

# Geis Student Research on Women Conference

April 14, 2007

125/126 Alfred Lerner Hall

University of Delaware

9:00 a.m. **Registration and Refreshments, Atrium**

9:30 a.m. **Welcome, Room 125**

*Wunyabari Maloba*, Assistant Vice President for Affirmative Action and Multicultural Programs and Associate Professor of Black American Studies and Women's Studies, University of Delaware

## **Social Science Undergraduate Division, Room 125**

Moderator: Richie Holland, Women's Studies, University of Delaware

9:40 The Case of the Human Body: Literacy of Gender Signifiers

*Bex Lawrence*, Temple University

10:00 Black Women and a History of Rape

*Shannon Coyne*, Saint Joseph's University

10:20 Marxism, Feminism and Their Likely Yet Tense Merger

*Lindsay Brooke Melotek*, University of Delaware

10:40 To Rule with Men: Women in the American Federal Judiciary

*Bill Russo*, University of Delaware

11:00 NAFTA: Exploitation of Mexican Women

*Katherine Gibson*, University of Delaware

11:20 Organizing Wo(men)rkers: Improving Transnational Cooperation in the Global Garment Industry to Address the Concerns of Female Workers

*Dina Yarmus*, Ursinus College

11:40 Towards a Counter-Hegemonic Framework: Studying Women in the Zapatista Movement

*Sara Getz*, Temple University

## **Social Science Undergraduate Division, Room 126**

Moderator: Carolyn Bitzer, Women's Studies, University of Delaware

9:40 Prostitution in the Netherlands

*Kelsey Addey*, University of Delaware

10:00 The Need for Renovation: Reforming European Union Policy to Better Address Root Causes of Human Trafficking for the Purpose of Sexual Exploitation

*Ashley L. Kobi*, Drexel University

10:20 “First World” Sex and “Third World” Bodies: Caribbean Femininity, Eroticism and Internet Sex Tourism

*Liz Zadnik, Temple University*

**Women’s Health and Well-Being Division, Room 126**

Moderator: Karen Rosenberg, Anthropology and Women’s Studies, University of Delaware

10:40 Beyond “Baby Blues”: Post-Partum Depression

*Kathryn McIntosh, University of Delaware*

11:00 Role of PKC and Regulation of Uterine Smooth Muscle Contraction

*Amy Servas, University of Delaware*

**12:00 Lunch and Project Display, Atrium**

**Social Science, Graduate Division, Room 125**

Moderator: Claire Rasmussen, Political Science and Women’s Studies, University of Delaware

12:40 Adolescent Inhalant Use: A Gendered Perspective

*Paul Ashton, University of Delaware*

1:00 United States Policy on the Practice of Female Genital Mutilation

*Russell Zehtab-Noghiu, University of Delaware*

**Humanities, Graduate Division, Room 126**

Moderator: Anne Boylan, History and Women’s Studies, University of Delaware

12:40 What About the Women?: Classes on Women in Today’s High Schools

*Rebekah Buchanan, Temple University*

1:00 “Home Influences” and “Home Joys”: American Women in World War I and the Re-creation of America Overseas

*Jennifer Vess, University of Delaware*

1:20 “A Mediating Force”: The Sympathetic White Male in Harriet Jacobs’ *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*

*Tatum Petrich, Temple University*

1:40 Healing a Woman’s Past, Ministering to her Present: Contemporary Children’s Biographies and the Construction of Florence Nightingale

*Kathleen A. Miller, University of Delaware*

2:00 *Fairest One of Them All*: The Role of Dolls in Beauty Culture in the Works of Morrison, West, Naylor and Shange

*Michelle Filling, University of Delaware*

## **2:20 Break**

### **Humanities Undergraduate Division, Room 125**

Moderator: Cristina Guardiola, Foreign Languages and Literature, University of Delaware

2:30 Evolution of Women's Sports at the University of Delaware

*Lisa Medina*, University of Delaware

2:50 Clothing as a Means of Expression: Romaine Brooks, Radclyffe Hall and Cross-Dressing

*Katelyn Uehling*, University of Delaware

3:10 Poetry as a Means of Expression

*Antonia DeLuz*, University of Delaware

3:30 Tori Wright, Cindy Sherman and Notions of Spectatorship

*Lauren Bradley*, University of Delaware

3:50 Reconstructions of Adam's Rib in Contemporary Women's Poetry

*Alison Van Buskirk*, University of Delaware

### **Humanities Undergraduate Division, Room 126**

Moderator: Ann Green, English and Gender Studies, Saint Joseph's University

2:30 The Bridge between Heaven and Earth: Ecofeminists and Christian Conservatives

*Alexandra J. Donargo*, University of Delaware

2:50 Scheherazade and the Western Harem

*Kate Kiefer*, Saint Joseph's University

3:10 Women of Genius: Mabel E. Wotton's and George Paston's Approach to the Female Creator

*Rosie M. Seagraves*, University of Delaware

3:30 Arm in Arm

*Julie Gilbert*, Saint Joseph's University

3:50 1001 Nights of Abuse and Survival

*Connie Steel*, Drexel University

### **4:15 Closing Remarks and Announcement of Awards, Room 126**

*Monika Shafi*, Director of Women's Studies and Elias Ahuja Professor of Foreign Languages and Literature, University of Delaware