Women's and Gender Studies NEWSLETTER



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For program inquiries or to submit something to the WGS newsletter, email WGS Director Merike Blofield at m.blofield@miami. edu

Apply for a LGBTQ Studies scholarship for next year!

Women's and Gender Studies and the College of Arts and Sciences are excited to announce four scholarships of up to \$10,000 each to cover tuition expenses for the 2017-2018 academic year, for students intending to pursue a minor in LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) Studies. To be eligible for these competitive scholarships, applicants must be UM students in good academic standing, demonstrate financial need, minor or intend to minor in LGBTQ Studies (WGS majors with significant LGBTQ-related course work count here), and be participants in a pre-law, pre-med, or pre-nursing program (no exceptions can be made on this). To apply students must submit an <u>online application form (https://umcas.wufoo.com/forms/lgbtq-studies-scholarship-</u> application/) by Friday, May 5th, 2017. Please direct any questions to Merike Blofield at m.blofield@miami.edu.

Final WGS Lunch Colloquium: Senior WGS majors present their research projects!

Friday, May 5th, from 12p to 2p Campo Sano, Room 250

Please join us for our final Spring 2017 Women's and Gender Studies lunch colloquium. This colloquium will feature four senior Women's and Gender Studies majors who will briefly present their research projects, followed by a discussion. This year's presenters are Amelia Abe, Carolina Bendana, Kali Kahn, and Morgan Owens. Please help us honor and celebrate the WGS work these students have accomplished over the past year. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to <u>wgs@miami.edu</u> by Tuesday, May 2nd, by 4pm.

Academic Programming on Gender



Steven F. Butterman was recently named the Richard E. Greenleaf Distinguished Professor in Latin American Studies at Tulane University, where he served as Scholar in Residence in spring 2016. Associate Professor of Portuguese and Director of the Portuguese Language Program, Butterman teaches Portuguese language and Brazilian literature and cultural studies in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures at UM, where he has also directed the Women's and Gende

Studies Program. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2000. Butterman has published articles on a wide range of topics, including 19th and 20th century Luso-Afro-Brazilian Literature and Culture, Contemporary Brazilian Poetry and Music, and LGBTQ studies. Butterman is the author of Perversions on Parade: Brazilian Literature of Transgression and Postmodern Anti Aesthetics in Glauco Mattoso, and (In)Visibilidade Vigilante: representações midiáticas da maior parada gay do planeta. Butterman is currently working on his third book, entitled Brazilian Portugays: LGBT Language and Culture in Contemporary Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo.

04.12.17 FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Join the LGBTQ Student Center for Dr. Steven Butterman's presentation "Queering the American Dream: LGBT Latin America in South Florida."



LGBTQ Student Center University of Miami

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

WHEN? 1:00-2:30 PM

WHERE? BISCAYNE 1220

BETWEEN THE STORM SURGE ROOM AND OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

The Food for Thought Lunch and Learn series is an educational initiative through the LGBTQ Student Center. The goal of the series is to increase awareness of LGBTQ issues and spark discussion on UM's campus.



Take a break for tender loving care to help manage end of semster stresses! The first 3 Tuesdays in April from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

APRIL 4TH: SELF COMPASSION

UM COUNSELING CENTER PRESENTS:

APRIL 11TH: NO MO' FOMO

Come visit our new counseling center location: 5513 Merrick Drive (across from

Pavia Parking Garage). Refreshments, giveaways, and conversation provided!

BURNOUT

APRIL 18TH:

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For more information call 305-284-5511 or email cope@miami.edu





The International Men's March to stop rape, sexual assault, and gender violence

Accepting donations of toiletries for Safe Space Women's Shelter. Minimum donation of \$5 to receive an event T-shirt.

All proceeds given to Safe Space Foundation (www.safespacefoundation.org)

For more information email cope@miami.edu

To register & reserve shoes: https://tinyurl.com/umiamiWAMregistration2017



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Supporting Sponsors:







Thursday, April 20th 3:00-4:30 pm The Rock

Featuring speakers Karen Hansen and Laura Rachlin who are entrepreneurs, award winning interior and product designers, best friends and the proud mothers of five amazing children. What others never knew until the launch of their newest company, Wren & Roch (pronounced "Ren and Rock") is that they are also survivors of rape and domestic violence. They are dedicating their lives to raising awareness, sharing their personal stories and educating for the prevention of abuse.





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April 12 th – Sexual Assault	April 17 th
Poetry Slam	Women as Health Professionals
	Luncheon
<u>8PM – 10PM</u> April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, so come out to The Rat and share a poem about how you feel about sexual assault!	<u>11AM – 1PM</u> NOW will be Co-Hosting with the American Medical Student Association to present a panel on being a female as a health professional. Dr. Knaul will be our keynote speaker. Lunch will be served, so please RSVP as soon as possible, as space is limited. RSVP Here: <u>https://orgsync.com/79890/forms/251814</u>

SPARK needs volunteers to mentor at one of our sites on Wednesdays. The time commitment is 2:20-5 pm. If you are available and interested in mentoring at the African Heritage Cultural Arts Center of Miami please send us an email at spark.umiami@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

Women's and Gender Equity Center on Campus

A group of highly involved and passionate students on campus are petitioning for a women's and gender equity center on campus providing an office and a safe space for discussing gender equity issues on campus. If you would like to show your support, please sign the following petition by copy-pasting the following link, and filling out the form:

tinyurl.com/gw7nen4

Opportunities and Deadlines

Careers in Community Organizing for Social Justice

The Direct Action & Research Training (DART) Center will hold an online information session on **Tuesday, April 11 at 8 pm eastern / 7 pm central** to discuss careers in community organizing with UM students and alumni interested in uniting congregations and **working for social, economic and racial justice.**

RSVP at <u>www.thedartcenter.org/april</u>

DART hires and trains organizers to build organizations that have successfully addressed issues including:

- * Plugging the school-to-prison pipeline
- * Reining in predatory lending practices
- * Expanding access to primary health and dental care
- * Prioritizing funding for affordable housing and job training
- * Education reform in low-performing public schools
- * Fighting for immigrants' rights

Positions start August 14, 2017 in Richmond, VA, Louisville, KY, Topeka, KS, Evansville, IN and Daytona Beach, Ft. Lauderdale and St. Petersburg, FL.

Starting salary \$34,000/year + benefits.

Although it may be helpful, no prior organizing experience is necessary. Fluent Spanish speakers are encouraged to apply.

To find out more about DART or to apply, we encourage you to visit <u>www.thedartcenter.org</u>. Still have questions? Contact Hannah Wittmer at <u>hannah@thedartcenter.org</u> or (202) 841-0353.