Course Offerings on Gender in Spring 2014

The Elliott School is offering many exciting classes about global gender issues this spring. Click here to see undergraduate and graduate listings.

Horn of Africa
Course Info: IAFF 3190.14
Time: Tuesday 3:30-6:00 pm

New undergraduate international affairs course on the Horn of Africa, taught by Semhar Araia, founder of DAWN (Diaspora African Women's Network). This course contains substantial content on women’s gender issues.

Gender, Disaster, and Policy
Course Info: IAFF 6138.14 CRN: 94786
Time: Thursday 5:10-7:00 pm

There are open spots remaining in this three-credit course, taught by Jane Henrici, adjunct faculty member and Study Director at The Institute for Women’s Policy Research.

Disasters have high costs that affect the parts of populations—including men and women—differently. This course will investigate how gender, and other aspects of individual and group identity, might interact with planning, response, recovery, and building resilience. By taking this course, a student will become familiar with relevant

10 Takeaways from Why It Matters

By Student
Contributor: Asthaa Chaturvedi

During 2013, the global.gender.current carried my interview series “Why It Matters” on why gender equality and empowerment are important in the 21st century. When I began the project in March, I did not anticipate that I would be able to cover so many issues of both domestic and...
termology and studies from a range of sources and disciplines. More generally, a student will become prepared to critically conduct research and analysis of conditions and data important to application for global disaster policy and planning. The class will concentrate on events during the past decade across a global and comparative framework.

Events

**IUCN’s Environment and Gender Index**
*When:* January 7 | 12:30-1:30 pm  
*Who:* Conservation International  
*Where:* Conservation International  
2011 Crystal Drive, Suite 500  
Arlington, VA 22202

Conservation International will host a presentation by Lorena Aguilar, IUCN’s Senior Gender Advisor, and Rebecca Pearl-Martinez, EGI Manager, to discuss the new Environment and Gender Index (EGI). The EGI monitors gender equality and women’s empowerment in the environmental arena in order to measure progress, improve information, and empower countries to take steps forward for gender equality and for the environment. The Index was launched at COP 19 and has gained much attention and recognition for being the first tool to monitor government performance on these issues. Please RSVP to kamewesterman@conservation.org

**Saving Mothers, Giving Life: A Year of Results and Lessons Learned**
*When:* January 9  
*Who:* Saving Mothers, Giving Life and Center for Strategic and International Studies  
*Where:* Center for Strategic and International Studies  
1616 Rhode Island Ave., NW  
Washington, DC, 20036

Since its launch in June 2012 by former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Saving Mothers, Giving Life partners have collaborated with the governments of Uganda and Zambia to bolster maternal health programs and to rapidly reduce maternal deaths. CSIS will be joined by senior leaders from Saving Mothers, Giving Life for an engaging discussion of the initiative’s vision, approach, delivery, impact and future challenges.

As 2013 comes to a close with listicles popping everywhere on the web, here is mine: the top ten takeaways from the “Why It Matters” series of 2013. Read more [here](http://thebea.st/KiwS3H).

RT @WomenInWorld Girls Rising in the Classroom  
[http://thebea.st/KiwS3H](http://thebea.st/KiwS3H)

**Org Spotlight:**  
**Pardada Pardadi Educational Society**  
Founded in 2000, Pardada
and opportunities. This event will be webcast live at: www.SmartGlobalHealth.org/Live

**Maternal Health and HIV: Global Priorities for Research and Action**

*When:* January 13 | 12:00 - 4:00pm  
*Who:* Wilson Center, Global Health Initiative  
*Where:* Woodrow Wilson Center at the Ronald Reagan Building  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW, 5th Floor Conference Room  
Washington, DC

HIV and complications in childbearing remain the leading causes of death among women of reproductive age around the globe. Approximately one-quarter of deaths among pregnant and postpartum women in sub-Saharan Africa are due to HIV. Improving maternal health in the context of the epidemic requires a greater understanding of the relationships between HIV and maternal morbidity and mortality; integrated and effective responses by health systems; and social context which promotes quality care and encourages the use of HIV and maternal health care services. Research and evaluation from the maternal health and HIV communities can increase collaboration and provide a powerful impetus that strengthens political constituencies and communities of practice in both areas. The event will consist of two panels on the issues surrounding maternal health and women living with HIV.

**Women's Leadership in Public Policy Seminar**

*When:* January 14 - 17  
*Who:* Public Leadership Education Network (PLEN)  
*Where:* Washington, D.C.

PLEN is the only national organization with the sole focus of preparing college women for leadership in the public policy arena. The January Women's Leadership in Public Policy seminar is geared at college age women (undergraduate, recent graduates and post-graduate students) considering careers in Public Policy. Planned Seminar Highlights Include: Keynote Speaker Sarah Hurwitz from the White House Council on Women and Girls; an Advocacy 101 Training and "Lobby Day" where students will lobby Members of Congress and their staff on behalf of an issue that

**Pardadi Educational Society (PPES)** is a social and economic empowerment initiative. Based in Anupshahar, Uttar Pradesh, India, PPES promotes gender equality and works to end gender-based discrimination among rural women and girls. PPES provides opportunities for education and employment, to support women and girls in breaking the cycle of poverty. Toward the goal of education, PPES provides a free schooling for girls, from kindergarten through 12th grade. It currently runs 4 schools, with a combined enrollment of 1,200 students. Additionally, PPES provides vocational training and guaranteed job placement in its own production center for graduates of the program. Over time, the organization has expanded its works, hosting self-help groups, micro-enterprises, and providing health and hygiene resources. Read more [here](https://www.pardadi.org/).
they care about; Policy Briefings on Immigration, Education, and Environmental policy; and professional development workshops. Preview the Agenda Here.

Save the Date: The Second Annual Sheikha Fatima Lectureship

When: May 8
Who: United States Institute of Peace
Where: U.S. Institute of Peace
2301 Constitution Ave NW
Washington, DC

In recognition of women as peacebuilders, the United States Institute of Peace has established the Sheikha Fatima Lectureship series around Women at the Table, with the first annual lecture focusing on women as “Messengers” of Peacebuilding. Building lasting peace and security requires women’s participation. In order to create a sustainable peace, women have to be represented at the table. It was through the generosity of Her Highness Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak Al Ketbi, the wife of the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, founder and first president of the United Arab Emirates, that the Institute of Peace has named the north atrium of the headquarters building the “International Women’s Commons” to advance the progress of women as peacemakers.

Opportunities

Jobs

Senior Women’s Protection & Empowerment (Gender-Based Violence) Manager
Who: International Rescue Committee
Where: Erbil, Kurdistan, Iraq
Deadline: January 6

Chief, Economic Empowerment Section
Who: New York City, NY
Where: UN Women
Deadline: January 14

Economic Justice and Financing for Women’s Rights Manager
Who: AWID
Where: Flexible Location
Deadline: January 15
Senior Gender Specialist
Who: IREX  
Where: Jordan  
Deadline: January 15

Chief of Party, Gender Program
Who: IREX  
Where: Jordan  
Deadline: January 15

Global Health Corps Fellowships
Who: Global Health Corps, varying placement organizations  
Where: Burundi, Malawi, Rwanda, Uganda, United States, or Zambia  
Deadline: January 26

Senior Women’s Protection And Empowerment (WPE) Manager
Who: International Rescue Committee  
Where: South Sudan  
Deadline: February 10

Senior Gender, Violence, and Health Specialist
Who: International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

Technical Officer- Seconded to the Department of Basic Education
Who: EngenderHealth, South African Sexual HIV Prevention Program  
Where: South Africa  
Deadline: Open until filled

Internships
Gender and Security Sector Governance Reform Programme Intern
Who: Women Peace and Security Network Africa (WIPSEN-Africa)  
Where: Accra, Ghana  
Deadline: January 31

Women Human Rights Programme Intern
Who: PWESCR  
Where: Delhi, India  
Deadline: Open until filled

Communications Intern
Who: Room to Read  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Advocacy Intern**  
Who: Girls, Inc  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Advocacy Intern**  
Who: Population Action International (PAI)  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Executive Office Intern**  
Who: Population Action International (PAI)  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Human-Computer Interaction IT Intern**  
Who: Population Action International (PAI)  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Resource Development Intern**  
Who: Population Action International (PAI)  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Video Content Management Intern**  
Who: Population Action International (PAI)  
Where: Washington, DC  
Deadline: Open until filled

**Other Opportunities**  
**IES Abroad Faculty Development Seminar: Sexuality and Gender in a Multicultural World**  
Who: IES Abroad  
Where: Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
Deadline: January 13

**Call for Submissions: Paper, Panel, and Workshop Abstracts**  
Who: Women's World Congress 2014  
Where: Hyderabad, India  
Deadline: January 31

**Call for Submissions: Mothering, Mothers and Sex Work**  
Who: Co-editors Rebecca Jaremko Bromwich and
Monique Marie De Jong

*Where:* Worldwide

*Deadline:* Abstracts- March 1, 2014; Full manuscripts- October 1, 2014

For more national and international job and internship opportunities, visit the Association for Women's Rights in Development's job resource page or the United Nations Jobs on Gender Twitter.

**Resources**

“Like a Bird with Broken Wings”: Afghan Women Oral History
This report documents the untold stories of Afghan women who have suffered great violence in the past three decades of the country's turbulent history. This report, by UN Women's Country office in Afghanistan, provides a "voice to those denied a place in official history" and chronicles the personal memories and recollections of women who have either experienced sexual and physical violence, witnessed that of a close family member, or indirectly suffered as a consequence of it, between 1978 and 2008.

Sexual Rights and the Universal Periodic Review: A Toolkit for Advocates
This tool kit, produced by Sexual Rights Initiative and the International Planned Parenthood Federation, provides instructions and resources to support the use of the United Nations Human Rights Commission's Universal Periodic Review.

**Blog Notes**

Empowering Moms Through mHealth
In South Africa, text messaging is a tool to empower mothers to make healthy decisions for themselves and their children.

Violence Against Women as a strategic weapon in a time of class war in Greece
In the period of crisis, violence against women is becoming a weapon in the hands of the rulers.