Elliott School course offerings on gender in Fall 2013

The Global Gender Program of the Elliott School of International Affairs is pleased to announce BA and MA course offerings on gender topics in Fall 2013. Please click here for more information.

Course spotlight: Summer 2013

Research Methods in Global Gender Issues with Jane Henrici. Click here for a course description and more information.

Events

US Department of State’s 6K Walk for Water
Who: US Department of State
When: Apr 22 | 1:00pm-2:30pm
Where: 21st Street Entrance, US Department of State
Click here for directions

Join US Department of State employees to honor the difficulties of women and children in developing countries who walk a daily average of six kilometers to bring water to their families.

American Sex Trafficking Victims: The Untold Story
Who: National Press Club
When: Apr 22 | 6:00pm
Where: National Press Club
529 14th St NW
Washington, DC 20045

Women in the World Summit 2013

By staff contributor Cait O’Donnell

The Women in the World Summit 2013, hosted by Tina Brown, editor of Newsweek and The Daily Beast, took place on April 4-5 at Lincoln Center’s David H. Koch Theater. The summit featured a multitude of speakers and performers including Dr. Hawa Abdi, Melanne Verveer, Meryl Streep, and Hillary Clinton. In her address, Clinton asserted that the rights of women represent “the unfinished business of the 21st century” in the United States and globally. Read more.
This panel will discuss sex trafficking of United States citizens. Speakers include a former CIA operative who has rescued Americans trafficked abroad and a survivor of sex trafficking from Washington, DC.

**Women Entrepreneurship in Latin America**
*Who:* Congressman Farr’s Latin America on the Rise series  
*When:* Apr 24 | 10:00am  
*Where:* US Capitol Visitor's Center, Congressional Meeting Room South  
Washington DC 20510  
*More info:* contact caitie.whelan@mail.house.gov

Panelists will include: Carla Koppell (Senior Coordinator for Gender Equality & Women’s Empowerment, USAID), Marguerite Berger (Vice President for Impact, Evaluation, & Research, Vital Voices), and Elizabeth Vazquez (CEO & Co-Founder, WEConnect International).

**Elections Through Her Eyes: Women’s Empowerment, Inclusion and the Electoral Process**
*Who:* IFES  
*When:* Apr 25 | 12:00pm  
*Where:* IFES  
1850 K Street NW, Fifth Floor  
Washington, DC 20006

This panel will discuss the following issues: How is the international community working with its partners around the world to address these challenges? How do laws and special measures, such as quotas, impact gender equality? How can election practitioners mitigate electoral violence specifically targeting women?

**However Long the Night: Molly Melching's Journey to Help Millions of African Women and Girls Triumph**
*Who:* Women's Foreign Policy Group  
*When:* Apr 29 | 12:00pm  
*Where:* The Wilderness Society  
1615 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20036

In *However Long the Night*, Aimee Molloy tells the story of Molly Melching, an American whose experience as an exchange student in Senegal led her to become a social entrepreneur and to dedicate her life to promoting the rights of girls and women of Africa.

**A Celebration of Women Diplomats**
*Who:* Women's Foreign Policy Group  
*When:* Apr 30 | 6:00pm-8:00pm  
*Where:* 1035 Fifth Avenue, Apt. 15C  
New York, NY 10028

"MT @State_DRL: #SecKerry: Girls are attacked for the simple act of going to school. See @hrw's global work on this [here.](#) @BedeonKidRights"
An evening reception and program to celebrate and highlight the achievements of women diplomats.

**African Women and Youth as Agents of Change through Technology and Innovation**

*Who:* Wilson Center  
*When:* May 1 | 10:30am-2:30pm  
*Where:* Woodrow Wilson Center, 6th floor  
One Woodrow Wilson Plaza  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20004-3027

This conference will highlight technological innovations by women and youth leaders in Africa as a way of inspiring and mentoring a new generation of women and youth to be agents of change. It will also aim to assist in the development of a growing network between current and new generations of women and youth leaders in technology and innovation.

**Increasing Diversity in the STEM Workforce**

*Who:* Center for International Science and Technology Policy and the Space Policy Institute, GW  
*When:* May 1 | 5:00pm  
*Where:* The Elliott School of International Affairs - Room 505  
1957 E Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20052

Leaders from government, business and academia agree that increasing the participation of women and underrepresented minorities in the STEM workforce is critical to our economic future and to finding the best solutions to the problems facing the world. This talk discusses the underlying causes why certain groups are underrepresented in some disciplines, and strategies for significantly increasing their participation, including how Harvey Mudd College has increased the female percentage of computer science majors from 10% to over 40%. Maria Klawe's work with increasing the involvement of women in computer science has been quite interesting with benefits to both genders.

**Addressing Disrespect and Abuse During Childbirth**

*Who:* Wilson Center  
*When:* May 2 | 12:00pm-2:00pm  
*Where:* Woodrow Wilson Center, 5th Floor  
One Woodrow Wilson Plaza  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20004-3027

While strides have been made in providing access to
maternal health care services – transportation, lower costs, education, etc. – there is evidence that quality of care, and perceptions of that quality, may be an equally important barrier. Join us in a discussion of the challenges impeding quality care and the steps being taken to overcome those challenges.

Opportunities

**Job: Research Assistant**  
*Who:* Global Women's Initiative, GW  
*Where:* Washington, DC  
*Deadline:* Apr 30

**Internship: Gender and Empowerment**  
*Who:* CARE  
*Where:* Washington, DC

**Call for Applications: 2013 SEED Awards on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment**  
*Who:* UN Women  
*Deadline:* June 12

**Job: Gender and Rule of Law Specialist**  
*Who:* UN Women  
*Where:* international  
*Deadline:* May 6

**Internships: Summer 2013, Various Positions**  
*Who:* IWPR  
*Where:* Washington, DC  
*Deadline:* Mar 1

**Internships: Summer 2013, Various Positions**  
*Who:* Women Thrive Worldwide  
*Where:* Washington, DC  
*Deadline:* varies

Resources

**Gender, Agriculture, and Assets Project**  
This IFPRI project aims to better understand gender and asset dynamics in agricultural development programs. The website provides more information on its agricultural development projects in South Asia and Sub Saharan Africa and a number of resources, including a gender and assets toolkit.

**Climate Change, Collective Action, and Women’s Assets Project**  
This IFPRI project explores ways to contribute to poverty reduction in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia through helping poor women farmers and pastoralists manage
risks and adapt to climate change as a result of more effective programs to protect or strengthen women's control over critical assets. The website provides a wealth of resources as well as more information about the project, its output, and its project collaborators.

**University of Pennsylvania's Journal of Gender and Water**
This is an online, open-access academic journal for women and water issues around the world.

**IFES Alumni Lisa Kammerud Talks Elections, Conflict and Gender**
In this interview, from IFES' Women's Empowerment resources, Lisa Kammerud discusses election violence and gender.

**Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights**
This factsheet from provides the International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights a basic overview of the content of economic, social and cultural rights for women.

**Video: Women and Peace, Transforming Conflict**
This short film features highlights of a conversation with international leaders on transforming conflict featuring Abigail Disney, Madeleine Rees, Jody Williams, Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, Lydia Alpízar Durán, and The Honorable Shinkai Karokhail.