

Centre for Women's Studies

POSTGRADUATE CONFERENCE WORKSHOP
GENDER RESEARCH
WITHIN & ACROSS DISCIPLINES

Thursday 4th March 12.00-7.15: The Treehouse, Berrick Saul building

Conference participation is an increasingly important part of doctoral work, both as a speaker and as a member of the audience. However, there are few opportunities to rehearse before the 'real thing'. The Centre for Women's Studies (CWS) is hosting a **free** one-day conference workshop to allow York students to do just that. Interdisciplinarity is central to the work of CWS and, as such, this year we are extending an invitation to our colleagues in other University departments, including English, Sociology, History and Politics.

The focus of the day will be on research in the broad fields of feminism, gender, sexuality, women, race, ethnicity and other areas of intersectionality. We welcome papers drawn from both the Humanities and Social Sciences and particularly those which reach across disciplinary boundaries.

There are several ways we invite you to be involved:

- **First year PhD students** are invited to submit a 100 word abstract for a 5 minute introduction to aspects of their preliminary research in the field. This is intended to allow students to share ideas and problems, and benefit from the constructive feedback of other students and more established colleagues.
- **Students whose research is well underway** are invited to submit 300 word abstracts for 15 minute papers.
- There will also be opportunities to **chair** panels and to act as **timekeeper**, open to any student.
- Everyone is of course encouraged to attend as **audience members** and support their colleagues with **feedback and discussion**.

Students who attended previous events have appreciated the opportunity to present their work in a productive, safe and friendly environment; experience a formal conference atmosphere; and demystify the conference process, alongside the chance to network with like-minded researchers.

Abstracts, queries and applications for chairing or timekeeping should be submitted to Jo Maltby at jkm502@york.ac.uk by 12.00 on Friday 5th February 2010. Successful applicants will be informed by Monday 22nd February. Lunch and refreshments will be provided for participants registered by **5pm Wednesday 25th February**.

Regular updated details and registration on: www.york.ac.uk/inst/cws.