The Volunteer Administrative Assistant (Admin) provides administrative support to the organization. The Admin works directly with the Bookkeeper/Office Manager (BOM) and Executive Director (ED) in order to support the organization's administrative needs. Time Commitment: This job description is a part time volunteer position. Estimated time commitment 10 hours/week. Position may be shared among 2 volunteers. A description of job duties is available at the website. To apply for this position, please submit your resume and cover letter to info@thefirecrackerfoundation.org. Indicate in the subject line that you are applying for the Part Time Volunteer Admin Assistant position. DHS Clearance, background checks and participation in Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children training required.

GenCen Co-Director Position Searches Announced

Co-Director of Academic Programs application review began February 23, applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Information on the current candidates for Academic Programs Co-Director is available at this link.

Co-Director of International Research Engagement application review began March 9, applications will be accepted until position is filled.

ISP is conducting a search for two new Co-Directors at GenCen this semester. GenCen is headed by Co-Directors. One (Academic Programs, Outreach and Engagement), is primarily responsible for developing and managing the College of Arts and Letters Major and Minor in Women's and Gender Studies, the Graduate Specialization in Gender Studies, the LGBTQ minor, and outreach to community and women's organizations. The other Co-Director (International Research and Engagement) is responsible for promoting gender-related research and outreach across the campus and for fostering faculty-led international partnerships with other women's and gender studies programs around the globe. The search for the Academic Programs-focused position will be internal. The search for the International Research-focused position will be simultaneously internal and external. The Search Committee plans to conduct formal campus interviews for the Academic Programs position during March and for the International Research position during April. Members of the

Search Committee are: Fred Rauscher (Assoc. Dean, CAL), Emine Evered (History), Kristie Dotson (Philosophy), Leo Zulu (Geography), Andrea Allen (CASID), Amy Jamison (GenCen), and Laurie Medina (Latin American and Caribbean Studies/Anthropology).

How to apply for the Co-Director of Academic Programs position: For consideration, please go to **www.jobs.msu.edu**, search for posting **2733** and follow the application process. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter, a CV, up to 3 relevant publications. Applicants should also have 3 letters of reference emailed to the search committee chair, **medina@msu.edu**.

How to apply for the Co-Director of International Research Engagement position: For consideration, please go to www.jobs.msu.edu, search for posting 2734 and follow the application process. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter, a CV, up to 3 relevant publications. Applicants should also have 3 letters of reference emailed to the search committee chair, medina@msu.edu.

MSU CANR Assistant Director for Undergraduate Diversity

https://jobs.msu.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1458652904535

Description: The Assistant Director for Undergraduate Diversity reports to the Associate Dean & Director of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR), Office of Academic & Student Affairs. Principal responsibilities are to provide leadership for enhancement, implementation, and evaluation of pre-college programs; support for under-represented students as needed to enhance recruitment and retention; work cooperatively with CANR departments to coordinate events or activities focused on access and inclusion; and collaboration with other entities in CANR that provide opportunities for student learning, engagement and career enhancement as it relates to underrepresented students.

Qualifications: Candidate should have at least general understanding of agriculture and natural resources with a minimum of a Master's degree in Student Affairs, Higher Adult Learning, or closely associated fields. Background or expertise should involve student advising, particularly for underrepresented and culturally diverse populations; program planning experience; knowledge of student support systems (admissions, residence life and engagement) and budget management. Individual should have demonstrated competency in workplace technologies and promotion of effective teamwork among faculty, staff and students.

Asst. Director of Health Promotion, Sexual Violence Prevention Specialist at William and Mary Application open until position filled. Review of application began on March 4.

https://jobs.wm.edu/postings/23663

The Sexual Violence Prevention Specialist (SVPS) plays a key role in W&M's efforts to promote a healthy campus community and prevent sexual and interpersonal violence. The SVPS will provide leadership and expertise in public health and health promotion, with particular emphasis on sexual violence prevention and education in compliance with the Violence Against Women Act, and aim to enhance overall student wellness and success.

Contractual Counselor, SIREN Eaton Shelter

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis, position starting immediately.

www.sireneatonshelter.org/index.html

SIREN Eaton Shelter is hiring an experienced Master's level counselor. This position will provide individual and/or group supportive counseling specifically geared toward youth and families who have been exposed to or involved in family violence, or who have themselves been victims of violence in a dating relationship, as well as child victim of abuse or neglect. Counseling will be provided using an empowerment-based, family-centered approach, with goals decided upon by the juveniles' and parents' self-identified needs. This counseling is grant funded. Continuation of services are contingent on annual funding approval. This grant year runs from October through September. Grant also allows for some monies for client incentives to be used at the counselor's discretion. Requirements: Master's degree and relevant experience, training in trauma-informed counseling and effects of domestic violence on children, criminal, sexual abuse, and child abuse

background clearance, completed W-9, copy of liability insurance.

Full-Time Assistant-Professor-in-Residence in Interdisciplinary Degree Programs, U of Nevada, Las Vegas Applications reviewed on a rolling basis, accepted until position is filled.

www.unlv.edu/interdisciplinary / https://hrsearch.unlv.edu/currentvacancies.aspx (posting 16089)
The UNLV Interdisciplinary Degree Programs invites applications for a Faculty-in-Residence to begin fall 2016. This is a full-time, 9-month position. Primary responsibilities include teaching undergraduate courses in both Interdisciplinary Studies and Gender & Sexuality Studies; working with students; and participating in appropriate service in the department. Interdisciplinary Degree Programs houses a number of dynamic programs, offering both majors and minors in African American & African Diaspora Studies, American Indian & Indigenous Studies, Asian Studies, Gender & Sexuality Studies, Latin American Studies, Latina/o Studies, Multidisciplinary Studies, and Social Science Studies. Qualifications include an earned doctorate in an interdisciplinary field from an accredited university, in hand by July 1, 2016; teaching experience; experience in interdisciplinary studies, including Gender & Sexuality Studies or Women's Studies; experience with and commitment to a diverse student population. Areas of specialization are open, although we seek a scholar with proficiencies in one or more of the following areas: interdisciplinary studies; interdisciplinary/feminist research methods; race/ethnic, gender, class and sexuality studies; social justice.

Tenure-track position in Critical Race, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Indiana University Bloomington Applications accepted until position is filled.

https://indiana.peopleadmin.com/postings/1759

The first hire will have a starting date in August 2016, and be at either the assistant or associate professor level. The ideal candidate will be a scholar whose work is situated at the intersections of critical race, ethnic studies, gender and sexuality studies and must possess a PhD in one of these fields or a related field. Candidates from other interdisciplinary fields whose work centrally addresses feminism, sexuality and/or gender will be considered. We are especially interested in interdisciplinary scholars whose areas of specialization include any combination of the following: critical race and queer of color critique; transnational and postcolonial feminisms; film and media; dis/ability studies; and transgender studies. We are open to various interdisciplinary methodological approaches. Applicants must hold a doctorate by the time of the appointment. The successful candidate will be expected to maintain an active research and publication profile. Teaching responsibilities include both the undergraduate and graduate core and elective courses and advising student research at all levels, including direction of doctoral dissertations. Salary, fringe benefits, research and teaching expectations and opportunities are consistent with peer RU/VH institutions. To apply, submit materials electronically via the website above. Include a letter of application detailing how your research agenda, teaching experience, and philosophy fit with job description and department, a curriculum vitae, and enter the names and contact information for three references. Questions can be directed to Stephanie Sanders, Search Committee Chair, sanders@indiana.edu.

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

Applications accepted until position is filled.

http://spp.ucr.edu/jobs/cluster-hire-race-immigration-integration.html

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.

Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

MSUFCU Summer 2016 Unpaid Internship Award

Application Deadline: March 30

Have you found an unpaid internship for this spring? Did you know that MSU Career Services Network offers awards to help offset costs of unpaid internships? You may be eligible to apply for an up to \$1000 stipend! Award Criteria: *Must be current <u>undergraduate</u> MSU student in good standing; *Expected graduation in August 2016 or later; *Accepted to or actively pursuing a high quality, unpaid, career-related internship focusing on the following areas: non-profit organizations, government, media, the arts, public relations and advertising; *Demonstrated financial need (as determined by student essay and the MSU Office of Financial Aid); *Open to U.S. based internships only, preference given to applicants interning at non-profits located in the Lansing area, non-profits in Michigan and Michigan start-up businesses; *Program is <u>not open</u> to students interning with an MSU department, completing international internships, completing a Study Away/Study Abroad program or who are past Award recipients. <u>Application Process:</u> Complete our online application and submit your most current resume and personal statement via Desire2Learn. Log into <u>Desire2Learn</u>, Click the Self Registering Courses tab (upper right corner), search and click on the "MSUFCU Intern Award" to enroll in this program. Once added, open the course from your home page. Complete the application form and upload your most current resume and personal essay. For questions regarding the application process or the Desire 2 Learn course, please contact: Victoria Morris, internships@csp.msu.edu.

MSU GJEC Dissertation Research and Completion Fellowships

Application Deadline: April 15

The Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change (GJEC) Program, at the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen), is pleased to announce fellowships for MSU graduate students for the 2016-17 academic year. Generous funding provided by MSU's Graduate School has allowed for the development of four up-to-\$10,000 fellowship opportunities in two categories, Research and Completion.

GJEC Dissertation Research Fellowship

Eligibility for Dissertation Research Fellowship: PhD students at MSU who have completed all requirements for their degree with the exception of their dissertation research. Applicants must have dissertation projects that focus specifically on the gender dimensions of environmental and/or agricultural change.

Application requirements:

- Completed Application Form with Research Budget Itemization
- Copy of Approved Departmental Dissertation Proposal
- Five-page (double-spaced) Summary of the Dissertation Proposal
- Letter of Recommendation from Dissertation Committee Chair
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)

GJEC Dissertation Completion Fellowship

Eligibility for Dissertation Completion Fellowship: PhD students at MSU who have completed all requirements for their degree program including dissertation research. Applicants must graduate by Spring 2017, and their dissertations must focus on gender as it relates to environmental and/or agricultural change.

Application requirements:

- Completed Application Form
- Five-page (double-spaced) Summary of the Dissertation Research
- Letter of Recommendation from Dissertation Committee Chair
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Funding must be used during the 2016-17 academic year. Submit completed application and all supporting documents by April 15 to: GenCen Advisor, MSU GJEC Program, 206 International Center, 427 N Shaw Lane, East Lansing, MI 48824. Email: gencenad@msu.edu Phone: (517) 353-5040 Fax: (517) 432-4845.

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Conference Presentations

Deadline: Rolling

http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/undergraduate-students/funding/

The Center for Gender in Global Context will be awarding a number of travel grants up to \$300 to support graduate students who will 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 of 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

http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/undergraduate-students/funding/

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 of PDF format. Hard copies can be sent to the GenCen office in the International Center if preferred.

Study Opportunities

Summer 2016 MSU Courses of Interest:

AL 497: Representing Gender and Sexuality in Museums (1 cr). This is a two-week course (May 16-June 1, M/W 12:40-3:30pm) focusing on the MSU Museum's current exhibit "Up Cloche: Fashion, Feminism, Modernity." Led by MSU Museum curators Shirley Wajda and Mary Worrall, this workshop will use the exhibit as a launching point to examine how art, culture, history, and science museums present and address issues of gender and gender representation in their exhibits and collections. This class could be a great resume builder for a variety of majors. Open to all majors—non Museum Studies minors can request an override by emailing MSP adviser Britta Urness (urness@msu.edu).

EAD 315: Student Leadership Development. 2 sections offered, one in Summer Session I and one in Summer Session II. Both sections are offered online. Please contact Trina Van Schnyndel (trina@msu.edu) or Dr. Bill Arnold (arnoldwh@msu.edu) with questions. Open to all students in all majors. No pre-requisites. This course may be especially interesting to rising freshman, sophomore, and junior students who are/will be in student leadership positions or who plan to pursue student leadership positions in the future. The course is designed to prepare students for leadership roles on campus, as well as in their communities, careers, and organizational activities after graduation. Students examine several broad themes related to leadership: leadership language; self-awareness and personal management; awareness of values, ethics, motivations, strengths, and limitations; interculturalism and the importance of a global perspective; communication skills; group dynamics around decision-making, followership, power, and flexibility.

Oregon State University Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Fall 2016 Study Abroad in London September 4-December 10, London, UK

This faculty-led study abroad program is in conjunction with University of Oregon's GEO program, and will take place at the GEO Centre in Bloomsbury, very near Russell Square. Students from any college or university are welcome to participate and transfer credits back to their home institutions. Students may also take 1-2 additional courses at the GEO Centre for up to 16 credits.

Law & Order: UK (4 semester credits). This course explores a variety of British mystery novels and TV crime dramas from feminist and critical race perspectives. The selected novels and TV shows are set across an array of historical times and places in England, further affording us opportunity to explore British history and culture, the changing roles of gender, race, and class in the UK throughout the years, and British social institutions. Each week, we'll visit a "scene of the crime" related to the novel or crime dramas of the week.

Gender, Race, Class & Religions in the UK (4 semester credits). This course examines many of the religious traditions found throughout the UK with special attention to issues of gender, race, social class, immigration status, and sexual identity within the tradition. Drawing from transdisciplinary perspectives, we will explore the intersection of religion with significant global issues for the 21st century. Each week, we'll visit a religious site, such as the London Central Mosque and Islamic Cultural Center, Westminster Abbey, the West London Synagogue, and the Buddhapadipa Temple.

We'll also take excursions to Edinburgh, Oxford, Stonehenge, and Stratford-upon-Avon. We'll have a web site and application site up soon. In the meantime, please email **sshaw@oregonstate.edu** for more information.

MSU Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender

http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/academics/graduate.htm/#specialization

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

www.reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/ProgramDetail.asp?Program=7721

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 Specialization in Bioethics, Humanities, and Society

bioethics.msu.edu/index.php?option=com content&view=article&id=202&Itemid=29

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

www.slc.edu/womens-history

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

http://wgs.usf.edu/news/index.aspx

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

http://suflorence.syr.edu/academics/academic-concentrations1/gender-sexuality-studies/

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

http://web.wst.ufl.edu/

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.