Welcome to the Autumn Newsletter 2005. The summer saw the graduation of our 2003-4 cohort, which we celebrated as usual in Haleh Afshar’s lovely garden with wine and strawberries and cream on a beautifully sunny day.

During this coming year there will be changes in the staffing of the centre for Women’s Studies. Trev Broughton, who has been based in the Centre for 19 years, and who has contributed so much to its success, is moving to the English department. Although Trev will no longer be so central to the administration of CWS, she will continue to be involved in our activities, so we are not losing her. I would like to thank Trev for all she has contributed over the years, especially as Acting Director in the past and recently as Chair of the Board of Studies.

As a result of Trev’s move and the continued expansion of the Centre, we will be appointing a new member of staff and hope to be able to tell you more about this in the next newsletter. Meanwhile, Ann Kaloski is working full-time to help me run the Centre.

Stevi Jackson

Graduation Day, Summer 2005
Alumni News

As many of you know Amanda Bloor (2001) is the Vicar of a village called Turville where ‘The Vicar of Dibley’ is filmed. Amanda wrote to say she had had an interesting year and included a photograph of one of the years more fun events when Dawn French was in the village filming for a new series!

Congratulations to Yvette Taylor (2004) who has now started her new position as Lecturer in Sociology at University of Newcastle teaching her own course ‘Class: Continuations and Transformations.’ Since graduating last year Yvette has had an extremely busy and productive year, publishing a number of articles; ‘Inclusion, Exclusion, Exclusive? Sexual Citizenship and the Repeal of Section 28/2a’ Sexualities 2005, 8(3), 375-380; ‘What Now? Working-class lesbians’ post-school transitions’ Youth and Policy 2005, 87, 29-43; ‘Classed in a classless climate’ Feminism and Psychology 2005, 15(4) and ‘The gap and how to mind it: intersections of class and sexuality’ Sociological Research Online 2005, 10(3). She has given papers at International Conferences and in June travelled to South Korea to present a paper at the Women’s Worlds Conference. Before attaining her current lectureship at University of Newcastle, Yvette had already held two research associate positions.

Jacqui Gabb (2002) is currently working as a Staff Tutor and Lecturer in Sociology for the Open University and also, as the Senior Researcher, running an ESRC funded project ‘Behind Closed Doors: Researching Intimacy and Sexuality in Families.’ Her Research Fellow is another York Alumni, Melissa Dearey (Sociology 2005) and together they are examining how parents and children express and talk about intimacy within family units. The project aims to test the potential of eight methods of researching intimacy and emotion and compare and contrast these sociological and psychosocial qualitative research methods and see how these different methods affect the accounts of family intimacy that are produced. From this, they want to develop strategies to access families’ ‘private stories’. It is often a struggle to recruit respondents for research on sensitive topics and therefore this project also aims to examine the effectiveness of different methods of recruitment to sensitive topic research. The project is running from April 2005 to March 2006 and Jacqui is hoping to submit another application to the ERSC for a larger study on the topic after the pilot study has been completed. For further information please visit www.researchingfamilies.co.uk

Palgrave/Women’s Studies Prize

This award is made possible by the generosity of the publisher Palgrave Macmillan, who each year offer a book award to the student that the Board of Examiners deem to have produced exceptional work. The prize this year went to Yu-Shu Chen, who unfortunately couldn’t attend the graduation ceremony but Professor Stevi Jackson gave a rousing speech to honour Yu-Shu’s achievements.

Sadly, we have heard that past Japanese student Fumino Yokoyama (1998) has died, aged 35, of lung cancer. Hikari Wada (2004) contacted us from Japan with the news.
Congratulations to Madi Gilkes (1995) on her marriage to Fred in London in August this year.

After the success of last year’s booklet publication, I’m not waiting, doin’ it yrself now, Melanie Maddison has produced another booklet Colouring Outside The Lines.

Melanie writes;
As a consequence of the never-ending, inquisitive voice in my head that wants to learn and know more, and the constant twitch in my fingertips that urges me to write more, this collection of interviews arose to observe and explore current avenues of female creativity. As a (partial, kinda) offshoot of my MA thesis which explored female DIY music scenes [back in 2003], this zine interviews, promotes and supports the work of 21 contemporary female visual artists. From the Guerrilla Girls to Shelley Sacks, comic book artists to knitters, web artists to photographers, I hoped to capture art within a wide spectrum of contemporary work. The zine interviews, rather than just profiling these artists in order to comment on the strong relationship art generates between female creators and female audiences, as well as to grant these artists a genuine voice over their work, rather than their work being spoken of by art criticism alone.

The zine features conversation and artwork from:
Lisa Petrucci (USA), Guerrilla Girls (USA), Ariel Schrag (USA), Juliet Martin (Cyberspace), Gina Garan (USA), Jeremy Dennis (UK), Elizabeth McGrath (USA), Nikki McClure (USA), Lady Lucy (UK), Jacinta Bunnell (USA), Allison Cole (USA), Dame Darcy (USA), Kathleen Lolley (USA), Isy (UK), Tara McPherson (USA), Cat Mazza (USA), Jill Emery (USA), Debbie Drechsler (USA), Shelley Sacks (UK via South Africa) & Wynne Greenwood (USA).

Though if I’m being honest, perhaps my biggest reason for writing this zine was to connect with, talk to and gush over some of the women who mean the world to me, and who remind me of why everyday creativity is so important in this world-gone-mad!

You can contact Melanie on email m_k_maddison@hotmail.com
Congratulations to Helen Graham (2004) who graduated this summer having been awarded a PhD for her thesis ‘Politics, Feeling, Art: Activating Moments of the Women’s Liberation Movement for Contemporary Politics.’

Congratulations to Joanna Woodiwiss (2004) who graduated this summer having been awarded a PhD for her thesis ‘Stories to Live by, Selves to Live with: Constructing the Self through Narratives of Childhood Sexual Abuse.’

Congratulations to Jieyu Liu (2004) who graduated this summer having been awarded a PhD for her thesis ‘Women Workers of the ‘Unlucky Generation’: Gendering Redundancy in Urban China.’ Jieyu’s position as a post-doctoral fellow in the School of Social Science and Cultural Studies at the University of Sussex has been extended for another year. Her research topic is ‘the impact of China’s economic reforms upon young women.’

Congratulations to Joan Heggie (2003) who graduated this summer having been awarded a PhD for her thesis ‘Uniform Identity? Lesbians and the Negotiation of Gender and Sexuality in the British Army since 1950.’

Congratulations to Anne Fairbank (2003) who was awarded a PhD for her thesis ‘Grandmotherhood: Meaning, Experience and Practice.’

Immediately after completing her PhD, Anne flew out to Sri Lanka to meet up with another past CWS student Janaki Jayawardena (2003). Anne and Janaki have set up a Trust fund for a family of three Sri Lankan children who were orphaned by the Tsunami. Janaki did her research for her PhD thesis (Cultural Construction of the ‘Sinhala Woman’ and Women’s lives in Post-Independence Sri Lanka) in the area where the children live; a village in the Bundala Sanctuary on the East Coast of Sri Lanka near Hambantota. Ajith is 11 yrs old, his brother Rajith is 9 and their sister Dulmi is 2 yrs old.

They are living with their grandmother and attempting to rebuild their home and their...
lives. Ajith is acting as head of the household and is not able to attend school. They are determined to stay together as a family. Janaki acting as a guardian for them and a local grass roots NGO (Sarvodaya) is administering the fund on a long term basis. Janaki visits them regularly, has them to stay for vacations and wants to help with their education.

Anne writes from her recent trip:
'The kids are doing really well - the two boys came up to Colombo for three days just before I came back and stayed at Janaki’s with us - it was really nice to have some fun time with them and to get to know them better.'

If you would like to contribute, the bank account details are: Lloyds TSB, 1 St Nicholas Street, Scarborough, YO11 2YY.
Account name: Sri Lanka Orphan Appeal
Account number: 0910757, sort code 30-97-43.
Anne Fairbank is the treasurer and can be contacted on anne.fairbank@btopenworld.com

CWS News

The Centre is very pleased to announce that a number of new and existing students have won awards to support their studies:

AHRC award; Lizzie Guinness
(MPhil/PhD 1st year)

ESRC 1+3 award; Corinna Tomrley
(MA Women’s Studies - Social Research)

C-SAP Postgraduate Funding; Jody Mellor
(PhD 3rd year)

Jody writes about her C-SAP funding: Being a PhD student is an incredibly isolating experience! But there are many events that students can become involved in to put you into contact with other students and researchers in relevant fields. I’ve attended a few seminars and conferences for postgraduate students that I found extremely rewarding. I’ve met lots of interesting people and made many friends, and have gained feedback, support and confidence in my writing and presentation skills. This all makes the difficult PhD process a much easier journey! However, attending conferences certainly doesn’t come cheap; train fares, conference fees (often extra for meals), and overnight accommodation can cost a small fortune, and is usually outside of a student budget. Financial support, bursaries or fee-waivers do seem to be the most crucial factor in ensuring that students are able to take advantage of such events.

I became interested in organising a seminar for PhD students; I wanted to ‘give something back’ to the postgraduate community and I wanted to broaden my experience of managing events. There is a lack of events on themes of 'race', ethnicity and religion for students, and I particularly wanted to organise an event based on this. I came across the social science organisation, C-SAP (http://www.c-sap.bham.ac.uk/), which offers project funding for research and events on learning and teaching. Among other topics this year, one priority theme was 'race', ethnicity and education, so I decided to apply. I found C-SAP to be incredibly supportive of postgraduate involvement in the organisation. They offered useful feedback on my draft proposals and I was invited to attend a training day on proposal writing. In April 05 I was awarded £1000 to organise a postgraduate workshop entitled 'Ethnicities and Education', which will run on Thursday 24th November 2005, at the University of Birmingham. This workshop aims to provide an informal and supportive space for MA, MPhil and PhD students to debate and learn about issues of theory and research within the field of ethnicity and education. I also hope to develop a network of postgraduate links and to establish a database of postgraduates engaged in research on ethnicity and education. The workshop coincides with the annual C-SAP conference, and there will be bursaries offered, to assist students with conference fees and travel costs.

So far, I have really enjoyed organising this workshop. It has given me the opportunity to be pro-active about my PhD research, and I have met others to debate and learn about some important issues. I’m very excited about running the workshop and meeting the other students in November, and I hope it will be a valuable experience for all. For further information on C-SAP, or if you would like to attend the workshop, please contact Jody (jm232@york.ac.uk).
Professor Stevi Jackson has had a busy year in terms of international engagements. In April she visited Taiwan, where she gave two public lectures: one hosted by the Sociology department at National Taiwan University on ‘Gender, sexuality and heterosexuality, rethinking the intersections’ and the other at the Graduate Institute of Gender Studies, Kaohsiung Medical University entitled ‘Medicalised sexuality and heteronormativity’. In addition she gave seminars to graduate students at KMU and met with feminist scholars from other Taiwanese institutions and gave an interview to the main English language radio station.

The visit was organised by Dr Mei-Hua Chen, assistant professor at KMU, who gained her PhD from the Centre for Women’s Studies in 2003. A feature article about Stevi’s visit, written by Esther Ho Ding Chao (another of our past students) was published in the United Daily News.

In June Stevi was invited to give two keynote presentations. The first was at a conference entitled ‘Heteronormativity - a fruitful analytical concept?’, held at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim. Stevi delivered the opening plenary on ‘The social complexity of heteronormativity’. In Paris she also spoke on ‘Sociological critiques of heterosexuality: queer and feminist perspectives’ at a colloquium on ‘Epistémologies du genre’.

In June the Centre was very pleased to congratulate Professor Haleh Afshar (Politics) on being awarded an OBE for services to equal opportunities.

Haleh Afshar nominated Dr Shirin Ebadi to receive an honorary degree at the Centre for Women’s Studies Graduation Ceremony in July this year. After the ceremony she enjoyed the tea party in Haleh’s garden with the CWS graduates and friends.

Human rights campaigner Shirin Ebadi is the first Iranian and the first Muslim woman to win the Nobel Prize. She was the first woman to serve as a judge in Iran but after the Islamic revolution in 1979, women judges were dismissed. Shirin Ebadi led the fight to regain Muslim womens' rights. After 10 years, she gained an attorney’s licence and conducted
landmark defences of journalists, intellectuals and writers and their families accused of subversion.

Research student Kate Maclean was lucky enough to go on two trips to West Africa this year. The first was to pilot her questionnaire on women, microfinance and citizenship rights in Bamako, Mali and Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.

Microfinance beneficiaries in Ouagadougou who invested their credit in water barrels

She interviewed microfinance beneficiaries about the impact the credit had had on their lives, and staff from local microfinance institutions about how they see credit working for women. This pilot study formed the basis of her presentation to the DSA in June.

Visitors viewing and listening at the Exhibition

Visitors were encouraged to participate in the interactive nature of the exhibition through conversation and feedback forms, to think about the relationships between the visual, textual, and aural elements, and about the life-experiences of the participants. The exhibition was very well attended, and Cirihn was asked by University staff to recreate the exhibition in the future.

The second trip was to report on a microfinance and community regeneration project in Fada n’Gourma, Burkina Faso on behalf of York based NGO International Service. Kate was also invited to Manilla to attend the conference ‘A Gender Agenda: Asia-Europe Dialogue 3 Economic Empowerment for Gender Equality’ organised by the Asia Europe Foundation.

Cirihn Malpocher (Former MA student, now 1st year MPhil/PhD) held a community art exhibition in June, 2005, on the integration experiences of female, Asian, postgraduate, overseas students as part of her MA dissertation. The exhibition contained the photographs and key-words of her eight research participants, as well as their audio-recorded reflection pieces, that they chose/constructed to visually, textually, and aurally communicate their unique experience of integrating into life in the city of York and at the University.

Kate with microfinance beneficiaries at a karite butter processing unit just outside Fada
Julie Palmer attended the Noise summer school this year and writes:
This year the Noise summer school was held at Linköping University, in Sweden. There were sixty students, including postgraduate students from Spain, Italy, Iceland, Czech Republic, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Turkey and the Netherlands. There was also a large delegation of undergraduate students from the Antioch group, from the USA. The busy programme consisted of two interrelated clusters.

Week one was called ‘Intersecting Indentities: Gender and Power’ and there were excellent lectures about religion, globalisation, transnational politics and nationalist movements by lecturers including Gloria Wekker, Rosi Braidotti, Sarah Bracke, Kathy Davis and Meyda Yegenoglu.

Week two was called ‘Cyborgs and Intersecting Identities: Gender, Power and Contemporary Technoculture.’ This second week introduced Haraway’s cyborg figure and its theoretical and methodological potential through lectures about IVF, everyday technology, genetics in popular science, endocrine disruptors and the hypertext novel Patchwork Girl.

Lecturers included Nina Lykke, Celia Roberts, Jenny Sundén and Mette Bryld. The lectures were accompanied by daily, student led, workshops. The PhD students also had additional seminars, which focused on methodological issues such as Interdisciplinarity, Intersectionality and Writing and Epistemology. We also had the opportunity to present an outline of our research to the group and get feedback and questions. Despite the busy programme, students did have the weekend off to see a little of the Swedish countryside during an excursion with the theme ‘Famous Women of Östergötland.’ It was an interesting and intensive two weeks and we covered a huge range of material. It was also exhausting and daunting and disorganised at times but it was good to get a sense of the large European feminist academic community and to meet other feminist research students at the beginning of their careers.

Dr Elizabeth Buettner’s (History) book published last year by Oxford University Press 'Empire Families: Britons and Late Imperial India' has won Joint Winner of the Women's History Network Annual Book Prize for 2005. Liz has also been shortlisted for the Young Academic Author of the Year Award for The Times Higher Education Supplement Awards 2005. The winner will be announced in November.

In August Liz presented a paper at the 4th International Convention of Asia Scholars in Shanghai, China, and in September she presented a paper at a workshop on 'Material Culture in Affluent Societies' at the International University Bremen.

Liz is currently beginning a new research project with funding from a British Academy Small Research Grant.

Feminist Theory Journal has now moved to the University of Hull. Anyone interested in submitting a manuscript or book review should contact feminist.theory@hull.ac.uk

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Papers & Publications


Pei-Jung is now working on her second book about Taiwanese career women in Maryland, (USA) based on interviews she is undertaking there. Pei-Jung writes ‘They are from different careers, teacher, homemaker, attorney, artist, computer programmer and restaurant owner. I am interested in nature of the cultural, language barriers and also the gender identity they face in this country.’


**Janet Eldred** (1997) has published a pamphlet based on a recent pilot research project into the spirituality of older men in Methodist Homes residential care; *A Telling Minority: Spirituality of Older Men. A Pilot Study for MHA Care Group (2005)*
Professor Celia Kitzinger (Sociology) has given a number of papers and published articles this year on Same-Sex Marriage Activism (see box). Acting on behalf of Celia Kitzinger and Sue Wilkinson (who were legally married in Canada in 2003) lawyers from Liberty, served papers requesting a Declaration of the Validity of their Marriage at the High Court in August 2005. The case was covered by ITV and BBC news, by most of the national newspapers (including the Express, Mirror, Independent, Guardian, Times) and by the local newspapers in Yorkshire and in Leicestershire (where Sue works). It was also reported in the national Canadian newspaper, the Globe and Mail. There are live links to some of these reports from Celia’s home page at http://www.york.ac.uk/depts/soci/s_kitz.html

Photo of Celia Kitzinger and Sue Wilkinson at http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/north_yorkshire/4144466.stm

Celia writes: We were especially pleased that these reports were overwhelmingly positive and maintained a clear focus on human rights. We are arguing that a refusal to treat our legal Canadian same-sex marriage as a marriage under British law violates our rights under Articles 8 (respect for privacy and family life), 12 (right to marry) and 14 (prohibition of discrimination) of the European Convention on Human Rights. The case is expected to be heard sometime in 2006.

Birth Crisis Workshops
Celia continues to work as a researcher and trainer with Birth Crisis, a telephone helpline service for women in crisis after giving birth. During 2005 Celia co-facilitated two full-day training workshops (12 March and 3 December) for midwives, health visitors, doulas, breastfeeding counsellors and others who work with women in the post-partum period.

Celia feeds back to this organisation her preliminary findings based on conversation analytic research on recordings of over 500 calls made to the helpline.

Publications:


Talks:
Kitzinger, Celia. 2005. ‘Equal marriage: Challenge and compromise’ Departmental Seminar at University of California at Santa Barbara, USA. (9 February)

Kitzinger, Celia 2005. ‘Why equal marriage is a feminist issue’ Keynote address at the British Psychological Society Psychology of Women Section Conference, University of Huddersfield, UK (8 July)

Shaw, Rebecca and Kitzinger, Celia. 2005. ‘Memory as an interactional achievement: remembering callers and their problems in second and subsequent calls to the Home Birth helpline’ Paper presented at the 9th International Pragmatics Conference, Palazzo dei Congressi, Riva del Garda, Italy (15th July)

Kitzinger, Celia 2005. ‘Flashbacks, nightmares, panic attacks - why?’ Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (3 October)
Further news from Sociology

Clare Stockill has recently joined the Sociology department and writes;
I recently graduated from the Open University with an MSc in Psychology and, having been inspired by conversation analysis (CA) and its possibilities for feminist research, I knew there was only one place to continue my studies. I am therefore delighted to be joining the UoY this Autumn, to work under the supervision of Celia Kitzinger. 
I work full time as a lecturer in Applied Psychology for St Martin’s College of HE in Cumbria, so my registration is for a part-time M.Phil/PhD. I am sure this will entail challenges above and beyond those expected when conducting research, but I can only say that I am very much looking forward to it all.
In terms of my research, I am interested in ways that gender and sexuality are situated in mundane practices. Specifically, I plan to collect recordings of telephone calls between teenage girls and to use CA in order to explicate where gender and sexuality become interactionally relevant for young speakers. I hope my research will contribute to ongoing debates about the application of CA to feminism, social constructionism and reflexivity.

Rebecca Shaw organised a One-day Conversation Analysis Conference on 10th June 2005, Department of Sociology, University of York, with the following presentations:

Victoria Land (Department of Sociology, University of York) ‘Categories in talk’

Auli Hakulinen (Department of Finnish, University of Helsinki) ‘Couples talk: affect and uptake’

Merran Toerien (Sociology 2004 now MRC Health Services Research Collaboration, Department of Social Medicine, University of Bristol) ‘Prostate cancer treatment risks: talk-in-interaction in a recruitment appointment to a randomised controlled trial’

Shaw, R. and Kitzinger, C. have a paper in press (available online) ‘Calls to a Home Birth helpline: empowerment in childbirth’. Social Science and Medicine.

Victoria Land’s doctoral research uses conversation analysis to understand how and why sexuality is relevant in ordinary conversation between lesbian, gay, and heterosexual speakers and an article she co-authored with Celia Kitzinger appears in Research on Language and Social Interaction 38(4): 371-416. She has been Editorial Assistant for Feminism & Psychology: An International Journal for the last two and a half years and is handing over to Estefânia Guimarães.

Estefania Guimares, whose research is based on conversation analysis of women's reports of violence to the police, attended the Conversation Analysis Advanced Summer Institute 2005 at the University of California at Los Angeles in July.

History

Former MA student Emma Robertson (2000) graduated this summer from the History Department, having completed her PhD thesis ‘On the whole, if I had to work, Rowntrees was the place for me’: Women’s experiences of Rowntrees, 1936-1989.
Events

Terri He has organised a series of workshops and a conference with Yi-Han Wang. Please contact Terri if interested in either or both of the events (tch500@york.ac.uk)

Looking different, Speaking difference: A Language Workshop.
The aim is to bring non-native speakers of English who are not from any sort of ‘western' country together into discussions, idea exchanges and a process of making sense of their various experiences with languages. This space is ideally for people with a certain degree of familiarity with switching between English and one’s own mother tongue in daily life, both academic and otherwise. The central ideas are how the languages rewrite the perceptions of one’s identity from without to within and vice versa, and by examining this process of rewriting, people may be empowered by recounting, understanding and thus situating this specific aspect of one’s experiences with language.

Number of people: 5-10
Time: From week 3 - week 8 every Thursday, 14.15-16.15
Place: V/X/330
Ways of proceeding: discussions

Queering East Asia in the UK: a Postgraduate Colloquium.
This one-day colloquium is being held for East-Asian postgraduate students, researchers and others in the UK. We invite those who are interested in gender and queer-related topics inside this geo-political region of East Asia (Korea, Japan, China, Taiwan and Hong Kong) and who currently study, work or live in the UK. In addition to create a space for people interested in LGBTQ issues in the East Asia region to come together and exchange ideas, we also want to hold a session at the end of the day in order to start a support network for one another. The colloquium is on Saturday 26 November, at King’s Manor College in central York. For more details please go to;
http://www-users.york.ac.uk/~tch500/

York Lesbian Arts Festival 27-30 October 2005

A fantastic time was had by all at the UK’s biggest lesbian art event. On offer was a 2-day book festival, workshops, a cabaret and a fabulous dance for 2000 women, with separate club and latin/ ballroom floors (held at the Racecourse), a Celebration concert (taking place at the University’s Central Hall), an outdoor concert, film festival and ‘women’s walks’ (in York city centre). All women were welcome, and many events were open to men as guests. For information about YLAF 2005 and 2006, visit the website: www.ylaf.org.uk or contact Ann Kaloski, YLAF Chair, eakn1@york.ac.uk

Some of the Authors who appeared at YLAF
Women’s Studies Seminar Series 2005/6

Every year, the Centre invites guest speakers to present on a range of topics relevant to women’s studies.

This year, we have decided to change the frequency of the seminars, and they will be held mainly on alternative weeks during term-time. We have invited a range of speakers who cover some of the broad research interests of the students, some more ‘popular’ topics, and feminist activism.

This term, the seminars will be held on Wednesdays at 1.30pm in VX330. Additional guest speakers will be added to the Spring and Summer terms, and perhaps Autumn term as well - we will keep you posted!

Please do come along- you never know what might inspire you! Any queries or suggestions please contact either Cirihn Malpocher (cm510@york.ac.uk) or Lizzie Guinness (emg501@york.ac.uk).

Autumn Term

Wednesday 19 October
Dr Merran Toerien, University of Bristol
*Body Hair Removal and the Construction of Gender: A Multi-Method Approach*

Wednesday 2 November
Dr Julie Ellam, University of Hull
*Love in Jeanette Winterson’s Novels*

Wednesday 16 November
Meghan Reid, CWS University of York
*Title to be confirmed*

Monday 28 November
(in conjunction with Politics Dept at 4.30pm)
Sigrid Rausing
*Womankind; A feminist philanthropic organization*

Spring Term

Wednesday 7 December
Jody Mellor, CWS University of York
*Muslim Women and Class Mobility: Experiences of University*

Wednesday 25 January
Dr Susanne Clisby, University of Hull
*Gender and Popular Participation in Bolivia*

Wednesday 1 February
Dr Maggie O’Neill, University of Loughborough
*Title to be confirmed*

Wednesday 15 February
Betty East, International Services
*Women and Brazil, development and education*

Wednesday 22 February
Julie Palmer, CWS University of York
*Title to be confirmed*

Summer Term

Monday 8 March
Dr. William Spurlin, University of Cardiff
*Intersections between Postcolonial and Queer Studies*

Monday 8 May
Dr Brendan Gough, University of Leeds
*Parents of Intersex Babies*

Monday 22 May
Dr Vanessa Knights, University of Newcastle
*Title to be confirmed*

Monday 12 June
Dr Jane Elliot, English University of York
*Temporality and the Mother-daughter novel*