Events

**Child Marriage Prevention in Amhara Region, Ethiopia**
*When:* Tuesday, February 11 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
*Who:* MEASURE Evaluation
*Where:* Online-Worldwide

MEASURE Evaluation will host a one-hour "Child Marriage Prevention in Amhara Region, Ethiopia" webinar February 11, 2014, at 10:00AM EST. The webinar will be led by Anastasia Gage, MEASURE Evaluation's Principal Investigator at Tulane University, and will focus on her recent study on the effect of communication exposure and social influence on parents' and guardians' attitudes towards child marriage in Ethiopia. The webinar will address the study and its findings.

**Reporting In Pakistan: What You Aren't Hearing**
*When:* February 11 | 7:00-8:30 pm
*Who:* Overseas Press Club, the School of Media and Public Affairs, and the Institute for Public Diplomacy and Global Communication
*Where:* The George Washington University
Marvin Center, 3rd Floor Amphitheater
800 21st St NW, Washington, DC

Journalists who have spent years reporting in the country and pursuing stories that often go under reported will share their own experiences about the challenges and dangers of their work, and the important stories Americans don’t hear often enough. Panelists include: Declan Walsh, Pakistan bureau chief for The New York Times, who had been reporting in the country...
since 2004, until he was expelled by the state in May 2013 for unspecified “undesirable activities”; Habiba Nosheen, a Peabody award-winning Pakistani journalist and the filmmaker of the documentary “Outlawed in Pakistan,” which navigates Pakistan’s justice system through a case of alleged rape; Sadia Shepard, a Pakistani-American journalist whose film “The Other Half of Tomorrow” explores contemporary Pakistan through the perspectives of dynamic female change-makers; Richard Leiby, recently returned Pakistan bureau chief for The Washington Post and a Lecturer at the GW School of Media and Public Affairs.

Southwest Symposium on Human Trafficking: A Comprehensive Rights-Based Approach

When: February 14 | 8:00 am -5:30 pm
Who: The Life Link
Where: La Fonda On the Plaza
Santa Fe, NM

This one-day symposium will be held on February 14, 2014 in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and will highlight the successes and challenges encountered while meeting the aftercare needs of human trafficking victims.

Lav Langs 21

When: February 14-16
Who: Lavender Languages Conference
Where: American University
4400 Massachusetts Ave NW
Butler Board Room
Washington, DC 20016

With Lav 21, the Conference enters its third decade. This year’s program committee is committed to diversifying conference discussion and invites proposals for individual papers, panels and special events that situate discussions of language and sexuality within broader inflections, e.g. gender, race, ethnicity, age, class, mobility, ability, citizenship, nationality. There was much discussion at Lav 20 about language and normativity, and that discussion will likely continue at Lav 21, along with attention to language, sexuality and privilege. Locations for these discussions will likely be as diverse as in previous years, e.g. diaspora and new media, pornography and personal narrative.

Gender at Work: Report launch & panel discussion

When: February 20 | 12:30-2pm
Who: Gender at Work

not rocket science

By guest contributor Julia Collins

In the age of instantaneous communication, limitless data storage in the virtual cloud, and cloning entire organisms, advancements in technology seem to hold the key to unlocking better longer lives. But when it comes to managing water, improving livelihoods can be as simple as a hand-washing station or a device to lighten the heavy load of carrying water.

The U.S. State Department-funded Women and Water in South and Central Asia Project serves as a platform for women working on community water issues to learn from each other by sharing ideas and best practices. At our first annual conference in Bishkek, Sowmya Somnath – representing the Watershed Management Group and its Indian partner Grampari – trained conference participants from Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and the United States, on Water Sanitation and Hygiene.
A companion to the 2013 World Development Report on jobs, Gender at Work finds huge, persistent gender gaps at work around the world. This major new report advances our understanding of key trends, patterns, and constraints--and offers innovative, promising approaches to policies and programs that can level the playing field.


*When:* February 22, 2014 | 10am-5:30pm  
*Who:* Barnard Center for Research on Women  
*Where:* Barnard College, 3009 Broadway, New York, NY

In 1994, Inderpal Grewal and Caren Kaplan published the landmark *Scattered Hegemonies: Postmodernity and Transnational Feminist Practice*. The work marked a pivotal moment in the development of transnational feminisms with its examination of the circulation of ideas, people, capital, goods, and socio-political movements across different spatial and temporal boundaries. Today, their analysis remains crucial, with scholars looking at how these processes necessitate our rethinking of key categories of feminist analysis, including gender, sexuality, nationalism, modernity, hegemony, and power. Grewal and Kaplan will keynote this year’s Scholar & Feminist Conference, which brings together scholars from across diverse disciplines and regions to explore how transnational feminisms help us to analyze and respond to recent global transformations, such as the Arab Spring, the occupy movements, and other widespread protests aimed at transforming existing systems of governance.

**Forced Marriage in Immigrant Communities in the United States and Canada - Opportunities and Challenges in Protecting Survivors**

*When:* March 3 | 12:00 -2:00 pm  
*Who:* American University Washington College of Law Domestic Violence Clinic  
*Where:* AU Washington College of Law, Room 603 4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20016

Forced marriage is a hidden problem that can impact the freedom and safety of women and girls in immigrant communities. It often goes unrecognized and underreported due to cultural and linguistic barriers. Through connecting men and women affected by global disasters on an online forum, the Gender and Disaster Network seeks to document and analyze the relationships between gender relations and disasters.
communities in the United States and Canada, presenting unique challenges for advocates and attorneys. This panel discussion, featuring experts from both the United States and Canada, will provide attendees with an overview of the nature and scope of forced marriage in both countries, discuss comparative challenges to securing protections for individuals at risk under the United States' and Canada's current legal, child protection, and social service frameworks, and outline opportunities for creative responses to empower survivors.


_When:_ March 5-6  
_Who:_ Women's Empowerment Principles  
_Where:_ United Nations Headquarters, New York City

Held over two days, the 6th Annual Women’s Empowerment Principles (WEPs) event, Gender Equality and the Global Jobs Challenge, will spotlight business strategies, experience and challenges on increasing and enhancing job opportunities for women and expanding access to decent jobs. The main event on 6 March, held at the United Nations Headquarters, will feature a Morning Plenary, WEPs Leadership Awards, WEPs Luncheon and Afternoon Roundtable Sessions. The 5 March programme, held at Scandinavia House, will feature a series of WEPs conversations, followed by a government hosted opening reception. Hosted by the WEPs, a partnership initiative of UN Women and the UN Global Compact, the event will bring together the experience of leading stakeholders from business, government and civil society to strengthen local and global solutions.

**Violence against Women as a Cross Border Issue**

_When:_ March 7 | 12:00pm - 3:00pm  
_Who:_ Global Women’s Institute  
_Where:_ Duques Hall, School of Business  
2201 G Street NW, 152  
Washington, District Of Columbia 20052

This rescheduled 16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence keynote panel will discuss immigration reform as it relates to violence against women. The panel, which will be moderated by GWI Director Mary Ellsberg, will include opening remarks by Lynn Rosenthal, the White House Advisor on Violence against Women. The panel will include Terry O’Neill, National Organization for

Since 1997, the Gender and Disaster Network website has served as a vibrant international educational forum for discussion, information sharing, and networking. GDN connects people in a wide variety of regions throughout the world. Broadly, GDN's goals are to:

- Document and analyze women's and men's experiences before, during and after disaster, situating gender relations in broad political, economic, historical and cultural context
- Work across disciplinary and organizational boundaries in support of collaborative research and applied projects
- Foster information sharing and resource building among network members to build and sustain an active international community of scholars and activists

Read more [here](#).
Women (NOW); Maya Raghu, Futures Without Violence; and the Tahirih Justice Center. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to gwomen@gwu.edu.

**Unlocking Nonprofits: Innovations and Careers**
*When*: March 7-8  
*Who*: Public Leadership Education Network (PLEN)  
*Where*: Washington, DC

College women- current students, recent graduates and post-graduate students- considering careers in nonprofits will benefit from meeting with top-level professional women from a wide variety of nonprofit organizations. During this two-day seminar will look at various types of nonprofit organizations as well as the wide array of career opportunities within the nonprofit sector.  
**Scholarship Deadline**: February 7, 2014  
**Registration Deadline**: February 14, 2014

**Urbanization and Insecurity: Crowding, Conflict, and Gender**
*When*: February 18 | 12:00-2:00 pm  
*Who*: Wilson Center, Environmental Change and Security Program  
*Where*: Wilson Center  
5th Floor Conference Room

Recent comparative studies of rapidly growing cities in Asia, Africa, and Latin America have identified a variety of threats to women’s personal security and an equally varied set of government and community responses. This seminar features presentations of the results of large-scale comparative studies as well as ethnographic studies that highlight the role of gender in urban violence.

**High Returns: How Investing in Adolescent Girls Today Will Pay Off Tomorrow**
*When*: March 5 | 6:00-8:00 pm  
*Who*: International Center for Research on Women  
*Where*: National Press Club  
529 14th St. NW, 13th Floor  
Washington, DC 20045

With the release of the first round of findings from its initial evaluation of Apni Beti Apna Dhan (Our Daughter, Our Wealth), an Indian conditional cash transfer program to prevent child marriage and increase the value of girls and women in society, ICRW is pleased to present its seventh discussion in the Passports to...
Progress series. Panelists will also explore important dimensions of adolescent girls' education and transitions to adulthood.

**Tenth Annual IP/Gender: Gender and the Regulation of Traditional Knowledge**

*When:* March 20 | 3pm - 5pm  
*Who:* The American University Washington College of Law  
*Where:* American University Washington College of Law  
4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC  
Room TBC

In many places, women are deemed to be the most important practitioners of certain old arts and the primary custodians of old ways of knowing, with many cultural "traditions" being passed primarily or exclusively from one generation of women to the next. Therefore, the consequences of introducing IP regimes in this area may have special significance for women and their communities, or may reflect underlying assumptions about gender, women's role in processes of decolonization and development, and the distributive consequences of IP regimes. In coordination with the 2nd Annual Cherry Blossom Symposium: Federal Policy and Traditional Knowledge, this event will focus on the role of women and the effect of gender roles on national and international regulation in the area of traditional knowledge, as that term is broadly understood.

**Leveraging Communication, Social Media & Technology for Policymaking**

*When:* March 21-22  
*Who:* Public Leadership Education Network (PLEN)  
*Where:* Washington, DC

College women - current students, recent graduates and post-graduate students- considering careers in communications, social media and technology will explore the newest career opportunities in this excitingly evolving field. Meet with women professionals in communications and technology who are using the innovations in these fields to influence social and political changes. Develop your professional skills at our salary negotiation and resume writing workshops. Expand your network and connect with women leaders in the communications, technology and policy world of Washington, D.C. as well as with other young women with similar interests.
Scholarship deadline: February 14, 2014
Registration deadline: February 21, 2014

**Western Regional International Health Conference: Uncensored: Gender, Sexuality, and Social Movements in Global Health**
*When:* April 4-6  
*Who:* WRIHC Student Committee at the University of Washington  
*Where:* Seattle, Washington

As the 11th annual Western Regional International Health Conference commences, hundreds of students, speakers, and supporters will gather to discuss and engage with the topics of gender, sexuality, and social movements in global health—topics that have previously been overlooked, invisibilized, and even censored.

**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 Program Officer: Sexual, Reproductive & Maternal Health Knowledge Management & Coordination**
*Who:* CARE USA  
*Where:* Atlanta, GA  
*Deadline:* Open until filled
Programme Officer – Grant Making & Capacity Support
Who: UHAI- the East African Sexual Health and Rights Initiative
Where: East Africa
Deadline: February 14

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

Executive Assistant
Who: Association for Women’s Rights in Development
Where: Toronto or Cape Town, Canada
Deadline: Open until filled

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

Innovation and Strategic Investment Internship
Who: Vital Voices
Where: Washington, DC
Deadline: Open until filled

Internship
Who: Development & Training Services, Inc: Gender Practice
Where: Arlington, VA
Deadline: Open until filled
To apply, email a cover letter and resume to amills@onlinedts.com

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

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

Other Opportunities
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; Full manuscripts- October 1

Call for Proposals: Strengthening the Evidence Base for Prevention of Sexual and Intimate Partner (SIPV) Violence in Low and Middle Income Countries
Who: Sexual Violence Research Initiative
Where: Worldwide
Deadline: March 10

Call for Applications: Summer School on Transitional Justice, Addressing Sexual Violence and Gendered Harmin Conflict and Post-Conflict Settings: Addressing Enforcement, Essentialism, and Masculinities
Who: Transitional Justice Institute, University of Ulster
Where: University of Ulster, Northern Ireland, Jordanstown Campus
Deadline: Applications due March 14; Summer School June 23-27

Call for Applications: International Internship Grant
Who: Elliott School Graduate Student Career Development
Where: Washington, DC
Deadline: March 28
This opportunity is available to current Elliott School graduate students. For more information, email escareer@gwu.edu.

Call for Papers: The Feminism and Legal Theory Project at 30: A Workshop on Labor and Employment
Who: Emory School of Law
Where: Atlanta, GA
Deadline: April 25-26

Call for Papers: Intimate Partner Violence and Mental Health
Who: Global Health Action and European Journal of Psychotraumatology
Where: Worldwide
Deadline: April 30

Call for Submissions: Gender Based Violence Science Fair
Who: Global Women’s Institute and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI)
Where: Worldwide
Deadline: June 1
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

Issue 3 of wH2O the Journal of Gender and Water
wh2O The Journal of Gender and Water is an online, open-access academic journal for women and water issues around the world that provides a centralized hub for gender, water and sanitation information. This third issue includes case studies from Guatemala, India, Uganda, and Zambia. Features include a research program in Guatemala that examines how educating women on water filtration and purification impacts the overall health of the community; a review of the implications of poor water access and analysis of the symbiotic relationship between land and water rights, and how both must be considered to truly empower women in rural Uganda; discussion of current and future water scarcity in India today and how it could affect gender inequality; and in Zambia, a study that helps quantify the fundamental role that women hold when it comes to water for their households, the influence that they can potentially exert over water use, and how far progressive policies to involve them in water institutions have succeeded.

Jamaat-e-Islami Women in Pakistan Vanguard of a New Modernity?
This book combines ethnographic research and textual data in a study of women from the party elected to local, provincial, and national bodies.

Passionate Politics: The Life and Work of Charlotte Bunch
This documentary and its companion discussion guide tell the story of Charlotte Bunch’s life. The film features women from Asia, Africa, South America and the Caribbean who have worked with Charlotte to put women’s rights on the global human rights agenda.

Blog Notes

The urgency of an independent women’s movement against debt and austerity measures
How does the debt crisis affect women? How can women
organize to resist austerity measures?

I hear the banging of the doors and the sound of their keys.

Women seek asylum because they are tortured and persecuted; all too often they are imprisoned and persecuted again in the countries where they are seeking asylum.