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WGGP Co-sponsored Events

FRIDAY FORUM + CONVERSATION CAFÉ

NOVEMBER 8
12-1 PM

Free lunch provided!
University YMCA
1001 S. Wright St.
Champaign, IL 61820

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**The Certainty Trap:
Democracy's Existential Threat**

Ilana Redstone
Professor of Sociology
University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

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Friday Forum + Conversation Café

This Friday: November 8th

Speaker: Ilana Redstone

Program Information: Ilana Redstone is an Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the author of the Certainty Trap. The Certainty Trap describes the disdain that emerges when people refuse to entertain the idea that they might be wrong or that their preferred policies could have negative consequences. It has powerful consequences for

how we think and talk about heated issues, as well as for democracy itself. Ilana has a joint Ph.D. in demography and sociology from the University of Pennsylvania.

More about her work is at www.ilanaredstone.com. Free Lunch Provided.

Please join the University YMCA and [Diversity & Social Justice Education](#) for our Fall 2024 Friday Forum + Conversation Café series. We will hear from community leaders tackling our most pressing public concerns through an unwavering pursuit of social justice. We are excited to focus the fall series on Democracy. Follow this [link](#) for more information!

Fridays at 12 PM in Latzer Hall at the University YMCA.

[Click for full Forum Schedule](#)

The U of I Archives is proud to host

WOMEN IN SCIENCE LECTURE SERIES

DR. SUPRIYA PRASANTH
Professor and Head of the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology

Join us on Zoom or at the University Archives as Dr. Prasanth will discuss her research on eukaryotic DNA replication, chromosome structure and maintenance, heterochromatin organization, and cell cycle control.

12-1 PM | THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14

REGISTER AT: <https://go.library.illinois.edu/Nov2024WISLecture>

A circular portrait of Dr. Supriya Prasanth is featured on the right side of the poster. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

Women in Science Lecture Series

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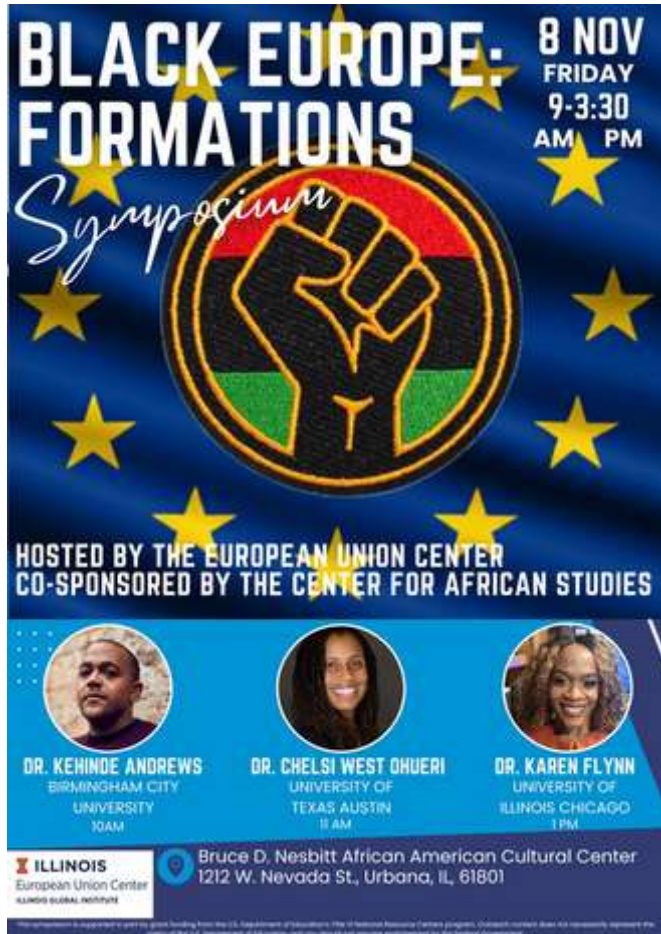
The University of Illinois Archives is hosting a monthly **Women in Science Lecture Series** that will feature speakers from across the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's diverse and multidisciplinary scientific enterprise.

The lecture series seeks to highlight the important innovations and contributions of women in the sciences at the University of Illinois, and center the importance of documenting women scientists and engineers to create a diverse and inclusive archival record.

November 14th from 12 - 1:00PM at the University Archives, [Main Library Room 146](#) or via Zoom

[Click for more info and RSVP](#)

Campus Events



European Union Center for the Black Europe Symposium

The Black Europe Symposium brings together experts in the field for interdisciplinary discussion around the notion of formations of Blackness broadly defined in Europe and the diaspora. Scholars will showcase their cutting-edge research on a wide range of topics, including identity and subjectivity formations in migrant workers, politics of care, the formation of Blackness in the Balkans, and more.

November 8th from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center 1212 W. Nevada St., Urbana, IL, 61801

MillerComm Lecture Series

Ancestral Futures: Creating an Aesthetics of Resistance Through Indigenous Performance

GAM Visiting Artist Monique Mojica (Guna and Rappahannock) and University of Illinois Professor of Anthropology Brenda Farnell's recent book, *Chocolate Woman Dreams the Milky Way: Mapping Indigenous Embodied Performance* (2023) chronicles a story of collaborative embodied exploration, land, and archival research mobilized to serve an Indigenous dramaturgy. What emerges is an intersection of Indigenous literacies grounded in body, land, story, and language. Blurring the lines



between artist and scholar they ask, How do we create an Indigenous theater that moves beyond the “victim narrative” while embracing an aesthetics of resistance?

November 14th at the Knight Auditorium, Spurlock Museum | 600 South Gregory, Urbana IL

[Click for more info](#)



Kuumba: Creatively Crafting Sustainable Futures

About the Speaker: Cheryl Johnson serves as Executive Director of [People for Community Recovery](#). She is the daughter of the late Mrs. Hazel Johnson, who founded PCR. Cheryl learned the fundamentals of community organizing from her mother and carries on the work of PCR's mission to enhance the quality of life of residents living in communities affected by pollution.

About Food for the Soul: Food for the Soul, part of the Lunch on Us series, is a weekly noontime discussion focused on topics relevant

to the many communities globally within the African Diaspora and our allies.

Food for the Soul is hosted by the Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center. This year's Fall 2024 Food For The Soul theme is Kuumba (creativity), which pays homage to the center's first director, the beloved [Val Gray Ward](#) whose dedication and excellence laid the foundation for our work today!

November 13th, 12:00 pm at the Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center

[Click for full Food for the Soul program](#)

Announcements

Family Law Research Study

The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign is inviting family law attorneys to join a study evaluating a training program that prepares attorneys to handle domestic violence in child custody cases. This program offers free Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits and some monetary compensation for participants. The study, funded by the National Institute of Justice, aims to enhance legal support for domestic violence cases within family law.

Attorneys are encouraged to share this opportunity with colleagues who may benefit from this training. For any questions or further information, contact the ASAP Project Research Team.

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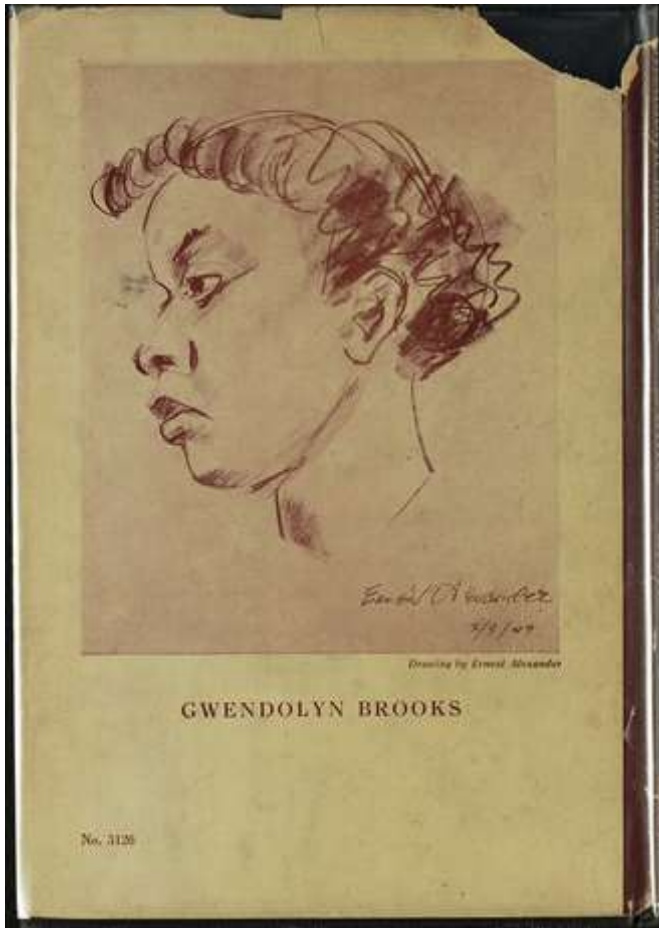
ASAP Project Website: <https://publish.illinois.edu/makeitlab/>

This study is approved by the UIUC Institutional Review Board (Protocol #22599).

“We are each other’s harvest”

Gwendolyn Brooks and the Formation of Black Literary Canon

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the publication of Gwendolyn Brooks’s *Annie Allen*, the poetry collection that won the first Pulitzer Prize by a Black author. Our new exhibit celebrates Brooks’s achievements in the history of Black American letters by tying together notable first editions of Black writing from the 18th and 19th centuries to the anthologies of the 20th and 21st, illustrating the emergence of rich and creative Black literature into the mainstream. Material highlights include Phillis Wheatley’s *Poems on Various Subjects, Religious and Moral* (1773), Alain Locke’s *The New Negro: An Interpretation* (1925), and Brooks’s own manuscripts.



The exhibit, *"We are each other's harvest" : Gwendolyn Brooks and the Formation of Black Literary Canon*, will be on display in the RBML through May 2025.

Click [here](#) to view a digital copy of the exhibit brochure, authored by Dr. Cait Coker and designed by Chloe

Ottenhoff: <https://hdl.handle.net/2142/124834>

See the recording of remarks by Nora Brooks Blakely during our opening reception on September 26, 2024, at this

link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SmzWqYhjnnk&t=2s>

Sep 26, 2024 - May 23, 2025 All Day at the The Rare Book & Manuscript Library: Main Library Room 346

HRI Faculty & Graduate Student Fellowship 2025-2026

APPLICATION PORTAL OPEN

HRI campus fellowships enable faculty and graduate students to develop research projects related to the yearly theme and to participate in the yearlong interdisciplinary Fellows Seminar and related programming. Faculty fellows receive a two-course release and \$3K in research funds. Graduate fellows receive a stipend and a tuition and partial fee waiver.

HRI welcomes applications from all disciplines and departments with an interest in humanities and humanities-inflected research. The institute is especially interested in fostering interdisciplinary work, both within the humanistic disciplines, and between the humanities and the arts.

Deadline: 5:00 p.m. Central on Friday, December 6th

Link for more information: <https://hri.illinois.edu/campus-fellowships/graduate-fellowship-awards-application-guidelines>

Truman Scholarship

Eligibility

This award provides a year of funding for students pursuing graduate degrees in public service fields. College juniors who are U.S. citizens with a record of community service and a commitment to a career in public service are eligible. Public service includes government, uniformed services, public interest organizations, non-governmental research or educational organizations, public and private schools, and other public service-oriented, non-profit organizations.

Campus Deadline

[November 4, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. \(noon\)](#)

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WGGP Programs

WGGP Gender Relations in International Development Graduate Minors

WGGP offers a graduate minor in Gender Relations in International Development (GRID). The GRID interdisciplinary minor is designed to give students the analytical and empirical skills needed to address and critically evaluate human development issues in research and policy analysis, as well as in daily life. As of 2023, GRID Alumni have come from 41 departments across campus and 52 different countries.

To learn more about the GRID minor, please contact Anita Kaiser at arkaiser@illinois.edu or by phone at 333-6221.



Certificate in Global Health

Undergraduate Certificate in Global Health

Joint with WGGP and LAS Global Studies

LAS Global Studies, in conjunction with Women and Gender in Global Perspectives (WGGP), is offering a Certificate in Global Health. **This certificate is open to all undergraduate majors at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.**

[Click for more information on Undergraduate Certificate](#)



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