Michele Manatt Endowed Fellowship 2014-2015

The Michele Manatt Endowed Fellowship is available for second year graduate students at the Elliott School of International Affairs, GW. In order to be considered for this fellowship, students must show a firm commitment to studying women's/girls' issues in developing countries. This can be demonstrated through focused coursework and research interests.

This award is worth a total of $2,000 for one academic year.
If you are interested in applying for the Michele Manatt Fellowship for the 2014-2015 academic year, please send a statement of interest (approximately 500 words) and resume to ggp@email.gwu.edu by July 1, 2014.

Note: To be considered for the Michele Manatt Fellowship, you must register for at least 6 credits each semester and remain in good academic standing. The fellowship is applied toward tuition and does not cover fees, summer coursework, or additional coursework beyond the 40 credits required for the degree. Any part of the tuition award that is not used within the academic year reverts to the Elliott School and cannot be converted to cash.

Events

Delivering Quality Antenatal Care in Low Resource Settings: Examining Innovative Models and Planning For Scale Up

Elliott School of International Affairs
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
**When:** June 30 | 3:00pm — 5:00pm  
**Who:** Wilson Center Maternal Health Initiative, co-sponsored with the Global Sustainability and Resilience Program  
**Where:** 5th Floor, Woodrow Wilson Center  
Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center  
One Woodrow Wilson Plaza  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20004-3027  
[RSVP here](#)

The World Health Organization recommends that all pregnant women attend a minimum of four antenatal care visits with a trained health care provider and that a number of key services be provided at those visits. However, there are large inequities in access, adherence, and quality of antenatal care between and within regions and countries. In order to meet the needs of all pregnant women and newborns – by diagnosing and treating infections, screening for anemia and nutrition deficiencies, addressing malaria in pregnancy, and preventing HIV transmission, among other services – the global health community must come together to identify innovative solutions for improving access, content, and quality of antenatal care around the world. Join the Maternal Health Initiative as they host a policy dialogue focused on delivering quality antenatal care with a focus on low-resource settings.

**Neda Wants To Die**  
**When:** June 30 | 5-6:30 p.m.  
**Who:** World Bank Art Program and World Bank Group Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV)  
**Where:** Preston Auditorium, World Bank Group MC Building, 701 18th St., NW, Washington DC 20433

An original play about violence against women in conflict, written and directed by World Bank Group adviser Luigi Laraia. The performance is part of ‘1 in 3’, a project of the World Bank Art Program and its partners to raise awareness on the global epidemic of violence against women and girls.

All visitors must register at [artprogram@worldbank.org](mailto:artprogram@worldbank.org). External visitors must bring a government-issued photo ID for building admission. Please arrive 30 minutes before program starts.

**International Conference on Gender, Empowerment and Conflict in South Asia**
When: November 7-8, 2014  
Who: Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group (MCRG) and the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)  
Where: Kolkata, India

The Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group (MCRG) and the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO) are jointly organizing the International Conference on “Gender, Empowerment and Conflict in South Asia”. This is the final conference for a collaborative project entitled Making Women Count for Peace: Gender, Empowerment and Conflict in South Asia. Funded by the Research Council of Norway's INDNOR and NORGLOBAL programmes, the project aims to generate new knowledge and debate on women's empowerment and the challenges facing implementation of UNSCR 1325 in Nepal and India. With a focus on Northeast Indian experiences and a comparative look at Nepal, the project addresses the role of women in local governance and politics, particularly within the context of peace and security processes.

2nd MenEngage Global Symposium 2014 Men and Boys for Gender Justice

When: November 10-13  
Who: MenEngage and the Centre for Health and Social Justice  
Where: India Habitat Centre  
New Delhi, India

MenEngage, a global alliance of organizations working with men and boys for gender equality is organizing the 2nd MenEngage Global Symposium in Delhi in November 2014. The overall theme of the Symposium is 'Men and Boys for Gender Justice' and encompasses a holistic approach to understanding the implications of masculinities in different domains and disciplines of development and social justice related action in a globalizing world.

As the work with men and boys for gender equality matures, there is a realization that while men and boys are implicated in violence and discrimination against women and girls, many men and boys are themselves victims of violence and risks associated with narrow views of masculinity. The rapidly changing realities of the globalized economy is bringing new challenges in men lives which many are unable to cope with. ‘Masculinities’ is emerging as an important lens to understand the influences and compulsions that men face. In a world confronted with the spectre of manifold violence, the
opportunities for peace, justice, physical, mental and emotional well-being and mutually respectful co-existence are rapidly becoming compromised. It is men who wield power in the world, it is men who set standards for each other and it is their standards that have brought about the current state of affairs. If the situation has to improve towards a social order which allows everyone equal opportunity and space, it is necessary to interrogate and reform dominant masculinities.

The Symposium will bring together researchers and practitioners, advocates and activists, government representatives and the donor community to share experiences and evidence, reflections and insights, promote dialogue with those engaged with women’s rights work to seek directions on how men and boys can creatively contribute to gender equality, the new development paradigm beyond the MDG framework, and towards the broader vision of social justice.

Opportunities

**Volunteer Opportunity**

**Volunteer Opportunity: Development Officer**

*Who:* Diaspora African Women’s Network

*Where:* Washington, DC

**Jobs**

**Chief Executive Officer**

*Who:* Women for Women International

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**Programme Assistant, Peace and Security**

*Who:* UN Women

*Where:* New York

*Deadline:* June 25

**International Consultant-E-Learning Specialist**

*Who:* UN Women

*Where:* Home-based

*Deadline:* July 3

**Programme Analyst**

*Who:* UN Women

*Where:* Lilongwe, Malawi

*Deadline:* July 4
Internships

Africa Program Summer Internship

Who: Vital Voices
Where: Washington, DC
Deadline: Open until filled

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

A Question of Sex: Feminism, Rhetoric, and Differences That Matter
by Kristan Poirot. University of Massachusetts Press, 2014. This book examines the rhetoric of feminist movements from the nineteenth century to the present. By the mid-1990s feminist theorists and critics began to challenge conventional thinking about sex difference and its relationship to gender and sexuality. Scholars such as Anne Fausto-Sterling and Judith Butler troubled the sex-gender/nature-nurture divide. Some have asserted that these questions about sex are much too abstract to contribute to a valuable understanding of the material politics faced by feminist movements. Poirot challenges this assumption and demonstrates that contemporary theories about sex, gender, identity, and difference compel a rethinking of the history of feminist movements and their rhetorical practices. She focuses on five case studies—the circulation of Sojourner Truth's “Ain't I a Woman?” in early and contemporary feminist contexts; the visual rhetorics of the feminist self-help health movement; the public discourse of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and early nineteenth-century ideas about suffrage, sex, and race; the conflicts over lesbian sexuality in the 1960s and 1970s; and the discourse that surrounds twenty-first-century SlutWalks.

Love, Money, and HIV: Becoming a Modern African Woman in the Age of AIDS
outsider-insider perspective, Mojola argues that the entanglement of love, money, and the transformation of girls into “consuming women” lies at the heart of women’s coming-of-age and health crises.

Blog Notes

Women and Girls in the Afghanistan Transition
Council on Foreign Relations’ working paper urges action to solidify gains for women and close persisting gaps, specifically regarding the rule of law, education, health, political participation, security, and economic opportunity.

Is sexual violence in conflict a new Trojan horse?
Commentary on the Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict and the UK government's response to sexual violence in conflict.