

Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies

Newsletter

Dear all,

With this newsletter we wish to inform you about relevant events, vacancies, calls for papers and other news.

On behalf of the NOG Board and the NOG Curriculum Commission, Prof. dr. Rosemarie Buikema, dr. Kathrin Thiele and Trude Oorschot

Conferences / Courses / Lectures / Events

Public lectures of the Angela Davis Guest Professor for International Gender and Diversity Studies 2018, Professor Amina Mama (Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany)



We would like to kindly invite you to the public lectures of the Angela Davis Guest Professor for International Gender and Diversity Studies 2018, Professor Amina Mama. The world-renowned scholar, author and activist is an expert for *African feminisms*.

Africa Unpacified: From Freedom Fighters to Feminists Public inauguration on June 30, 2018, 18-20h

In the Pursuit of Freedom: Feminist Intellectuals in African Contexts

From the Global South" on July 4, 2018, 18-20h

Professor Amina Mama will talk about theory and practice of African feminisms. The lectures deal with the different manifestations of feminism as results of a range of historic and social conditions in the countries of Africa. Amina Mama focuses on the interdependencies between militarism and the different forms of sexual violence and oppression.

Venue

Goethe-Universität, Campus Westend, Theodor-W.-Adorno-Platz 6, 60629 Frankfurt am Main Site map: https://www.uni-frankfurt.de/38093807/Campus_Westend-pdf.pdf

Admission is free. The lecture and subsequent discussion will be held in English.

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PhD Course on Gender and Research Methodologies (Radboud University, NL)



Organised by: Gender & Diversity Studies (Radboud University), Nijmegen School of Management and the Hochschule Rhein-Waal, Kleve and NOG.

This course serves as an introduction to research methods in interdisciplinary gender studies. Classical and modern debate on the use of qualitative and quantitative research methods from a gender perspective. Students will be able to gain a better understanding of feminist epistemologies and methodologies. They will be able to critically reflect upon the choice and application of research methods from a gender perspective in their own research.

The course takes two full days (3 ECTS), with an alternation of lectures, discussion of literature and discussion of assignments made by students. The first day will focus on qualitative research methods, the second day on quantitative research methods. Both days will take the different phases in the research process into consideration, namely design, research question, operationalization, choice of methods for accessing sources, data collection, data-analysis and interpretation and reporting. In order to receive a certificate participants must have actively participated in both days, read the assigned literature, written two short assignments on their own method selection, and actively participated in the discussions.

Organisers: prof. dr. Marieke van den Brink and dr. Inge Bleijenbergh. Lecturers: prof. dr. Marieke van den Brink, dr. Inge Bleijenbergh, dr. Niels Spierings, dr. Laura Dobusch, dr. Els Rommes and prof. dr. Ingrid Jungwirt.

More information on the preliminary programme, lecture details, readings, assignments and registration, can be found <u>here</u>.

Date and location: October 11 -12, 2018, Radbourg University, Nijmegen, NL

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NOG Masterclass with Katja Diefenbach – 'Possessive Individualism and Transatlantic Slavery in Early Modern Philosophy' (Utrecht University, NL)



One of Spinoza's first biographers noted that the philosopher's ink-and-charcoal drawings included a self-portrait in the pose and costume of Masaniello. The Neapolitan revolutionary was involved in one of the first mass insurrections of the Modern era. Recurrently, the existence of this portrait was used to illustrate Spinoza's position in early modern philosophy as an »Anti-Hobbes« (Negri) who – under the influence of Machiavelli's realism – was early to formulate a « mass standpoint in philosophy » (Balibar) with which he affirmed that legal authority « does not equal real force » (Montag) in that the stability of democracy rests on the potentialities of the masses which can never be subsumed under the name of the People, the Party or the State.

Our masterclass will start by showing that at the foundation of this doctrine of the conflictual constitution of the Republic by and through the passions of the multitude, we find a concept of natural law which Spinoza took from Hobbes in order then, step by step, to turn it against the latter's conception of ego-logical drives, possessive individualism and absolute sovereignty. What was thereby inscribed, deep in the origins of modern philosophy, is a fundamental disagreement about questions of appropriation, guilt and sovereignty, which also reflects the violent conflicts of early modern state foundation and colonial globalization.

Katja Diefenbach is Professor of Aesthetic Theory at the Merz Akademie, Stuttgart. Her research interests are French philosophy and epistemology of the 20th century, with a special focus on the relations between Marxism and Poststructuralism. She recently published *Spekulativer Materialismus. Spinoza in der postmarxistischen Philosophie* (Turia + Kant, 2018). She is co-editor of the volume *Encountering Althusser: Politics and Materialism in Contemporary Radical Thought* (Bloomsbury, 2013), and author of numerous articles on political philosophy, aesthetics and cultural theory. She has taught at various universities, such as the Berlin University of the Arts,

Humboldt University, and Jan van Evck Academy in Maastricht. She is an Editorial Board member of the publishing collective b books, Berlin.https://www.merz-akademie.de/personen/katjadiefenbach/

- November 22, 2018 Date:
- Time: 10:00 – 12:45 hrs
- Location: Utrecht

Co-organised by and J. Mascat (UU) and K. Thiele (UU) The Masterclass is open to PhD and RMA students (ECTS possible) Registration is compulsory: nog@uu.nl

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Save the Date: International Symposium 'Caring for the World. Ethos and Partisanship' (Utrecht University, NL)



Caring for the World. Ethos and Partisanship

Universiteit Utrecht Why and how do we engage in political movements, groups, and parties? On what basis we recognize and identify as members of a political community? How do we know that a particular cause or claim is "ours" and that we are ready to fight for it? How do we express and elaborate collectively our "care for the world"?

This international conference aims at discussing the ethical and political foundations of militancy by bringing together different strands of critical theory, political philosophy and feminist thought. Its goal is to reflect on the groundings of contemporary forms of political commitment by focusing on the ideological, relational and affective mechanisms (belonging, care, responsibility, indignation among others) that sustain long-lasting attachment to political ideals and enhance active practices of political engagement.

Confirmed Speakers:

Marieke Borren (Open University, Utrecht) Jodi Dean (Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY) Katja Diefenbach (Merz Akademie, Stuttgart) Femke Kaulingfreks (Hogeschool InHolland, Amsterdam) Jamila Mascat (Utrecht University) Ella Myers (University of Utah, Salt Lake City) Kathrin Thiele (Utrecht University)

Co-organised by J. Mascat and M. Borren, in cooperation with Amsterdam School for Cultural Analysis (ASCA), UvA.

Funded by Aspasia Diversity Funding/NWO 2016-2018: Activism and Its discontent. Participation, Partisanship and Belonging.

Date and location: November 23, 2018, Utrecht University **Registration: tba**

Masterclass 'Gendering Colonial Photography' with Prof. Patricia Mohammed (University of Groningen, NL)

What do we see when we look at colonial photography through the lens of gender? How does the (lack of) interaction between photographer and photographed come across? What kind of knowledge can (not) be gained from analysing colonial photography? In this workshop we explore the potential of analysing colonial photography through the lens of gender, under the guidance of Patricia Mohammed. We engage with examples of photographs brought along by participants who want to incorporate these into their research.

Patricia Mohammed is Professor of Gender and Cultural Studies at the University of the West Indies in Trinidad. She authored *Imaging the Caribbean. Culture and Visual Translation* (2010), a landmark study on the region's iconography, tracing over five hundred years of visual representations of the Caribbean by different stakeholders. She is involved in a diverse range of cultural and academic projects that seek to explore the boundaries of a Caribbean imagination.

Programme July 5 (tentative): 10.15-10.45 a.m.: lecture/introduction by Patricia Mohammed 10.45-11.00 a.m.: discussion 11.00-11.15 a.m.: short break 11.15-12.15 a.m.: presentations by participants 12.15-12.30 p.m.: short break 12.30-13.15 p.m.: analysis of photographs and questions

If you want to participate or attend as a listener please send an email to: <u>promotiemfokken@gmail.com</u> before June 1, 2018.

After the masterclass you will have the possibility to attend the defense of Margriet Fokken's PhDthesis *Beyond Being* Koelies *and* Kantráki. *Constructing Hindostani Identities in Suriname in the Era of Indenture, 1873-1921,* which starts at 16.15 p.m. at the Aula in the Academy Building.

Date and location: July 5, 2018, 10:15 – 13:15 at the University of Groningen

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Vacancies

Four PhD grants on Democratic Governance and one Postdoctoral Researcher (Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium)



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The Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB) Politics Department (Research programme "Evaluating Democratic Governance in Europe") has the following vacancies on offer:

One position for a Postdoctoral researcher (in three subfields of political science: political contestation, gender & politics, time & sustainability) Deadline July 6: <u>http://www.edge-programme.eu/news/vacancy-postdoctoral-researcher-political-</u>

Four positions for PhD researchers (in six subfields; for full details, see vacancy text) Deadline June 30: http://www.edge-programme.eu/news/vacancy-4-phd-students-political-science

The department welcomes inter-disciplinary scholars. Please notice that the PhD vacancies are open to soon-to-graduate MA students!

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Director of European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) in Vilnius, LT.



The second full term of the Director of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) Virginija Langbakk will come to an end in 2019. A vacancy for the new Director has been published on the European Commission's website. The Director is the legal representative and public face of EIGE,

and will lead and manage EIGE and take overall responsibility for its operations ensuring the achievement of EIGE's objectives.

Deadline to apply: June 29, 2018. Read more \rightarrow

Call for Papers

European Journal of Politics and Gender (EJPG) - submissions and subscriptions



This summer we celebrate the start of the brand-new peer-reviewed, cuttingedge journal, the European Journal of Politics and Gender (EJPG). EJPG is the flagship journal of the European Conference on Politics and Gender (ECPG), published by Bristol University Press, and is open for submissions.

EJPG's aim is to provide a space for dialogue across the broad spectrum of politics and gender, therefore the publication of original and innovative work is the priority of this journal. We welcome submissions from the broad field of politics and gender, including sexuality studies and research on intersectionality. Furthermore, EJPG is firmly embedded in global politics and gender scholarship, its scope is not limited to Europe.

EJPG will be launched with a big splash: a double issue in July 2018. This first issue will comprise a series of 'State of the Art' pieces by established and renowned scholars on salient and contemporary topics. The articles will be dialogues between two scholars producing an innovative, distinctive, thought-provoking, and ultimately influential contribution for the next stage of gender and politics research and new generations of researchers. Each contribution addresses research guestions and puzzles in a 'future-oriented' fashion: What is left begging by existing research? Where should new research agendas go? How might these dilemmas be better addressed or reconfigured theoretically and conceptually, methodologically, and empirically?

Contact us via ejpgeditors@gmail.com in case you need further information!

The ECPG Editorial team,

Petra Ahrens, Karen Celis, Sarah Childs, Isabelle Engeli, Elizabeth Evans, and Liza Mügge

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Erasmus Mundus GEMMA Master's Degree best Master in Family and Integration category



For the third time in a row, the GEMMA Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies has been selected as the best Master of its category in the annual ranking published by the Spanish newspaper El Mundo. The GEMMA master has been included as the best master on "Family and Integration".

You can find the information about our master and the other programmes selected in the different categories here: http://www.elmundo.es/especiales/mejores-masters/

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