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WGGP Events

Community Engagement, Rural Edition: Navigating Local Power and Conquering the Fear Factor

About Speaker: Annie Contractor is the Policy Director at RuralProgress and RuralOrganizing.org. Annie is bridging the gap between community organizing and community development by resourcing rural civic leaders with legislation and advocacy tools. Wins include the writing and introduction of the Rural Prosperity Act, passage of the Postal Reform Act, and passage and rural reach of the Recompete Pilot Program.

October 2nd 2024, 12PM | 306 Coble Hall and via Zoom

Lunch provided for in-person attendees with RSVP

[Click for more info and RSVP](#)

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WGGP Alumni Lecture: Annie Contractor
Community Engagement, Rural Edition:
Navigating Local Power and Conquering the First Factor



October 2 | 12pm
306 Coble Hall
and via Zoom
Lunch provided for
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Lecture Description
This lecture explores the unique challenges and opportunities faced by rural communities in fostering effective community engagement. The discussion dissects the dynamics of entrenched local power structures, the role of trust in overcoming hesitation, and strategies for empowering residents to claim their power in decision-making processes. This talk aims to provide practical insights for academics, policymakers, and community leaders working to enhance civic involvement in rural settings.

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**Egalitarian Workplaces:
Organizational Patterns of Gender Wage Inequality in High Income Countries**



**Affiliate Lecture Speaker
Eunmi Mun**

October 10th 12pm
306 Coble Hall and virtual via Zoom
Registration fee: \$100 (free for WGGP members)

Lecture Description
Scholars of gender wage inequality have long shown that organizations play a significant role in shaping the gender pay gap. But we know little about what kinds of workplaces (local, national, and transnational) and how many workplaces are gender egalitarian in the first place. Using data from my international collaborative research that compares the distribution of gender inequality workplace actions in high-income countries and promotes gender equality and the workplace change in pay, women and men wage equality. Based on this research, I will discuss possible paths toward egalitarian workplaces.

Egalitarian Workplaces: Organizational Patterns of Gender Wage Inequality in High Income Countries

About Speaker: Eunmi Mun pursues research in the areas of gender, work, and organizations. She is particularly interested in understanding how companies respond to social demands for gender equality and which corporate practices help address gender equality.

October 11th 2024, 12PM | 306 Coble Hall and virtual via Zoom

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WGGP Co-sponsored Events

Part I Women Environmental Defenders and Climate Change in the Amazon Series: La Paz es "Ser Campesina": Women and Environmental Peacebuilding in Rural Colombia after FARC Demobilization



About Speaker: Part I Presents: Dr. Luz Rodríguez, Assistant Professor of Rural and Regional Development at Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Colombia. Trained as an environmental economist, Dr. Rodríguez' current research focuses on the role of gender in environmental peacebuilding in post-conflict rural Colombia.

She earned a Ph.D. in Environmental Policy from Duke University and a master's in Environmental Economics and Natural Resources from Universidad de Los Andes. She has extensive experience conducting research on collective action around natural resources in Colombia and Mexico.

Co-Sponsors: CLACS, NRES, WGGP, and ACES

October 1st 2024, 3PM | Coble Hall, Room 306



Friday Forum + Conversation Café

This Friday October 4th

Speaker: Clerk Aaron Ammons

Program Information: Champaign County - Elections and Voting: 2024 and Beyond

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](#)

Women in Science Lecture Series



About Speaker: Dr. Jennifer T. Bernhard is department head and Donald Biggar Willett Professor in Electrical and Computer Engineering. Dr. Bernhard will discuss her research on applications-oriented electromagnetic problems with an emphasis on theoretical analysis and experimental investigation.

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.

October 9, 2024 12 - 1:00PM | University Archives, [Main Library Room 146](#)

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Campus Events

Career Coaching at Women's Resources Center

The Career Center is holding regular "office hours" at the WRC to provide you with fast, convenient access to one-on-one drop-in career coaching sessions and document reviews (resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profiles). Bring your questions and/or printed copies of your documents, and we'll see you there! Stop by the WRC on 2nd & 4th Wednesday afternoons for one-on-one drop-in career coaching sessions and document reviews (resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profiles)

For additional questions, please reach out to Dr. Pankaj Desai, Senior Assistant Director for Inclusion Initiatives at pankaj1@illinois.edu.

Oct 9, 2024 2:30 - 4:30 pm | Women's Resources Center - 616 E Green St, Suite #213, Champaign IL 61820



War. Poetry. Translation

A Reading and Discussion by the Ukrainian-American Poet, Translator, and Activist Olga Livshin

Olga Livshin's work is recently published in the *New York Times*, *Ploughshares*, *The Rumpus*, and other journals, and is forthcoming from *POETRY* magazine. She is the author of the poetry collection *A Life Replaced: Poems with Translations from Anna Akhmatova and Vladimir Gandelman* (2019). Livshin co-translated *Today is a Different War* by the Ukrainian poet Lyudmyla Khersonska (Arrowsmith Press, 2023) and *A Man Only Needs a Room* by Vladimir Gandelman (New Meridian Arts, 2022).

In the early days of the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, Livshin co-organized "Voices for Ukraine: A Words Together Words Apart Reading," a massive online reading of Ukrainian poets and their translators attended by over 800 people. As a consulting poetry editor for *Mukoli: A Journal for Peace*, she reviews poetry from conflict-affected communities across the world.

This event is cosponsored by the Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center and The Program in Jewish Culture & Society.

Sep 30, 2024 5:00 pm | 223 Gregory Hall (810 S Wright St, Urbana, IL 61801)

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 6, 2024

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

Announcements

Truman Scholarship + Information Sessions

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.

Information Sessions

Wednesday, September 25 from 1:00-2:00. Truman Foundation Open House [online session](#)

Thursday, Sept. 26, 2024 from 3:30-4:30 pm. Campus Truman Information Session held in 514 IUB

Friday, Sept. 27, 2024 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. CST. Campus Truman [Online Session](#). Register in advance [here](#).

Friday, Sept. 27, 2024 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Campus Workshop on how to craft a Truman Application held in 514 IUB

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.



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.**

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