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**I.1 Researching War: Feminist Methods, Ethics and Politics (Roundtable)**

400A TUC

Chair: Annick Wibben, University of San Francisco, USA ([awibben@usfca.edu](mailto:awibben@usfca.edu))

Pascha Bueno-Hansen, University of Delaware, USA ([pbh@udel.edu](mailto:pbh@udel.edu))

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Laura Shepherd, University of New South Wales, Australia ([l.j.shepherd@unsw.edu.au](mailto:l.j.shepherd@unsw.edu.au))

Margo Okazawa-Rey, Hamilton College, USA ([mokazawa@hamilton.edu](mailto:mokazawa@hamilton.edu))

**I.2 Gendered and Queer Insecurities in Europe**

400B TUC

Chair: Gunnhildur Lily Magnusdottir, Malmo University, Sweden ([gunnhildur.lily.magnusdottir@mah.se](mailto:gunnhildur.lily.magnusdottir@mah.se))

Add Women and Hope? Assessing the Gender Impact of EU Common Security and Defense Policy (CSDP) Missions

Maria-Adriana Deiana, Dublin City University, Ireland ([maria-adriana.deiana@dcu.ie](mailto:maria-adriana.deiana@dcu.ie))
(co-authored with Kenneth McDonagh, Dublin City University, Ireland (kenneth.mcdonagh@dcu.ie))

(Post)Conflict LGBT Strategies in (Post)Transition Serbia: Interrogating Radical Feminist Activism, Anti-Fascism Campaigns, and Homonormative Agendas in the Former Yugoslavia
Sonnet Gabbard, Ohio State University, USA (Gabbard.26@osu.edu)

Repronormativity and the Reproduction of the Nation State: The State and Sexuality Collide
Anna Weissman, University of Florida, USA (aweissman@ufl.edu)

Discussant: Terrell Carver, Bristol University, UK (T.Carver@bristol.ac.uk)

I.3 Land, Food, and Cultural Security
415 TUC

Chair: V. Spike Peterson, University of Arizona, USA (spikey2@gmail.com)

If These Fields Could Talk: Decolonizing the Political Economy of Women’s Agricultural Labor
Mauro J. Caraccioli, St. Michael’s College, USA (mjcaraccioli@smcvt.edu)
Bryan Wright, Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, USA (bryan.wright@cincinnatistate.edu)

Food: A Critical Dialogue of the Global Food System
Jennifer Dye, University of Cincinnati, USA (jenndye@mac.com)
(possibly presented by Alexis Straka, University of Cincinnati, USA on Dye’s behalf)

Justin de Leon, University of Delaware, USA (deleonj@udel.edu)

Discussant: Suzanne Bergeron, University of Michigan Dearborn, USA (sbergero@umich.edu)

I.4 Mothers, Victims, and Bodies in Conflict Zones
419 TUC

Chair: Laura Jenkins, University of Cincinnati, USA (laura.jenkins@uc.edu)

Women’s Political Participation in Egypt’s Arab Spring Uprising: ‘Bargaining with Patriarchy’ and the Deployment of Traditional Motherhood
Anwar Mhajne, University of Cincinnati, USA (anwar.mhajne@gmail.com)
Crystal Whetstone, University of Cincinnati, USA (whetstcm@mail.uc.edu)
Gendered Victims: Masculinities, Femininities, and Narratives of Harm in the Colombian Armed Conflict
Roxanne Krystalli, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts, USA
(roxani.krystalli@tufts.edu)

Discourses of Protection: ‘Womenandchildren’ and the Logic of Maternity
Lucy Hall, University of New South Wales, Australia (lucybridget@gmail.com)

Discussant: Rina Williams, University of Cincinnati, USA (rina.williams@uc.edu)

I.5 Talking Back to the West in Theory and Literature
400C

Chair: Ashley Currier (ashley.currier@uc.edu), University of Cincinnati

Decolonizing the Muslim Woman: Literary Resistance and Islamic Feminism
Sobia Khan, Richland College, USA (Sobiaak@gmail.com)

(In)Visible Desires: Queer Women in African Literature
Therese Migraine-George, University of Cincinnati, USA (therese.migraine-george@uc.edu)

Beyond Islamic vs. Western Feminism: On the Continued Fascination with the 'Veil’ and the Limits of Feminist Discourse
Kirsten Boles, Claremont Graduate University, USA (kirsten.boles@cgu.edu)

No Longer Caught Between Two Worlds: Towards a Decolonized Feminist Research in the Middle East
Sabiha Allouche, University of London, UK (53558@soas.ac.uk) (presented by video recording)

Discussant: Miranda Cady Hallett, University of Dayton, USA (mhallett1@udayton.edu)

11:30am-12:30pm Boxed Lunch
TUC Great Hall (4th floor, rear of hall)

12:30-2:00pm Session II Concurrent Panels
TUC 4th floor breakout rooms

II.1 Thinking About Cynthia Weber’s Queer IR: Sovereignty, Sexuality, and the Will to Knowledge (Roundtable)
400B TUC
Chair: Anne Sisson Runyan, University of Cincinnati, USA (anne.runyan@uc.edu)
Cynthia Weber, University of Sussex, UK (C.Weber@sussex.ac.uk)
Amy Lind, University of Cincinnati, USA (amy.lind@uc.edu)
Laura Sjoberg, University of Florida, USA (sjoberg@ufl.edu)
V. Spike Peterson, University of Arizona, USA (spikep2@gmail.com)
Cricket Keating, Ohio State University, USA (cricketkeating@gmail.com)

II.2 Research and Ethics in Feminist Security Studies
400A TUC

Chair: Heidi Hudson, University of the Free State, South Africa (hudsonh@ufs.ac.za)

Research as Gendered Intervention: Feminist Research Ethics and the Self in the Research Encounter
Laura J. Shepherd, University of New South Wales, Australia (l.j.shepherd@unsw.edu.au)

Considering Care: A Feminist Approach to Rethinking the Ethics of War
Jillian Terry, London School of Economics, UK (j.a.terry@lse.ac.uk)

Feminist & Critical Scholarship on Security: Identifying Potential Synergies
Annick T. R. Wibben, University of San Francisco, USA (awibben@usfca.edu)

To A Hammer, Everything is a Nail: Feminist Methods for the Analysis of Political Violence
Michael Loadenthal, University of Cincinnati and Georgetown and George Mason Universities, USA (michael.loadenthal@gmail.com)

Discussant: Terrell Carver, University of Bristol, UK (T.Carver@bristol.ac.uk)

II.3 Narrating the Nation and the International
TUC 400C

Chair: Sobia Khan, Richland College, USA (Sobiaak@gmail.com)

Regionalism, Neoliberal Globalization, and Post-Colonial Masculinity in Popular Indian Film: Bhaag Milka Bhaag
Rina Williams, University of Cincinnati, USA (rina.williams@uc.edu)
Sikata Banerjee, University of Victoria, Canada (sikatab@uvic.ca)

The Role of Romantic Narratives in IR
Catherine Jean, University of Florida, USA (catvaljean@gmail.com)
Sovereign Love: North Korean Art and Aesthetics of Political Intervention
Shine Choi, University of Mississippi, USA (choi_shine@yahoo.com)

Past Informs Present: The Lakota Seven Generations Vision (Media Presentation)
Justin de Leon, University of Delaware (deleonj@udel.edu)

Discussant: Srimati Basu, University of Kentucky, USA (srimati.basu@uky.edu)

II.4 Human Rights, Security, and Governance
TUC 415
Chair: Olga Sanmiguel-Valderrama, University of Cincinnati (sanmigo@ucmail.uc.edu)

Norm Contestations in International Politics: The Case of Women’s Rights
Rebecca Sanders, University of Cincinnati, USA (rebecca.sanders@uc.edu)

Violence Against Women and Human Rights Advocacy: A Strategic Lens for Enhanced Ambiguity
Natalie Florea Hudson, University of Dayton, USA (nhudson1@udayton.edu)
(co-authored with Alexandra C. Budabin, University of Dayton, USA (alexandra.budabin@udayton.edu)

The Formulation of Japanese 1325 National Action Plan and Forgetting the ‘Comfort Women’
Hisako Motoyama, Ochanomizu University, Tokyo, Japan (h-motoyama@nifty.com)

‘Women are Stronger than Men’: Silence as Misrecognition of and Resistance by Women Ex-Combatants in Post-Apartheid South Africa
Siphokazi Magadla, Rhodes University, South Africa (siphokazi.magadla@gmail.com)

Discussant: Laura Jenkins, University of Cincinnati, USA (laura.jenkins@uc.edu)

II.5 Women’s Identities and Agencies in Turkish and Israeli Politics
TUC 419
Chair: Maria-Adriana Deiana, Dublin City University, Ireland (maria-adriana.deiana@dcu.ie)

Defining European Identity through the Headscarf: Implications for Turkish Politics
Kaitlin Kelly-Thompson, Purdue University, USA (kkellyth@purdue.edu)

Politics of Women's Rights, Modernity, and an Imperial Past: A Feminist Discourse Analysis of the Current Turkish State
Ayca Mazman, University of Cincinnati, USA (acyamazman@gmail.com)

‘The Occupation Shelf’: Listening to Women Activists Writers’ Positionalities regarding the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
Yael Levi Hazan (hazanya@post.bgu.ac.il), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel (co-authored with Ayelet Harel-Shalev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel (ayeleths@bgu.ac.il) and Shir Daphna-Tekoah, Ashkelon Academic College, Israel (Shir.dt@gmail.com))

Discussant: Anwar Mhajne, University of Cincinnati, USA (anwar.mhajne@gmail.com)

2:00-2:30pm Coffee Break
TUC Great Room (4th floor, rear of room)

2:30-4pm Session III Concurrent Panels
TUC 4th floor breakout rooms

**III.1 Challenging State Genderwashing and Pinkwashing I (Roundtable)**
400B TUC

Chair: Amy Lind, University of Cincinnati, USA (amy.lind@uc.edu)

Pascha Bueno-Hansen, University of Delaware, USA (pbh@udel.edu)
Therese Migraine-George, University of Cincinnati, USA (therese.migraine-george@uc.edu)
Cricket Keating, Ohio State University, USA (cricketkeating@gmail.com)
Rina Williams, University of Cincinnati, USA (rina.williams@uc.edu)

**III.2 Indigenous Resistances and Decolonization in the Americas**
400A TUC

Chair: Rebecca Sanders, University of Cincinnati, USA (rebecca.sanders@uc.edu)

Charting Decolonial Options: Mapping a Cartography of Struggle with Ingrid Washinawatok El-Issa
Sandra C. Alvarez, Chapman University, USA (salvarez@chapman.edu)

Disposable Waste, Lands, and Bodies: Racialized and Gendered Zones of Sacrifice under Canada’s Nuclear Colonialism
Anne Sisson Runyan, University of Cincinnati, USA (anne.runyan@uc.edu)
Intersectionality: Applying Crenshaw to War and Commercial Powers in the Imperial Acquisition of Hawai‘i
Mariah Zeisberg, University of Michigan, USA (mzeisberg@gmail.com)

Decolonizing Indigenous Lands and Indigenous Women’s Bodies
Teresa Szeghi, University of Dayton, USA (tszeghi1@udayton.edu)

Discussant: Justin de Leon, University of Delaware, USA (deleonj@udel.edu)

III.3 Women and Decolonizing Peacebuilding
400B

Chair: Natalie Florea Hudson, University of Dayton, USA (nhudson1@udayton.edu)

Carol Cohn, University of Massachusetts Boston, USA (carol.cohn@umb.edu)
(co-authored with Claire Duncanson, University of Edinburgh, UK (C.P.Duncanson@ed.ac.uk))

Decolonising Gender and Peacebuilding: Feminist Frontiers and Border Thinking in Africa
Heidi Hudson, University of the Free State, South Africa (hudsonh@ufs.ac.za)

Rebuilding Peace and Security for Women: Using ‘Feminist’ Social Capital Theory to Make Sense of Women’s Activism and Peacebuilding
Rubi Devi, University of Southern Mississippi, USA (rubidevi@gmail.com)

Discussant: Laura J. Shepherd, University of New South Wales, Australia
(lj.shepherd@unsw.edu.au)

III.4 Women and Political Representation
TUC 415

Chair: Crystal Whetstone, University of Cincinnati, USA (whetstcm@mail.uc.edu)

Swedish Parliamentarians with an Immigrant Background: “Hegemonic Swedishness” or United Diversity?
Gunnhildur Lily Magnusdottir, Malmo University, Sweden (gunnhildur.lily.magnusdottir@mah.se)

Female Muslim Political Leadership: A Case Study of Its Compatibility with the Qur’an
Eveline Gnabasik, Claremont Graduate University, USA (eveline.gnabasik@cgu.edu)

Egypt’s Management of Women Representation in Transitional Democracy
Salwa Thabet, Future University in Egypt (sthabet@fue.edu.eg)

Discussant: Ayca Mazman, University of Cincinnati, USA (aycamazman@gmail.com)

III.5 Decolonizing Ethnographies and Life Stories
TUC 419

Chair:  Shine Choi, University of Mississippi, USA (choi_shine@yahoo.com)

Translated Woman: Neoliberal Personhood, Ethnographic Subjects, and the Potential for Feminist Representation
Miranda Cady Hallett, University of Dayton, USA (mhallett1@udayton.edu)

Decolonizing My Hair, Unshackling My Curls: An Autoethnography on What Makes My Natural Hair Journey a Black Feminist Statement
Carolette Norwood, University of Cincinnati, USA (carolette.norwood@uc.edu)

Immigrant Motherhood and Diasporic Colonialism in the Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao
Sagnika Chanda, University of Pittsburgh, USA (sac204@pitt.edu) (presented by video recording)

Discussant: Catherine Jean, University of Florida, USA (catvaljean@gmail.com)

III.6 Interrogating and Navigating Political Homophobias, Economic Homotolerance, and Homonormativity
TUC 416

Chair: Sonnet Gabbard, Ohio State University (Gabbard.26@osu.edu)

Queer Development Studies?
Corinne Mason, Brandon University, Canada (MasonC@brandon.ca)

Population Racism and ‘African Homophobia’ in Transnational Imaginaries
Ashley Currier, University of Cincinnati, USA (ashley.currier@uc.edu)

Securing the Queer Refugee: Asylum Policies in the UK vs. America
Jamie Hagen, University of Massachusetts Boston, USA (jamie.hagen@gmail.com)

Discussant: Julie Moreau, Northern Arizona University, USA (julie.moreau@nau.edu)
4:15-5:45pm  Session IV Concurrent Panels  
TUC 4th floor breakout rooms

**IV.1 Challenging State Genderwashing and Pinkwashing II (Roundtable)**  
TUC 400B

Chair: Pascha Bueno-Hansen, University of Delaware, USA (pbh@udel.edu)

Amy Lind, University of Cincinnati, USA (amy.lind@uc.edu)  
Maria Amelia Viteri, Universidad de San Francisco, Ecuador (mviteri@usfq.edu.ec)  
Ashley Currier, University of Cincinnati, USA (ashley.currier@uc.edu)  
Sonnet Gabbard, Ohio State University, USA (Gabbard.26@osu.edu)

**IV.2 Women, Work, and Workplace Discrimination in the Global Political Economy**  
TUC 400A

Chair: Tereza M. Szeghi, University of Dayton, USA (tszeghi1@udayton.edu)

Organizing Domestic Workers in Urban Ecuador  
Erynn Masi de Casanova, University of Cincinnati, USA (erynn.casanova@uc.edu)

Women’s Rights as More than Just Human Rights: Corporate Responsibility and the Advancement of Gender-Based Rights  
Jessica Peet, University of Southern California, USA (jpeet@usc.edu)  
Zoe Scandalis, University of Southern California, USA (scandaliszoe@gmail.com)

Gender and Work in the Post-2007 Global Economy  
Olga Sanmiguel-Valderrama, University of Cincinnati, USA (sanmigo@ucmail.uc.edu), 
University of Cincinnati, USA  
(co-authored with Mary Frederickson, Emory University, USA (mary.frederickson@emory.edu))

Decolonizing U.S. Discrimination Law by Decentering the White Male Norm: A Postmodern Analysis  
Emily Meyer, University of Cincinnati, USA (meyer2es@mail.uc.edu)

Discussant: Suzanne Bergeron, University of Michigan Dearborn, USA (sbergero@umich.edu)

**IV.3 Disrupting Normativities: The Politics of Assimilation and Difference**
**TUC 400C**

Chair: Mariah Zeisberg, University of Michigan, USA (mzeisberg@gmail.com)

Transnational Policy Diffusion and Same-Sex Marriage in Latin America
Julie Moreau, Northern Arizona University, USA (julie.moreau@nau.edu)

'Increasing Disruptions': Engaging Queer Theory and Assimilation Politics in a Shifting US Military Culture
Christina Luiggi, Wright State University, USA (puntasecca.2@wright.edu)

Re-examining the Equality/Difference Debate in an Intersectional and Decolonial Frame
Jakeet Singh, Illinois State University, USA (jsingh3@ilstu.edu)

On the Periphery: Construction of Identity through ‘Otherness’ in Feminist and Post-Colonialist Discourse
Ceren Hamiloglu, UCL, London, UK (cerenhamiloglu@gmail.com) (presented by video recording)

Discussant: Corinne Mason, Brandon University, Canada (MasonC@brandon.ca)

**IV.4 Violences, Insurgencies, and Masculinities**

**TUC 415**

Chair: Jillian Terry, London School of Economics, UK (j.a.terry@lse.ac.uk)

Putting the Man in the Machine: Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems and Militarized Masculinity
Lisa Wnek, University of Cincinnati, USA (wneklm@mail.uc.edu)

White Lies, Black Panthers
Biko Caruthers, University of Central Oklahoma, USA (jcaruthers1@uco.edu), University of Central Oklahoma

Edzidi’s Forced Migration
Seyedehbehnaz Hosseini, University of Vienna, Austria (seyedehbehnazhosseini@gmail.com) (presented by video recording)

Discussant: Michael Loadenthal, University of Cincinnati and Georgetown and George Mason Universities, USA (michael.loadenthal@gmail.com)

**IV.5 Decolonizing Feminist Pedagogies in Feminist IR and Comparative Politics Curricula (Roundtable)**
TUC 419

Chair: Anne Sisson Runyan, University of Cincinnati, USA (anne.runyan@uc.edu)
Terrell Carver, University of Bristol, UK (T.Carver@bristol.ac.uk)
Rina Williams, University of Cincinnati, USA (rina.williams@uc.edu)
Laura Jenkins, University of Cincinnati, USA (laura.jenkins@uc.edu)
Rebecca Sanders, University of Cincinnati, USA (Rebecca.sanders@uc.edu)
Simona Sharoni, State University of New York Plattsburgh (simona.sharoni@gmail.com)

6:30-8:30pm  Cash Bar (cash only), Dinner Buffet, and Conference Keynote
Zillah Eisenstein, Distinguished Scholar of Politics, Ithaca College
“BEING PRESENT 2016: finding new feminisms against empire”
TUC Great Hall (4th floor)

SATURDAY, MAY 21
TUC Great Hall (only), 4th floor

8:30-9:00am  Continental Breakfast
(rear of hall)

9:00-10:00am  Plenary Discussion
Discussion of Pre-Conference Workshop: From Genderwashing to Ethical Solidarities
Leader:
Simona Sharoni, State University of New York Plattsburgh, USA (simona.sharoni@gmail.com)

10:15am-Noon  Plenary Panel

Decolonial Feminist and Queer Imaginaries in Transnational Perspective
Chair: Amy Lind, University of Cincinnati, USA (amy.lind@uc.edu)

Resignifying Family, Economy and Nation in Postneoliberal Ecuador
Amy Lind, University of Cincinnati, USA (amy.lind@uc.edu)
Cricket Keating, Ohio State University, USA (cricketkeating@gmail.com)

Feminist and Human Rights Struggles in Peru: Decolonizing Transitional Justice
Pascha Bueno-Hansen, University of Delaware, USA (pbh@udel.edu)

Decolonial Challenges in Transnational Feminist Inquiry on the Middle East and North Africa
Isis Nusair, Denison University, USA (nusairi@denison.edu)
State Decolonization and Depatriarchalization in Bolivia: Decolonial Feminist Imaginaries and Contradictions
Hanna Dahlstrom, University of British Columbia, Canada (h.dahlstrom@alumni.ubc.ca)

Dissonances Around Gender and Sexuality Rights in Latin America
Maria Amelia Viteri, Universidad de San Francisco, Ecuador (mviteri@usfq.edu.ec)

Discussant: Breny Mendoza, University of California Northridge, USA (brenymen@gmail.com)

Noon-12:30pm Conference Conclusion
Closing Remarks by Editors of IFJP:
Laura Sjoberg, University of Florida, USA
Heidi Hudson, University of the Free State, South Africa
Cynthia Weber, University of Sussex, UK

Thank you from conference host: Anne Sisson Runyan, University of Cincinnati, USA

1:30-5pm Optional Tour of Underground Railroad and Freedom Center
(for those who elected when registered online)