Course Offerings on Gender in Summer 2014

**Women in Global Politics**
Course Info: IAFF 2190W CRN: 72373
Instructor: Michele Clark | maclark@gwu.edu
Note: This is a distance learning course.

**Human Trafficking**
Course Info: IAFF 3183 CRN: 11246
Instructor: Michele Clark | maclark@gwu.edu
Note: This is a distance learning course.

**Theory: Global Women's Rights I**
Course Info: IAFF 3190.20 CRN: 12254
Instructor: Michele Clark | maclark@gwu.edu
Time: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 9:00am - 12:00pm
07/05/14 - 08/01/14
Note: This is a Summer Institute Course. This course is intended for Gender Issues & Activism in a Global Environment Summer Institute students only. For further information about this course including how to register, please contact: the office of Summer & Special Programs

**Action: Global Women's Rights II**
Course Info: IAFF 3190.21 CRN: 12255
Instructor: Michele Clark | maclark@gwu.edu
Time: Monday, Wednesdays, Thursdays 3:00 - 6:00pm; Tuesdays 9:00am - 6:00pm; and Fridays 9:00am - 7:00pm
07/05/14 - 08/01/14

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Women's Empowerment: Perspectives from Near and Far

Guest post by doctoral student Brian Keilson

A second international videoconference was held on February 19, as part of the on-going partnership between the Global Gender Program at the George Washington University and the Gender and Development Studies
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Research Methods in Global Gender Issues
Course Info: IAFF 6118.10 CRN: 11716
Instructor: Jane Henrici | henrici@email.gwu.edu
Time: Tuesdays 5:10 - 7:00pm and Thursdays 7:10 - 9:00pm
05/19/14 - 06/28/14

Global Gender Forum Events

Re-thinking gender in peacebuilding
When: April 1 | 1-2pm
Who: Global Gender Program
Where: Elliott School of International Affairs
1957 E St NW
Suite 501 Conference Room
RSVP here

In this seminar, Henri Myrttinen will present "Re-thinking gender in peacebuilding", which is based on a 3 year research project in Burundi, Colombia, Nepal and Uganda with the thematic focal areas of access to justice, economic recovery, inter-generational conflict and continuums of violence. It explores how the gender, peace and security agenda could better engage with men and boys, as well as sexual and gender minorities, while remaining engaged with improving the lives of women and girls. As a part of this, we are also looking at how to meaningfully work with a more nuanced approach to gender, i.e. how age, social class, marital status, urban/rural setting, etc. inter-act with gender identities.

Henri Myrttinen is a senior research officer on gender in peacebuilding at International Alert, London. He has been working and publishing on issues of gender, peace and security with a special focus on masculinities and violence for the past decade and holds a Ph.D. in Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. His thesis examined masculinities and violence in the context of East Timorese militias, gangs and marital...
Girls’ Education and School-related Gender-based Violence
Panel Discussion *Rescheduled*
When: April 23, 2014 | 5:00-7:00 pm
Light reception to begin at 4:30 pm and continue after panel
Who: FHI 360 and the Global Gender Program
Where: Room 602, Lindner Family Commons
1957 E Street NW
Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University
Washington, DC 20052

Between 500 million and 1.5 billion children experience violence every year, many within and around the school community. School-related gender based violence (SRGBV) is a global phenomenon that is a barrier to girls’ and boys’ educational achievements, is correlated with lower academic achievement, higher economic insecurity, and greater long-term health risks. SRGBV is related to other forms of violence in the community, particularly for girls, and reinforces harmful gender norms.

What is the development community doing to address SRGBV and its impact on girls’ education worldwide? This interactive panel discussion will examine the connections between SRGBV and girls’ access to, retention in, and completion of school. Panelists will explore challenges to preventing SRGBV, approaches for changing norms, opportunities for empowering girls, and will offer solutions for fostering safe learning environments to improve educational outcomes for girls and boys alike.

WELCOMING REMARKS
Barbara Miller, Professor of Anthropology and International Affairs; Director, Institute for Global and International Studies; Director, Global Gender Program, George Washington University

PANEL
Andrea M. Bertone, Director, Gender Department, FHI 360 & Adjunct Professor, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University (MODERATOR)
Julie Hanson Swanson, Acting Chief, Education Division, Bureau for Africa, USAID
Eugene Katzin, Senior Technical Officer, Gender

Program & Network (WUNRN)
The Women’s UN Report Program & Network (WUNRN) is a non-governmental organization dedicated to promoting human rights and empowering women and girls all over the world. WUNRN is tasked with implementing the conclusions and recommendations of the “United Nations Study on Freedom of Religion of Belief and the Status of Women from the Viewpoint of Religion and Traditions” (E/CN.4/2002/73/Add.2), a study that represents a comprehensive UN approach to combat intolerance and discrimination against women based on their religion or traditions. WUNRN, together with The Tandem Project, established a coalition in 2003 to build on the Juridical and Factual Aspects of this study by conducting research, and developing plans of action and practical projects. In addition, the WUNRN website is a worldwide information center and forum. It acts as a catalyst to encourage women’s NGOs, other organizations and programs to exchange information on this topic. Read more here.
Department, FHI 360

**Andrea Powell,** Founder and Executive Director, FAIR Girls & Adjunct Professor, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University

**Sandie Taylor,** Senior Communications & Business Development Officer, Together for Girls

**Maryce Ramsey,** Senior Gender Advisor, Gender Department, FHI 360 (DISCUSSANT)

# Events

**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.

**Fearless Networking Skills Seminar**

*When*: March 20 | 6:00 - 7:30  
*Who*: Women in Public Affairs  
*Where*: 1957 E St. NW, Room B12

As a result of the skills seminar, participants will: learn how to be intentional, purposeful and strategic when networking; review questions to ask during networking and informational interviews, including the 30-second elevator pitch; practice networking techniques with professional career advisors; and
create an action plan for next steps in their networking process. Registration required.

**Women As Leaders: Yes, You Can Have "Your" All**

*When:* March 20, 2014 | 7:00 - 9:30 pm  
*Who:* Eta Chapter of Delta Phi Epsilon Professional Foreign Service Sorority, Elizabeth Somers Women's Leadership Program, and the Global Women's Institute  
*Where:* Jack Morton Auditorium  
805 21st Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20052

This event features **Amy Siskind**, President of **The New Agenda**. Amy Siskind will present on her well-received op-ed "Yes, You Can Have 'Your' All." She will share her experiences as the Founder of The New Agenda, and offer critical advice on how to achieve professional success and economic independence. Her presentation will be followed by a moderated discussion with a series of panelists that represent STEM, non-profit, government and private sector careers.

Panelists include:
Sophie Raseman, Director of Smart Disclosure, U.S. Treasury Department, Office of Consumer Policy  
**Dr. Lara Brown**, Associate Professor of Political Management, Director of Graduate Political Management Program, The George Washington University  
**Patricia Koopersmith**, Chief Operating Officer, The Clearing, Inc.

The panel moderator will be **Rachelle Heller**, Director of the Elizabeth Somers Women's Leadership Program and Professor of Computer Science (GWU).

The event will conclude with a networking reception, generously sponsored by the **Global Women's Institute**, for all attendees.

**International Water Day**

*When:* Friday, March 21, 2014 | 9:00-11:00 am  
*Who:* Women and Water Project at GW's Elliott School and WASH Advocates  
*Where:* 1957 E Street, NW Room 505  
Washington DC  
RSVP [here](#)

In 1993, the United Nations declared March 22nd as the official "World Day for Water", with the aim to raise
awareness and focus attention on sustainably managing this important resource. This year World Water Day focuses on the interplay of Energy and Water. In honor of this day, the State Department-funded Women and Water Project at GW’s Elliott School, along with WASH Advocates, invite you to a roundtable breakfast event to discuss energy and water challenges and share knowledge on improving management and governance through enhanced participation of women and social inclusion.

Speakers: Julia Collins - Program Officer Women and Water Project; Marcus King - George Washington University water expert; Barbara Miller - George Washington University gender expert; Amanda Klasing - Human Rights Watch; Rebecca Fishman - WASH Advocates.

**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.

**Miss Rizos: Root of Beauty**
*When:* March 24 | 7:00PM
*Who:* Alpha Gamma Señoritas of Sigma Lambda Upsilon, in collaboration with The Crown of Glory (COG) and Organization of Latino American Students (OLAS)
*Where:* Marvin Center Room | Room 309
*Address:* 800 21st Street NW Washington, DC

Join the Alpha Gamma Señoritas of Sigma Lambda Upsilon, in collaboration with The Crown of Glory (COG) and Organization of Latino American Students (OLAS),
for an open forum on perceptions of beauty for women of color in conjunction with the University's Women's History Month Celebration. The event will feature keynote, Carolina Contreras, better known as Miss Rizos. She is a woman of Afro-Dominican decent who has gained popularity via social media for challenging European conceptions of beauty and encouraging women to love their hair.

**Global Refugee Simulation and Conference**
*When:* March 29-30
*Who:* American Red Cross
*Where:* Washington, DC

What would you do if you were forced to leave your possessions, your home, and everything you had ever known? Where would you go? Who would you trust? What lengths would you go to in order to keep yourself and your family safe? The Global Refugee Simulation & Conference, taking place March 29-30 in Washington, DC, will bring this challenge to life for you. For one day, you must fight to survive against impossible odds. You must strive to maintain normalcy while escaping political conflict and violence. The two-day event consists of a Simulation on March 29th coupled with a Digital Conference on March 30th. During the conference portion, issues relating to gender will be addressed.

**Women, drug policy, and incarceration in the Americas**
*When:* March 31 | 2:30 - 5:30pm
*Who:* Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the OAS, CIM/OAS, IDPC, and the Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA)
*Where:* 17th St and Constitution Ave NW, Hall of the Americas
Washington, DC 20006

This roundtable, organized by the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the OAS, CIM/OAS, IDPC, and the Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA) will explore the increased participation of women in all spheres of the illicit drugs market, as well as the gender dynamics of their involvement. It will also address the need to rethink the hemispheric approach to the issue from a human rights and gender perspective.

**Women in the World: Stories + Solutions**
When: April 3-5  
Who: Women in the World Foundation  
Where: David H. Koch Theater  
20 Lincoln Center  
New York, NY 10023

Join Women in the World Foundation for a powerful and exciting summit centered on live journalistic storytelling with inspiring women and men from around the world sharing their true stories of courage, resilience, and determination for progress. Featuring CEOs, industry icons, and world leaders, as well as artists, grassroots activists, and firebrand dissidents, the 3-day event makes vivid the stories of the courageous and intelligent women who are taking on the status quo in their native countries, leading peace movements in the face of war and conflict, and shattering glass ceilings in every sector.

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2014 SAIS Global Women in Leadership Conference, Technology in Action: Changing the Way Women Live and Work  
When: April 4  
Who: SAIS Global Women in Leadership  
The Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)  
Where: Johns Hopkins SAIS  
1740 Massachusetts Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20036

The 2014 conference “Technology in Action: Changing the Way Women Live and Work,” will examine the ways in which technology is altering the way women manage their lives and the opportunities available to them. Panelists and participants will address how technology is improving access, independence, connectivity and productivity of those who were previously ‘off the grid.’ The conference will look at the impact of technology on societies politically, economically and socially and how women are taking advantage of the new areas of access technology provides. In Africa, women are able to access new markets and employment opportunities via the Internet. In the Middle East, new technology creates economic opportunity and an avenue for women to become key players in the socio-political events shaping the region. In the United States, technology is shifting the boundaries between work and home. Innovations in electricity provision and improved access to education are changing the opportunities available for people around the world. This year’s
conference will take stock of how technology has leveled the playing field for women and will ask how technology can be harnessed to do even more to address some of the most pressing issues facing women. Beyond simply presenting the challenges and opportunities, the conference will present concrete solutions. Public, private and international organizations are approaching these issues through different channels—from impact investing to aid—with varying degrees of success. It is important to assess successful strategies in order to identify those that are scalable and replicable across borders and sectors. The Global Women in Leadership Conference aims to identify key trends and innovations within this rapidly evolving sector, highlight successful strategies, and empower a new generation of leaders to make lasting change.

**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  
RSVP to womenleading4peace@usip.org

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.

3rd Annual International Feminist Journal of Politics Conference: Gender and Crises in Global Politics
When: May 9-11
Who: International Feminist Journal of Politics
Where: Davidson Conference Center, University of Southern California

Confirmed Keynote Speakers: Jack Halberstam, the University of Southern California; J. Ann Tickner, American University; Jacqui True, Monash University

Other Confirmed Speakers: Carol Cohn, University of Massachusetts, Boston; Sandra Harding, the University of California, Los Angeles; Cynthia Weber, the University of Sussex

Opportunities

Jobs
Policy Advisor, Governance
Who: UN Women - United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
Where: Dakar, Senegal
Deadline: March 21

Gender and Natural Resource Management Research and Policy Expert
Who: UNDP - United Nations Development Programme
Where: Monrovia, Liberia
Deadline: March 27

Gender-Training And Program Development Specialist
Who: Cuso International
Where: Belize City, Belize
Deadline: March 31

Executive Assistant/Office Manager
Who: SNV USA
Where: Bethesda, MD
Deadline: March 31

Emergency Women’s Protection and Empowerment
(WPE) Manager
Who: International Rescue Committee
Where: South Sudan
Deadline: April 6

Projects Coordinator
Who: Equidad de Género
Where: Mexico City, Mexico
Deadline: Open until filled

Operations Manager
Who: GW Global Women’s Institute
Where: Washington, DC
Deadline: Open until filled

Internships
Intern: Migration-Related Projects
Who: UN Women
Where: Almaty, Kazakhstan
Deadline: March 20

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

Other Opportunities
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 Applications: 2014/2015 Elizabeth Neuffer Fellowship
Who: The International Women’s Media Foundation
Where: Cambridge, Massachusetts
Deadline: April 11

Call for Papers: $10,000 Research Award on topic related to Women and Conflict Outcomes
Who: US Naval War College
Where: Worldwide
Deadline: April 15

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 papers: Conference on Gender, Empowerment and Conflict in South Asia
Who: International Conference on Gender, Empowerment and Conflict in South Asia
Where: Kolkata, India
Deadline: Abstracts due May 1; Conference November 7-8

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
Men, Peace, and Security Symposium: Agents of Change
This 10 minute video highlights the main take aways from the “Men, Peace, and Security: Agents of Change” symposium. This symposium was co-hosted by The U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP), The World Bank, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) – North America, Women in International Security (WIIS), Promundo – US, and Sonke Gender Justice from October 28-29, 2013. This film illustrates the conclusions from the seven panels that served to expand on the women, peace, and security agenda in providing a holistic understanding of the impacts of gender roles in shaping conflict and violence, and the implications for peace and security.

Blog Notes
Tapping into Africa’s Potential: Why the Marginalized Matter
Inclusion of young women workers can bolster economic growth in Africa.
Bringing Hope to Women in Sri Lanka’s Former Conflict Zones
USAID initiatives work to economically empower women living in the former conflict zones.