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FEMINIST ETHICS

AND

SOCIAL THEORY

CONFERENCE

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The Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory is a professional organization dedicated to promoting feminist ethical perspectives on philosophy, moral and political life, and public policy.

Through meetings, publications, and projects, we hope to increase the visibility and influence of feminist ethics, as well as feminist social and political theory, and to provide support to emerging scholars from diverse and underrepresented populations.

Our aim is to further the development and refinement of new understandings of ethical and political concepts and topics, especially as these arise out of feminist concerns.

Thursday, September 22

5:00-7:00 **Registration**

7:00-9:00 **Editors Meet Critics: *Dancing with Iris: The Political Philosophy of Iris Marion Young***

Ann Ferguson (University of Massachusetts Amherst) and **Mechthild Nagel** (SUNY Cortland)

Commentators: **Brandy Burfield** (University of Massachusetts Amherst)

Sally Scholz (Villanova University)

Margaret McLaren (Rollins College)

9:30- **Graduate Student Meet-and-Greet**

Friday, September 23

8:00-2:00 **Registration and Book Display**

8:00-10:30 **Coffee**

9:00-11:55 **Concurrent Sessions**

Session A: De Beauvoir on Motherhood and Lesbian Existence

Chair: **Barbara Lowe** (St. John Fisher College)

9:00-9:40 **Sarah LaChance Adams** (University of Oregon), “The ‘Good Failure’ of Mothers in the Philosophy of Simone de Beauvoir”

9:40-10:20 **Megan B. Burke** (University of Oregon), “Beauvoir’s Phenomenology of Lesbian Existence”

Session B: Hope and Healing

Chair: **Melissa Burchard** (University of North Carolina at Asheville)

9:00-9:40 **Mariana Alessandri** (University of Texas, Pan American), “The Healing Power of Borders”

9:40-10:20 **Hilary Malatino** (Paine College), “What If It Doesn’t Get Better? Suicide, Negative Affect, and the Outside of Homonormativity”

10:20-10:35 **Break**

Session C: Questioning Reproduction and Mothering

Chair: **Lauren Weis** (American University)

- 10:35-11:15 **Amanda Roth** (University of Michigan), “Queering Reproductive Ethics”
- 11:15-11:55 **Shelley Park** (University of Central Florida), “Monomaternalism and the Politics of Mothering in Adoptive, Queer, and Blended Families”

Session D: Feminism and Agency

Chair: **Helga Varden** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

- 10:35-11:15 **Keya Maitra** (University of North Carolina at Asheville), “The Questions of Identity and Agency in Feminism without Borders”
- 11:15-11:55 **Allison Weir** (University of Western Sydney), “Feminism and the Islamic Revival: Freedom as a Practice of Belonging”

12:05-1:35 Lunch and Difficult Conversation

Please purchase your lunch ahead of time to bring to this meeting.

Topic: Professors without Class: Class (Under)Privilege and Passing in the Academy

Chair: **Chaone Mallory** (Villanova University)
 Stephanie Shiver (University of Utah)
 Mindi Torrey (Michigan State University)
 Celia Bardwell-Jones (Towson University)

1:45-3:00 Keynote Address

Title:
Chair: **Lori Gruen** (Wesleyan University)
Speaker: **Uma Narayan** (Vassar College)

3:00-3:30 Break

3:30-6:10 Concurrent Sessions:

Session E: Immigration and Refugees

Chair: **Ernesto Rosen Velasquez** (University of Dayton)

- 3:30-4:10 **Peter Higgins** (Eastern Michigan University), “Beyond Admission and Exclusion: What Immigration Policies are Just?”
- 4:10-4:50 **Serena Parekh** (University of Connecticut), “Defining Refugees: Border Cross, Persecution and the Importance of a Definition”
- 4:50-5:30 **Jamie Terence Kelly** (Vassar College), “Immigration and Illegality”
- 5:30-6:10 **Brooke Schueneman** (University of Georgia), “The New Anti-Immigration Discourse: Anchor Babies, Terror Babies, and Mujeres Latinas”

Session F: Care

Chair: **Jennifer Parks** (Loyola University, Chicago)

- 3:30-4:10 **Eva Feder Kittay** (Stony Brook University--SUNY), “The Completion of Care—with Implications for a Duty to Receive Care Graciously”
- 4:10-4:50 **Asha Leena Bhandary** (University of Connecticut), “Freedom to Care”
- 4:50-5:30 **Maurice Hamington** (Metropolitan State College of Denver), “Toward a Performative Theory of Care”
- 5:30-6:10 **Monique Lanoix** (Appalachian State University), “Labour as Embodied Practice: The Lessons of Care Work”

6:10-8:15 **Dinner** (on one’s own)

8:15-9:15 **Memorial for Sara Ruddick**

Hilde Lindemann (Michigan State University)

Saturday, September 24

8:00-10:30 **Coffee**

9:00-11:00 **Concurrent Sessions:**

Session G: Invited Panel: Transnational Feminism

Chair: **Ranjoo S. Herr** (Bentley University)

9:00-9:40 **Hye-ryoung Kang** (University of Nevada, Reno)

9:40-10:20 **Kamala Kempadoo** (York University)

10:20-11:00 **Alison Jaggar** (University of Colorado, Boulder)

Session H: Disorders and Disability

Chair: **Ann Garry** (California State University-Los Angeles)

This session is in honor of Mary Anne Warren.

9:00-9:40 **Nancy J. Hirschman** (The University of Pennsylvania), “Gender and the Politics of Invisible Disability”

9:40-10:20 **Peg O’Connor** (Gustavus Adolphus College), “Limitations and Embodiment: Rethinking the Imperative for Mind Body Integration for Sexual Abuse Survivors”

10:20-11:00 **Abigail E. Gosselin** (Regis University), “The Epistemic Function of Narrative and the Globalization of Mental Disorders”

11:00-11:15 Break

11:15-12:30 Keynote Address

Title:

Chair:

Speaker: **Azizah Y. al-Hibri** (T.C. Williams School of Law, University of Richmond)

12:45-1:45 Lunch and Graduate Student Workshop

Please purchase your lunch ahead of time to bring to this meeting.

Topic: **Writing and Publishing**

Chair: **Lori Gruen** (Wesleyan University)

Panelists:

2:00-3:20 Concurrent Sessions:

Session I: The Role of Identity Politics

Chair: **Ezgi Sertler** (Loyola University, Chicago)

2:00-2:40 **Lucy Langston** (McMaster University), “Taking Moral Practice Seriously: Non-Ideal Theory and the Implications of Transsexual Identities”

2:40-3:20 **Margaret Denike** (Dalhousie University), “Homonationalism and the Future of Identity Politics”

Session J: Practical and Theoretical Aspects of Epistemic Standpoint

Chair: **Margaret Crouch** (Eastern Michigan University)

2:00-2:40 **Annaleigh E. Curtis** (University of Colorado, Boulder), "Just Interpretation: Feminist Standpoint Theory and Experimental Philosophy"

2:40-3:20 **Charlene Haddock Seigfried** (Purdue University), "The 'Wise Latina Woman' Standard"

3:20-3:40 Break

3:40-5:40 Concurrent Sessions:

Session K: Issues in Feminist Theory

Chair: **Lisa Schwartzman** (Michigan State University)

3:40-4:20 **Jennifer Warriner** (University of Utah), "Feminism and Political Liberalism: A Return to Comprehensive Liberalism?"

4:20-5:00 **Regan Rule** (Binghamton University), "Lived Friendship is Non-Ideal: A Critique of Code's Appropriation of Aristotle"

5:00-5:40 **Jennifer Szende** (Queen's University), "Young and the Problem of Pseudo-Oppression"

Session L: Invited Panel: Immigration

Chair: **Peter Higgins** (Eastern Michigan University)

3:40-4:20 **Shelly Wilcox** (San Francisco State University)

4:20-5:00 **Lisa Sun-Hee Park** (University of Minnesota)

5:00-5:40 **Lynda Lange** (University of Toronto, Scarborough)

5:50-7:10 Concurrent Sessions:

Session M: Ethical Advocacy and Moral Repair

Chair: **Joan Callahan** (University of Kentucky)

5:50-6:30 **Melissa Mosko** (Marquette University), "Violence, Voice and Advocacy"

6:30-7:10 **Tommy Hanauer** (Binghamton University), "A Moral Understanding of Moral Repair"

Session N: Valuing the Body

Chair: **Susan Brison** (Dartmouth College)

- 5:50-6:30 **Cressida Heyes** (University of Alberta), “Crossing Streams: Feminist Philosophical Know-How”
- 6:30-7:10 **Ann Cahill** (Elon University), “The Difference Sameness Makes: Objectification, Sex Work, and Queerness”

- 7:10-8:30** **Dinner** (on one’s own)
- 8:30-9:30** **Business Meeting** (open to all)
- 9:30-11:00** **Reception**

Graduate Student Paper Awards

Sunday, September 25

- 8:00-10:30** **Coffee**

- 9:00-10:20** **Concurrent Sessions:**

Session O: On Moral Theory

Chair: **Chris Frakes** (University of Colorado at Colorado Springs)

- 9:00-9:40 **Lisa Tessman** (Binghamton University), “On Having a Bottomless Source of Moral Failure”
- 9:40-10:20 **Thomas Bretz** (Loyola University, Chicago) “The Untamable Other: What the Limits of the Human Tell Us about the Limits of Moral Theory”

Session P: Border Crossings

Chair: **Minerva Ahumada Torres** (LaGuardia Community College)

- 9:00-9:40 **Diana Tietjens Meyers** (Loyola University, Chicago), “A Conception of Empathy for Border Crossers”
- 9:40-10:20 **Celia T. Bardwell-Jones** (Towson University), “‘Home-Making’ and ‘World-Traveling’ in Feminist Politics: Conceiving the Borderlands in Transnational Feminist Communities”

- 10:20-10:30** **Break**

- 10:30-12:30** **Concurrent Sessions:**

Session Q: Epistemic Privilege

Chair: **Lorraine Code** (York University)

10:30-11:10 **Kara Barnette** (University of Oregon), “Interpreting the View from Below: Epistemic Privilege, Error Sensitivity, and Interracial Rape”

11:10-11:50 **Gaile Pohlhaus** (Miami University), “The Primary Harm of Testimonial Injustice: Asymmetrical Relations in the Epistemic Economy”

11:50-12:30 **Saba Fatima** (Binghamton University), “Muslim Scripts”

Session R: Gender and Subjectivities

Chair: **Cynthia M. Paccacerqua** (The University of Texas, Pan American)

10:30-11:10 **Bonnie Mann** (University of Oregon), “Gender Apparatus: Torture and National Manhood in the U.S. ‘War on Terror’”

11:10-11:50 **Katherine Cooklin** (Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania), “Julia Kristeva on Abjection and Fascism”

11:50-12:30 **Nathifa Greene** (Stony Brook—SUNY), “Habit and Inhibition: Notes on Stereotype Threat”

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