2015 GENDER & GENDER IDENTITY COLLOQUIUM

Friday, October 23, 2015
9:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Texas Tech University | SUB Red Raider Lounge

Is gender relevant to the 21st Century? How do gender difference and power relations influence us? How do transgender and gender identities intersect with other identities? The Women’s Studies Program announces a public colloquium, Gender & Gender Identity Colloquium, which will take place on the campus of Texas Tech University, Friday, October 23, 2015.

Since its inception in 2009, the colloquium has served as a forum where speakers, discussants, presenters, panelist and the general audience can engage in vigorous exchanges centering on gender and gender identity in terms of empowerment and commitment to social justice.

* We invite submissions for individual papers or full panels highlighting feminist research, in progress or completed, on gender and gender identity. The colloquium is open to all Texas Tech University undergraduates, graduate students, staff and faculty from all disciplines. Additionally, other members of the region, state and national institutions are also invited to present and to attend at their own expense. **Deadline for submitting your abstract is October 9.** See below for more details on the submission process.

We welcome research on:

- Formative influences on gender identity
- LGBTQIA+?
- Unpacking and combating homophobia and transphobia
- The ability of drag to unsettle gender norms
- The manipulation of gendered images
- Intersectionalities of race, gender, and sexuality
- Gender/Gender Identity and media (literatures, the press, and printing of all kinds)
- Gender/Gender Identity and the environment (e.g., ecofeminism, indigenista, urban planning, architecture)
- Gender/Gender Identity and political activism (e.g., government, war/peace)
- Gender/Gender Identity in sports
- Gender/Gender Identity embodiment (e.g., ability, genetics, inscribing)
- Cultural constructions of gender
- Psychology of sex roles
- Social constructs of Gender/Gender Identity relations
- Gender/Gender Identity in science and/or cyberspace
- Gender/Gender Identity in art, art criticism, art instruction and learning

There is limited space for papers at the colloquium. All abstracts will be vetted by readers. Selection will be made on the basis of scholarly merit and relevance to the conference theme and sub-themes. For individual papers and full panels, please submit a 250-word abstract including the proposal title, name, affiliation and contact information for all author(s) in addition to the cover page information required.

**Deadline for submissions October 9, 2015**
**Draft of full presentation October 21, 2015**
**Notification to presenters October 14, 2015**

Please send submissions to: patricia.a.earl@ttu.edu

*Note: include the words "2015-Gender Colloquium Submission” in the subject line for easy identification*

For questions contact the Women's Studies office at (806) 742.4335 or email patricia.a.earl@ttu.edu. Refer to the Women's Studies website for updates and the colloquium program.