Dear Friends of GSS,

The GSS program has several upcoming events. Wednesday, March 6th, GSS is hosting a colloquium with Lupe Gonzalo of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers which will focus on gender and labor rights in the agricultural economy. For faculty and staff: you're invited to a lunch and learn with experts from the Title IX office and the sexual assault research team (SART) who will lead us through reporting policies and procedures as well as "first aid" for students who have disclosed personal information to us that we may need to report, and how to manage our own self-care needs during that process. On April 9th, we will be hosting Professor Alfred Martin from the School of Communication who will give a talk on his research.

Warm regards,

DR. CLAIRE OUESLATI-PORTER
DIRECTOR OF GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES
GSS Weekly Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

Troublemaker Training: How We Prevent Extremists from Destroying Public Education
Thursday, February 22, 2024 | 7:30 PM EST

Troublemaker Training: Sex Ed in Elementary School: Fact vs Myth!
February 20th
7:30-8:30PM
VIRTUAL
RSVP HERE

Sweep Salon
SEX ED IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: FACT VS MYTH!
Tuesday, February 20th | 7:30 PM EST VIRTUAL EVENT

Nora Gelperin
Advocates for Youth
GSS Weekly Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join GSS for a Colloquium with Lupe Gonzalo, of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers

Gender Issues in the Field:
Women Farmworkers and the Fight for Fair Food Production

Date: Wednesday, March 6th, 2024
Location: Richter Library’s Richter Flex Space B
Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

About the Speaker:
Lupe Gonzalo has become a prominent leader in a global human rights movement ensuring humane working and living standards for low-wage workers. She has been featured on CNN Freedom Project’s series on the Fair Food Program, was named a Community Trailblazer by the Equal Voice Magazine, and her story is featured in Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls, 100 Immigrant Women Who Changed the World.

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GSS: Colloquium with Lupe Gonzalo
MARCH 6TH
2-3:30PM
RICHTER LIBRARY
RICHTER FLEX SPACE B
Arab Students Union: Candlelight Vigil for Palestine

February 27th
6:30 PM
The Rock Plaza

Black Leaders for the Queer Community: BLQ Week

February 26th - March 3rd
UPCOMING EVENTS

National Organization for Women @ UM

UPCOMING EVENTS: SPRING 2024


Join the Center for the Humanities to celebrate this recent book, The Generic Closet: Black Gayness and the Black-Cast Sitcom, by Alfred Martin, Associate Professor of Media Studies at the University of Miami.

MARCH 25TH
6:30PM
BOOKS & BOOKS
**YES Institute: Deciphering Gender & Orientation**

The YES Institute will be hosting a hybrid course, ‘Deciphering Gender & Orientation.’ Learn how to ensure all young people feel included and safe!

**FEBRUARY 24TH**

**9AM-1PM**

**VIRTUAL (RSVP HERE) OR 5275 SUNSET DR. MIAMI, FL 33143**

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**Hairology: 2nd Annual Hair Show**

**MARCH 6TH**

**7-9PM**

**SHALALA SC BALLROOMS**
UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 Graduate Student Conference

CRITICAL ECOCLOGIES AND SPECULATIVE FUTURES: CONCEIVING THE ENVIRONMENT

FEBRUARY 29TH, 12PM-5PM
MARCH 1ST, 9AM-5PM
MILLER CENTER AUDITORIUM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
DR. JENNIFER FRENCH
ROSENBURG PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES & SPANISH, WILLIAMS COLLEGE

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST AT 3:15PM

This event is sponsored by the Michele Bowman Underwood Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, the Joseph Carter Memorial Fund, the Graduate Student Association of the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, the Department of English, the Department of History, and the Gender and Sexuality Studies Program.

Please RSVP by Feb. 23rd, 2024
https://forms.gle/djK7yqEN6akjhJFe6
Building on insights from critics Francisco Corral, Leandro Delgado, and Ana Maria Vara, my reading of the Hispano-Paraguayan anarchist teases out Barrett’s idiosyncratic Darwinism from his exposé of labor abuses in the yerba mate industry (Lo que son los yerbales, 1906) and the literary-scientific crónicas he published in the newspapers of Asunción, Montevideo, and Buenos Aires in the early years of the twentieth century. I suggest that Barrett’s highly aestheticized political and scientific discourse may be productively interpreted in dialogue with modern and contemporary biophilosophy from writers including Henri Bergson, Elizabeth Grosz, Donna Haraway, and Gilles Deleuze. In Barrett’s vibrant and eclectic writings, the understanding that human and non-human animals are separated by degrees of difference rather than stark ontological divides prompts intermittent passages in which a spontaneous intuition of amorphous connection to other life-forms arises, a phenomenon Grosz calls “becoming undone.” These moments enable Barrett to engage in a trans-specific affective community across vast extensions of time and space, a move that echoes his critique of capitalist exploitation across human and nonhuman life-forms.
UPCOMING EVENTS

REVOLUTION, FREEDOM, AND THE TEMPORALITIES OF BETRAYAL

RITA BARNARD
Professor of English and Comparative Literature at the University of Pennsylvania, author of Apartheid and Beyond, and editor of South African Writing in Transition and The Cambridge Companion to Nelson Mandela

Thursday, Feb. 22, 2023, 3.30 pm
Richter Library 3rd Floor Conference Room

Sponsored by the English Department, the Center for the Humanities, and the Michele Bowman Underwood Department of Modern Languages and Literatures

Guest Speaker: Rita Barnard
**OTHER OPPORTUNITIES**

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### Queer Studies Interdisciplinary Research Group

**NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 21ST, 12:15-1:45PM**

**CENTER FOR THE HUMANITIES MEETING ROOM - RICHTER LIBRARY**

To attend, please RSVP [here](#).

Reading to discuss:


- **Meeting 2 - March 20, 2024 @ 12:15pm**
  - Topic: Introduction to the Work of Diana Torres

- **Meeting 3 - April 17, 2024 @12:15pm**
  - Topic: TBD with Social Meeting to follow on April 19, 2024 @5pm

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### 2024 Lavender Languages Institute

**JUNE 10-20TH**

**FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY**

The annual Lavender Languages Institute at Florida Atlantic University offers 10 days of online class discussion, research opportunities and informal conversations exploring topics of current interest in language and sexuality studies, queer linguistics, and various lavender language themes. More information and application can be found [here](#).
In honor of Black History Month, University of Miami Libraries is displaying “19th Century African American Female Physicians,” developed and designed by colleagues at the Calder Library. The installation showcases the work and lives of Black female physicians during a time in history when they faced many barriers to practicing medicine. The accompanying research guide can be accessed here.
L.O.V.E. Symposium: Call for Proposals

Calling all young professionals, students, and LGBTQ+ community members for posters, presentations, and workshops pertaining to Leadership, Opportunity, Vision, and Empowerment in the LGBTQ+ community. Proposals are due February 29th at 11:59PM. For more information and to submit proposals, visit bit.ly/LOVEProposals2024.