2014 Conference: Gender and Crisis in Global Politics

Davidson Conference Center, University of Southern California

General Schedule:

Friday
900-500 Workshop, “Gendered Political Economies of Peacebuilding” (details TBA)

Saturday
800-830 Registration and breakfast available
830-845 Introduction to the Conference
845-945 Jacqui True’s keynote, “Winning the War on War but Losing the Battle: A Feminist Perspective on Global Violence”
1000-1145 Panel Session 1
1145-1245 Lunch (included with registration)
100-245 Panel Session 2
300-445 Panel Session 3
500-600 Jack Halberstam’s keynote, ““Charming for the Revolution: A Gaga Manifesto”

Sunday
800-830 Registration and breakfast available
830-1015 Panel Session 4
1015-1200 Panel Session 5
1200-100 Lunch (included with registration)
100-245 Panel Session 6
300-400 Ann Tickner’s keynote, “Revisiting IR in a Time of Emergencies: Learning from Indigenous Knowledge”
400-545 Panel Session 7
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Saturday
8:30-8:45 Conference Introduction
Laura Sjoberg, Cynthia Weber, and Heidi Hudson, editors, *International Feminist Journal of Politics*

8:45-9:45 Jacqui True’s Keynote
"Winning the war on war but losing the battle: a feminist perspective on global violence"

Session 1 10:00-11:45

Panel 1A: Women Fighters
Chair: Cynthia Enloe. Clark University (*CEnloe@clark.edu*)

1) Paige Eager. Hood College. (*eager@hood.edu*) “Theoretical Approaches to Women and Political Violence.”
2) Ayelet Harel-Shalev. Ben Gurion University. (*ayelet.harel.shalev@gmail.com*) “Women Combatants in Conflict Zones- Israeli Soldiers in Different Voices.”
3) Sara Brown. Clark University. (*sbrown@clarku.edu*) “Where are the Women? Women’s Agency and the Rwandan Genocide.”

Panel 1B: Gender, Resource Extraction, Justice, and Policy Change in the 21st Century
Chair: Heidi Hudson, University of the Free State (*hudsonh@ufs.ac.za*)

1) Deborah Stienstra. Mount Saint Vincent University/University of Manitoba. (*Deborah.stienstra@msvu.ca*) “Northern Crisis: Women’s Relationships and Resistances to Resource Extraction.”
2) Gunnhildur Lily Magnusdottir. Malmo University. (*gunnhildur.lily.magnusdottir@mah.se*) “EU Climate Policy-Making in Times of Crisis: Is There Room for Gender?”
4) Susan Hodgetts. University of Ulster. (*sl.hodgett@ulster.ac.uk*) “Pursuing Research on Capabilities, Poverty Reduction, and the Role of Religious Organizations on Public Health”

Panel 1C: Culture, Media and Feminist IR
Chair: Laura Sjoberg, University of Florida (*sjoberg@ufl.edu*)

1) Catherine Jean. University of Florida. (*cjean@ufl.edu*) “Contextualizing Cultural Representations.”
2) Nicolas de Zamaroczy. University of Southern California. (*dezamaro@usc.edu*) “Can Cables Speak? Reading Between the Lines of the WikiLeaks Cables.”
3) Yael Swerdlow. Women’s Empowerment Foundation. (Yaelswerdlow@gmail.com) “The Importance (and Complexity) of Bearing Witness: The Challenges and Opportunities of Social Media for Gender Equality”

Lunch 11:45-12:45

Session 2: 1:00-2:45

Panel 2A: Roundtable: Feminism and Its Crisis
Chair: Julia Welland, University of Warwick (J.Welland@warwick.ac.uk)

1) Julia Welland. University of Warwick. (J.Welland@warwick.ac.uk)
2) Cristina Masters. University of Manchester. (Cristina.Masters@manchester.ac.uk)
3) Claire Lyness. University of Santa Cruz. (clyness@ucsc.edu)
4) Sam Cook. University of Santa Cruz. (salcook@scsc.edu)
5) Rosalie D. Clark. Nottingham Trent University. (clark_rosalie@hotmail.com)

Panel 2B: Forging Pathways Out of Crisis
Chair: Elizabeth Philipose. California State University, Long Beach. (philiposeliz@hotmail.com)

1) Sylvanna Falcón. UC Santa Cruz. (smfalcon@ucsc.edu) “Post-Crisis Peru? Emergent and Contested Human Rights Culture.”
2) Khanum Shaikh. California State University, Northridge. (khanums@gmail.com) “Legible Suffering and the Crisis of War: The Case of Aafiya Siddiqui.”
3) Sharmila Lodhia. Santa Clara University. (miga13@aol.com) “A Typology of Crisis: Charting the Unanticipated Outcomes of the 2012 Delhi Gang Rape.”
4) Dana Collins. California State University, Fullerton. (dcollins@fullerton.edu) “Rice, Storms, and the Making of Neoliberal Crisis: Analyzing Media Framing of Typhoon Yolanda and the Golden Rice Struggles in the Philippines.”
5) Molly Talcot. California State University, Los Angeles. (mtalcot@calstate.edu) “From Holding the Line to Creating New Cultures: Relational, Feminist Praxis in Climate Justice Projects.”

Panel 2C: Gender Justice in Times of Crisis
Chair: Judith Stiehm. Florida International University (stiehmj@fiu.edu)

2) Ruthlande Borga. Gent University. “Haitian Women Empowerment and Migration to the Dominican Republic: A Comparative Study in the Deportation Context of Haitians Migrants by November 28th 2013.” (bruthlande@gmail.com)
3) Nicole Ephgrave. University of Western Ontario. “‘Rape as a Weapon of War:’ Toward More Complex and Contextual Analyses.” (nephgrav@uwo.ca)
4) Fany Yuval. Ben Gurion University. (fanyuval@bgu.ac.il) “Approaching a Global Problem with a Local Strategy: Investigating the Law of the Advisor for the Status of Women in the Local Authorities in Israel.”

Panel 2D: Queer IR (in Crisis?)
Chair: Jane Freedman, Universite de Paris VIII (jane.freedman@gtm.cnrs.fr)

1) Sandra McEvoy. Wheelock College. (smcevoy@wheelock.edu) “Queering Field Work: Identity, Sexuality, and the Production of Knowledge.”
2) Cynthia Weber. University of Sussex. (c.weber@susex.ac.uk) “(Im)Possibly Queer International Relations.”
3) Laura Sjoberg, University of Florida. (sjoberg@ufl.edu) “The Invisibilities and Significations of the Queer in Military Prostitution”
4) Lauren Wilcox, Cambridge University. (lw487@cam.ac.uk) “Queer Theory and the "Proper Objects" of IR

Session 3: 3:00-4:45

Panel 3A: The Physical Security of Women in Crisis and Crisis Language
Chair: Shan-Jan Sarah Liu, Pennsylvania State University (ssl5094@psu.edu)

1) Cecila Ase. Stockholm University. (cecilia.ase@statsvet.su.se) “The Stockholm Syndrome Revisited.”
2) Marisa Tramontano. City University of New York. (mtramontano@gc.cuny.edu) “Physical Security of Women in the Crisis of Counterterrorism: A Quantitative Analysis”
3) Jillian Terry. London School of Economics.( j.a.terry@lse.ac.uk) “Counterinsurgency in Crisis: A Feminist Care Ethics Response.”

Panel 3B: 'A Feminist Lens on Other Crises in Southern Africa'
Chair: Jonneke Koomen, Willamette University (jkoomen@willamette.edu)

1) Nadine Lake. University of the Free State. (LakeNC@ufs.ac.za) “Corrective Rape’ and the Delegitimising Principle of Gender in Post-Apartheid South Africa.”
2) Kate Law. University of the Free State. (lawky@ufs.ac.za) “‘My God, I am the Wrong Color’: Gender, Victimhood and the Crisis of Whiteness in Some Recent Zimbabwean Memoirs.”

Panel 3C: Gender (Identity), Crisis, and Conflict
Chair: Paul Amar, University of California, Santa Barbara (amar@global.ucsb.edu)

1) Sam Cook. UC Santa Cruz. (salcook@scsc.edu) “The ‘Woman in Conflict’ in Crisis – Failure in Success?”
2) Joyce P. Kaufman Whittier College (jkaufman@whittier.edu) and Kristen P. Williams (Clark University). “Approaching the DDR Process using Feminist Lenses.”
3) Leah Dirske. University of Pennsylvania (ldirkse@sas.upenn.edu) “Conflict and Security from a Gendered Perspective: The Roles of Revolutionary Central American Women during War, Negotiation, and Reconstruction.”

Panel 3D: Gendering Ecological Crisis
Chair: Anna Weissman

1) Jade A. Sasser. Loyola Marymount University. (jsasser@lmu.edu) “Making Sexual Stewards: Youth and Population-Environment Activism in the Age of Social Justice.”
2) Patricia E. (Ellie) Perkins. York University. (esperk@york.ca) “Commons, Climate Justice, and Gender.”
4) Marjorie Huang (mhuang736@gmail.com) Independent Scholar. “Global Ecological Crisis Discourse: Gender and Land.”

5:00-6:00 Jack Halberstam’s Keynote, “Charming for the Revolution: A Gaga Manifesto”

Sunday
Session 4: 830-1015

Panel 4A: Migration and Displacement from the Womb to the International Stage
Chair: Kara Ellerby, University of Delaware (kellerby@udel.edu)

1) Shan-Jan Sarah Liu. Pennsylvania State University. (ssl5094@psu.edu) “Chinese Migrant Brides in Taiwan: Facing the Paradox of Marginalization, Integration, and Citizenship.”
2) Jessica Peet. University of Southern California. (jpeet@usc.edu) “A Womb That is Not One’s Own: Commercial Surrogacy in a Globalized World.”
3) Karmen Matusek. Old Dominion University. (kmatu002@odu.edu) “Human Trafficking and Feminist Research: A New Perspective.”
4) Amira Awad Osman. The Gender Centre for Research and Training in Sudan. (amiraosman55@yahoo.co.uk) “Agency and Resilience of Internally Displaced Women at the Displacement Camps in Khartoum, Sudan.”

Panel 4B: Roundtable Taking Responsibility in Soldiering
Chair: Lauren Wilcox, University of Cambridge (lw487@cam.ac.uk)

1) Judith Stiehm. Florida International University. (stiehmi@fiu.edu) “Taking Responsibility: Soldiering.”
2) Sharain Sasheir Naylor. University of Hawaii. (sasheir@yahoo.com) “Zero Tolerance: American Mythmaking, Sexual Assault, and Harassment in the US Military”

3) Ali Bond. University of California, Berkeley. (alibee@berkeley.edu) “PTSD and Moral Injury: Shifting Notions of Responsibility within Discourses of Post-Combat Suffering”

Panel 4C: Sexual Violence, Rape Culture, and the Politics of Crisis
Chair: Corrine Mason, Brandon University (MasonC@brandonu.ca)

1) Sabine Hirschhauer. University of the Free State. (shirschauer@yahoo.com) “What’s Culture Got to Do with It? South Africa’s Rape Crisis and the Politics of Identity and Belonging.”

2) Jane Freedman. Université de Paris VIII. (jane.freedman@gtm.cnrs.fr) “International Interventions and the ‘Crisis’ of Gender-Based Violence in Conflict.”

3) Tina Beyene. UCLA. (tina_beyene@yahoo.com) “‘A Cockroach Cannot Give Birth to a Butterfly’ Overpopulation and Refugee Discourses As Colonial Precursors of Gender-Based Violence in the Rwandan Genocide.”


Panel 4D: Roundtable: Theorizing and Positioning Feminist Work on Security
Chair: Carol Cohn, University of Massachusetts, Boston (Carol.Cohn@umb.edu)

1) Annick T. R. Wibben, University of San Francisco (awibben@usfca.edu)

2) Terrell Carver, University of Bristol (t.carver@bristol.ac.uk)

3) Jacqui True, Monash University (jacqui.true@monash.edu)

4) Laura Sjoberg, University of Florida (sjoberg@ufl.edu)

5) Cynthia Enloe, Clark University (CEnloe@clarku.edu)

Session 5: 10:15-12:00
Panel 5A: Book Panel: Leela Fernandes’ Transnational Feminism in the United States
Chair: Stacey Hunt. Auburn University. (staceyhunt@auburn.edu)

1) Leela Fernandes. University of Michigan (author) (leelaf@umich.edu)

2) Stacey Hunt. Auburn University. (staceyhunt@auburn.edu)

3) Sandra Harding. UCLA. (sharding@gseis.ucla.edu)

4) Breny Mendoza. California State University, Northridge. (breny.mendoza@csun.edu)

5) Elisabeth Jay Friedman. San Francisco College of Arts and Sciences. (ejfriedman@usfca.edu)

6) Marianne Marchand. Universidad de las Americas.

7) Jane Junn. University of Southern California
Panel 5B: Women, Gender, and Social Movements
Chair: Jessica Peet, University of Southern California (jpeet@usc.edu)

1) Kara Ellerby. University of Delaware. (kellerby@udel.edu) “Add-Women-and-Stir:’ Trends in the Global Promotion of Women’s Inclusion.”
2) Agnes Meroka. University of Nairobi. (agi.meroka@gmail.com) “Ethnicity and the Political Crises in Africa: A feminist perspective.”
3) Jenny Hedstrom. International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (j.hedstrom@idea.int) “We demanded to go to the battlefield! We were very excited to go!” female soldiers and conflict in Myanmar.
4) Salma Syed. Stockholm University. (salmasyed77@gmail.com) “Standing in ‘Square Circle’ – A Crisis of Situated Identity”
5) Omid Mohamadi. UC Santa Cruz. (omohamad@ucsc.edu) “A Misreading of Crisis: The 2009 Election Protests in Iran and the Iranian Women’s Movement.”

Panel 5C: Biopolitics and Logics of Security
Chair: Terrell Carver, University of Bristol (t.carver@bristol.ac.uk)

1) Evren Eken. Independent Scholar (evren_eken@yahoo.com) and Ali Erol, American University, (erol@american.edu) “Cover Yourself or Be Mine: From Drone Proof Cities to Rape Proof Bodies, the Masculinity of Empire.”
2) Julia Welland. University of Warwick. (j.welland@warwick.ac.uk) “Rescripted Feminine Bodies and the Reinvigoration of Liberal Violence.”
4) Lauren Wilcox. University of Cambridge. (lw487@cam.ac.uk) “Embodying War: Feminist/Queer Sense and Sensibilities.”

Panel 5D: Women’s Leadership
Chair: Catherine Jean, University of Florida (cjean@ufl.edu)

1) Mussarat Jabeen. University of Sargodha. (mjabeenasif@yahoo.com) “Gender Quotas and Women Empowerment in Legislatures: A Critical Analysis of the South Asia.”
2) Pallavi Guha. University of Maryland. (pguha@umd.edu) “The Curious Case of Gender Underrepresentation: Assessing the role of media in underrepresentation of women in public offices in US & India.”
3) Melanie Allen. International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance. (m.allen@idea.int) “Navigating the Frontier: Women in the New Constitution Building.”
4) María Catalina Monroy, Universidad Sergio Arboleda, (monroy.macatalina@gmail.com) “Women in Foreign Policy: the more, the better? A discussion of Colombian women´s roles and perceptions towards foreign policy”

Lunch 12:00-1:00
Session 6: 1:00-2:45

Panel 6A: Roundtable on Methodology and Philosophy of Science: New Directions for International Feminist Politics
Chair: Sandra Harding. UCLA. (sharding@gseis.ucla.edu)

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2) Catia Confortini. Wellesley College (cconfort@wellesley.edu)
3) Cynthia Enloe. Clark University. (cenloe@clarku.edu)
4) Sonalini Sapra. Saint Mary’s College. (ssapra@saintmarys.edu)
5) Annick T.R. Wibben. University of San Francisco. (awibben@usfca.edu)

Panel 6B: Engendering Empire in an Era of US Decline: Feminisms Grapple with Shifting Biopolitical Formations of Sexuality and Terror
Chair: Emilie Dionne, UC Santa Cruz (edionne@ucsc.edu)

2) Rana Jaleel. Columbia School of Law. (rana.jaleel@gmail.com) “War, Rape and the Muslim Detainee: The Ethno-Sexual Logics of Global Governance in the War on Terror.”
3) Lisa Duggan. New York University. (lisa.duggan@nyu.edu) “We Know How Warmly the Islamos Embrace Dikes’: the Gender and Sexual Politics of the BDS Battle.”

Panel 6C: Positioning Women’s Human Rights
Chair: Joyce Kaufman, Whittier College (jkaufman@whittier.edu)

2) Sheherazade Jafari. American University. (sjafari@gmail.com) “Women’s Rights Advocacy in Muslim-Majority Countries: Traversing, Negotiating, Transcending Religious-Secular Divides.”
3) Amy Logan. Independent Scholar. (amy@amylogan.com) “Why an Epidemic of Honor Violence is Not a Crisis.”
5) Mohamed Kamara, International Youth Council Sierra Leone (mohamedskamara371@yahoo.com) “The LGBT Issue in Sierra Leone.”
Panel 6D: The Political Economy of Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment  
Chair: Jacqui True, Monash University (Jacqui.True@monash.edu)

1) Anna Carella (anna.c.carella@vanderbilt.edu) and Brooke Ackerly (brooke.ackerly@Vanderbilt.Edu). Vanderbilt University. “Ignoring Rights is Wrong: A Critique of Economic Empowerment as ‘Investing’ in ‘Vulnerable’ Girls and Women.”
2) Amanda Watson (Amanda.watson@uottawa.ca) and Corinne Mason (MasonC@branou.ca). University of Ottawa. “Power of the first hour: Is there a transnational breastfeeding crisis?”
3) Sigal Nagar-Ron. Sapir College, Israel. (sigalro68@gmail.com) “Another Perspective on the Impact of Economic Crisis on Marginalized Women- The Case of Mizrahi Women Work Experience in Southern Israel.”
4) Illana Shoshan. Women’s Empowerment Foundation. (Illanad@mac.com) “The Effect of the Iron Ceiling on Israeli women's advancement into public and private sector senior management positions”

3:00-4:00 Ann Tickner’s Keynote, “Revisiting IR in a Time of Emergencies: Some Indigenous and Postcolonial Perspectives”

Session 7: 4:15-6:00

Panel 7A: Theorizing Crisis through Gender Lenses  
Chair: Sheherazade Jafari, American University (sjafari@gmail.com)

1) Katharina Hajek. University of Vienna. (katharina.hajek@univie.ac.at) “Subjectification as Crisis Management. Feminist Theory, Hegemony and the Multiple Crisis.”
2) Corinne L. Mason. Brandon University. (MasonC@brandonu.ca) "Manufacturing urgency: How to sustain a 'crisis' in the development industry"
3) Dara Strolovitch. Princeton University. (dzs@princeton.edu) “When Bad Things Happen to Privileged People.”
4) Emilie Dionne. UC Santa Cruz. (edionne@ucsc.edu) “Virtual Citizens, Infectious Bodies: The Material-Discursive Effects of "Crisis" as a Conceptual Apparatus in Knowledge-Making.”

Panel 7B: Gendering Environmental Justice and Climate Change  
Chair: Sabine Hirschauer, University of the Free State (shirschner@yahoo.com)

1) Emily Crandall. City University New York. (ecrandall@gc.cuny.edu) “A Debate in Crisis: A Feminist Science Studies Intervention into the Climate Change Debate.”
2) Danielle Roth-Johnson. University of Nevada, Las Vegas. (Danielle.roth-johnson@unlv.edu) “When Jagged Worldviews Collide: The Dann Sisters, Postcolonial Colonialism and Environmental Justice.”
3) Brooke Ackerly. Vanderbilt University. (brooke.ackerly@Vanderbilt.Edu) “Gender and Security in the Framing of Environmental Migration.”
4) Li-Li Chen. University of Florida. (lilichen@ufl.edu) “Rethinking Sustainability in Developing States: The Case of Philippine Trash Management.”

Panel 7C: Global Feminist Activism in Los Angeles
Chair: Jane Bayes, California State University, Northridge (jbayes@csun.edu)

1) Nayereh Tohidi, California State University Northridge. (nayereh.tohidi@csun.edu) “Political Activism in the Iranian Diaspora in Los Angeles and the World”
2) Breny Mendoza, California State University Northridge. (breny.mendoza@csun.edu) “GLEFAS, Political Research and Education Network in Latin America”
3) Elahe Amani, California State University Fullerton, “Political Activism of the Coalition of Women from Asian and the Middle East (CWAME) in Los Angeles and the World”
4) Janette Robinson, Black Women for Wellness, Los Angeles, “Political Activism of Black Women for Wellness”
5) Imelda Buncab, “Activism against Sex Trafficking in Los Angeles and the World”
6) Jane Bayes, California State University Northridge, (jbayes@csun.edu) “Bridges Project of the ISSC’s Committee on Gender Globalization and Democratization”
7) Laura Gonzalez, Indiana University, Pennsylvania. “Women’s Activism in the Mexican Diaspora Politics in Los Angeles and the United States”

Panel 7D: Roundtable-Publishing in IFjP

1) Laura Sjoberg (sjoberg@ufl.edu)
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