International Affairs MA Program introduces major field in global gender policy

The GGP is pleased to announce a new "major field" within the International Affairs MA degree program, the Elliott School's largest MA program. It comprises 12 credit hours and provides knowledge of global gender policy challenges and programs, expertise in research methods, and exposure to critical skills and toolkits. It will equip students with the ability to pursue and succeed in the increasing number of careers that value global gender expertise.

Update: Course Offerings on Gender in Summer 2014

**Research Methods in Global Gender Issues**
*Moved to Summer Session II, 07/07/14 - 08/16/14*
Course Info: IAFF 6118.10 CRN: 11716
Instructor: Jane Henrici | henrici@email.gwu.edu
Tuesday 5:10PM - 7:00PM and Thursday 07:10PM - 09:00PM

**Gender Advisor: Roles & Skills**
*This course is a new addition to the offerings during Summer Session II*
Course Info: IAFF 6503.23 CRN: 12729
Instructor: Andrea Bertone | abertone@gwu.edu

Women, Peace, Security, and Development Bibliography update

By student intern Lena Krikorian

In March, the Global Gender Program's Women, Peace, Security, and Development Bibliography grew to nearly 2,340 sources.

We continue to improve the quality of listing on the database by adding more
This course only meets: 8/2 and 8/3. The class will meet from 9am-5pm on these dates.

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
Lindner Family Commons, Room 602
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. interact 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 martial arts groups.

Stopping Violence Against Women: Women’s Rights as Human Rights
When: April 17 | 11am-12pm
Who: Global Gender Program
Where: Elliott School of International Affairs
1957 E St NW Washington, DC 20052
RSVP here

Alison Brysk, Fellow, Global Women’s Leadership

Please feel free to suggest additional sources by sending an email to: 1325bib.ggp@gmail.com.

Read more here.

Org Spotlight: Indonesian Women's Association for Justice & Legal Aid Institute

RT @UN_Women "Equality means... everyone - women, men, boys, girls - has the right to be safe" - @GaryHaugen @IJM. #HeforShe pic.twitter.com/A9IWzDFJfT
Violence against women kills and maims more people than any war, and is estimated to affect one out of three women worldwide—yet it has only recently been recognized as a human rights problem. What can the framework adopted since the 1993 Vienna Conference, “women’s rights are human rights,” teach us about how to mobilize to stop violence against women? A generation of research on the politics of human rights campaigns suggest the importance of transnational action, framing, information politics, and the specific challenges of “private wrongs” committed by non-state actors. This talk will survey a global panorama of campaigns, with a focus on sexual violence in India.

**Girls’ Education and School-related Gender-based Violence**

*Rescheduled Panel Discussion to celebrate International Women's Day*

**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 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

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.
**Rehaii: A Film Screening and Discussion on Gender and Economics in Pakistan**
*When:* March 31 | 4:00pm  
*Who:* The Atlantic Council  
*Where:* 1030 15th St. NW, 12th Floor (West Elevators)  
Washington, DC

Media are a powerful lever in creating awareness about social issues and bringing about a change in thinking and mindset. Kashf Foundation, one of Pakistan’s first specialized microfinance institutions, produced and aired a fifteen-episode television show in Pakistan on gender issues and have also produced a feature film on the subject. The Atlantic Council's South Asia Center is proud to host a screening of Rehaii, followed by a moderated discussion on the outcomes and learning from the project. Roshaneh Zafar, managing director, Kashf Foundation and Zainab Saeed, manager of internal and external engagement, Kashf Foundation will share their first-hand perspectives.

**Rehaii Film Screening at American University**
*When:* April 1 | 6:00 pm  
*Who:* U.S.-Pakistan Women’s Council Student Chapter  
*Where:* American University, Mary Graydon Center's Wechsler Theatre  
RSVP Required

The U.S.-Pakistan Women’s Council Student Chapter is honored to host a movie and discussion with the Kashf Foundation’s founder Roshaneh Zafar. Ms. Zafar established the Kashf Foundation, the first specialized microfinance institution (MFI) to serve women in Pakistan. An innovator in the field of microfinance, the Kashf Foundation is the first nongovernmental MFI to provide insurance services, and introduce individual lending to target the “missing middle” of the microfinance market, while currently it is developing a systematic program for imparting financial education to women and girls.

**Countering Violent Extremism in Pakistan: Why Women Must Have a Role**
*When:* April 2 | 4:00-5:30pm  
*Who:* Atlantic Council  
*Where:* 1030 15th Street, NW, 12th Floor (West Tower)  
Washington, DC
Pakistan is at a crucial juncture as it tries to contain and combat militant violence that has devastated communities, families, and lives across all provinces. Pakistani women are frequent targets of radical ideologies and terrorism, giving them unique perspectives on how to counter violent extremism in their communities and homes. But despite the potential to be powerful participants in creating and implementing policies aimed at reducing the appeal of radicalization and extremism, women in Pakistan are instead often marginalized in security decision-making processes.

This panel event will feature women from Pakistan’s parliament, civil society, and security sectors who are actively working to moderate extremism in their communities and region. The women will discuss the security challenges in Pakistan from their distinct perspectives, highlight their roles in countering violent extremism, and discuss policy recommendations that more effectively address women’s roles in the peace and security of Pakistan and the region.

**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.

**Leveling the Playing Field: Creating Leadership Opportunities for Women and Girls**
*When:* April 4 | 2:00 - 4:00pm  
*Who:* FHI 360  
*Where:* 1825 Connecticut Avenue
This panel discussion on creating opportunities for women and girls to assert themselves as community leaders will explore the importance of female participation in civil society and strategies for overcoming obstacles faced by women. The discussion is part of the Girls LEAD Nepal program, an international exchange program funded by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs SportsUnited Division. The Girls LEAD Nepal program is a two-way exchange program that seeks to provide Nepali youth development professionals with the tools to design and implement sports programs that will help young women develop leadership skills and apply those skills to become leaders in their respective communities. QUESTIONS? Contact mweinstein@fhi360.org

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.

**Dare to Think: TEDxFulbright 2014**
*When:* April 5  
*Who:* TEDxFulbright  
*Where:* Washington, DC

TEDxFulbright will compose a full-day program from 9:30-6:00 for 425 participants with 16 speakers (6-18 minute talks), 2-3 musical performances, 3 networking breaks, catered lunch, facilitated networking activities, champagne and cookie reception (until 7:00 pm), and the Experience Lab, an interactive space with project and product demos.

Marlene Stearns is one of the speakers at this event. Her talk is entitled: "The image of the female farmer
Topic: No longer is the woman farmer in Africa, Latin America, or the Caribbean a voiceless peasant. She is determined, knowledgeable, and confidently changing her country’s food landscape. An endless champion of women in agriculture, I’ll share the stories of ten inspirational women who have conquered challenges to emerge as successful entrepreneurs and leaders in their country’s agricultural industry, ensuring a supply of safe, nutritional foods farmed in a sustainable way that benefits growers’ communities’ food security, health, water, and land. I’ll also share the nine key strategies they have all used to start and grow their companies. The faces of these women are the new faces of agriculture in the world’s lesser developed economies. They are the cream of the crop and more women are following their lead every day.

Speaker bio: Marlene Stearns has led economic growth and agricultural development initiatives for 12 years, five living in West Africa. She has been a key speaker on the U.S. food market, marketing strategy, trade based development, and U.S. regulatory requirements at 55 events in five countries, including the U.S. She is a former Fulbright researcher of non-tariff barriers to trade that limited African farmers’ opportunities to export to the U.S. under AGOA. In 2013 she founded 3Psourcing: sustaining people, planet, profit to assist socially minded African and Latin America food companies to export their specialty foods to the U.S. She has recently completed a collection of case studies for the GWU Global Gender Program on the rise of women entrepreneurial leaders in agriculture in Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Ms. Stearns was raised on a dairy farm in Pennsylvania and currently resides in Bogota, Colombia with her husband and two daughters.

Fifth Annual GW Women in Business Spring Conference

When: April 5
Who: GW Women in Business
Where: Funger & Duquès Halls
2201 G Street NW,
Washington, D.C. 20052

GW Women in Business invites you to attend their 5th Annual Spring Conference on Saturday, April 5th in Funger & Duques Halls. This event gives young women and men the tools to grow and develop the confidence to make a difference in the world through
meaningful, powerful careers. Through the theme, "Driving Vision to Reality," the conference aims to enable the next generation of ethical, entrepreneurial, and electric leaders. Distinguished keynotes are Marne Levine (VP of Global Public Policy, Facebook), Marla Beck (Co-founder & CEO, Bluemercury), and Jean Wang (Lead Hardware Engineer, Google[x]). The conference also includes industry-focused panels, career and professional development workshops, breakfast, a networking luncheon, a dessert reception, and a swag bag valued at $300! To get your ticket and for more information on the conference visit http://gwwibspringconference.org/attend-event/. Questions? Want to get involved with the Spring Conference? Email info@gwwibspringconference.org.

Varying the Variations: An Expanded Spectrum of Conflict-time Violence Against Women and the Problem of Law’s Response
When: April 8 | 12:30-2pm
Who: Global Women’s Institute
Where: 714 21st Street, NW
1st Floor Conference Room
Washington, District Of Columbia 20052

As the April Installment of the GWI Faculty Research Luncheon Series, Aisling Swaine will discuss her paper: "Varying the Variations: An Expanded Spectrum of Conflict-time Violence Against Women and the Problem of Law's Response". This study gets to the heart of examining what counts as conflict-related gender violence under international law and queries whether the polarity of the public-private serves to make invisible forms of violence that do not fit into either strictly private or the strictly public/political categories. Light lunch will be served during this event. Please RSVP to gwomen@gwu.edu.

Gender and the Economy
When: April 14| 6pm-8pm
Who: World Bank Group
Where: IFC Auditorium
2121 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC

Join The World Bank Group for an engaging discussion on the role of women in the global economy and the presentation of the 2014 IFC CEO Gender Awards by Jin Yong-Cai, IFC EVP & CEO. For
more information or to RSVP, email Elizabeth Gibbens at EGibbens@ifc.org.

**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: University of Southern California Davidson Conference Center

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**
**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

**Adolescent Girls’ Legal Defense Fund Program Manager**
*Who:* Equality Now  
*Where:* New York  
*Deadline:* April 5

**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

**Chief Executive Officer**
*Who:* Women for Women International  
For more information, please contact Women for Women International's Senior Director of Communications, Amber Khan, at amber.khan@womenforwomen.org or (301) 758-7275

**Internships**
**Development 2014 Summer Intern**
*Who:* Center for Reproductive Rights  
*Where:* New York, NY  
*Deadline:* Open until filled

**Gender and Elections Intern**
*Who:* International Foundation for Electoral Systems  
*Where:* Washington, DC  
*Deadline:* April 15

**Gender Advocacy Internship**
*Who:* If I Could...  
*Where:* Cape Town, SA  
*Deadline:* Rolling
Other Opportunities

**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

**Securing Women’s Land and Property Rights: A Critical Step to Address HIV, Violence, and Food Security**

The Briefing Paper "examines the importance of women’s land and property rights in the contexts of HIV and AIDS, violence against women, and food security. Land and property rights increase women’s autonomy—decreasing their dependence on men and..."
entrapment in abusive relationships, enabling greater control over sexual relations, and improving their ability to produce food for themselves and their families. This brief examines where and how these rights are protected under international human rights standards and offer strategies to help women effectively claim and enforce their rights."

Re-thinking gender in peacebuilding
This International Alert report, contains the findings of a 3 year research project in Burundi, Colombia, Nepal and Uganda aimed at deepening the understanding of the role gender plays in peacebuilding. The research has for thematic focal areas: access to justice, economic recovery, inter-generational conflict and continuums of violence. On April 1, co-author Henri Myrttinen will speak on this report at the Elliott School.

Blog Notes

In Spain millions march for dignity
2 million demonstrators marched to reject austerity measures and to demand equal rights for all.

Women in Development
Gender equity should be a priority, in developed and developing countries alike.