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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES

# Weekly E-news

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## Upcoming WGGP Events This Week



### WGGP Alumni Lecture: Dr. Raiza Kolia

Date and Time: April 3rd, 2024 | 12:00pm

Location: 306 Coble Hall and **VIA ZOOM**

Lunch provided for registered attendees

[Click to register for lunch talk](#)

Co-founder & CEO of Reaching Across Borders

**Wednesday, April 3rd at 12pm**  
306 Cable Hall/Hybrid via Zoom  
Register via <https://go.illinois.edu/GRIAlumniecture>



Dr. Kolia will share information about Reaching Across Borders services to Syrian Refugees in the Bekaa Valley, Lebanon. Given her years of living in the Bekaa Valley, she has had a front row seat to witness their strength, resilience, and their role transformation within their family structures and within society. She will specifically discuss how war transforms a society, particularly the adverse effects on women and girls, and she will dispel bias and myths about Syrian refugee girls and women.

Cosponsored by: School of Social Work



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Film Screening & Discussion with writer Rasha Azab

**{TRAPPED}**



Against the backdrop of the 2011 Egyptian Revolution, several stories of confined women attempting to escape become intertwined.

**Wednesday, April 3 at 4:00pm**  
**Illini Union, Room A**

This event is part of the April 4-5 Conference on Transnational Feminist Resistance(s) Against Contemporary Violence(s)

Registration appreciated at  
<https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifferences2024>

co-sponsors: College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, School of Social Work, Humanities Research Institute, Illinois Global Institute, Illinois International Programs, Center for African Studies, Center for Global Studies, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, and Women's Resources Center. This event was supported in part by grant funding from the U.S. Department of Education's Title VI grant program. The content of this event does not necessarily represent the policy of the U.S. Department of Education, and you should not assume endorsement by the Federal Government.

## 2021 Egyptian Film Screening and Discussion with Writer *Rasha Azab*

### "Trapped"

Illini Room A, Illini Union

Apr 3rd, 2024 | 4:00 pm

Film Screening & Discussion with Egyptian Filmmaker Rasha Azab, "Trapped" will take place on April 3 at 4 pm, Illini Union Room A, Illini Union. This is part of the "Transnational Feminist Resistance(s) Against Contemporary Violence(s)" conference taking place April 4-5, 2024.

[Click to register](https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifferences2024)

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**Transnational Feminist Resistance(s)  
Against Contemporary Violence(s)**

**COMMON DIFFERENCES II**

## Transnational Feminist Conference

**Apr 4-5, 2024 | Illini Union, Room A**

Conference on "Transnational Feminist Resistance(s) Against Contemporary Violence(s)" hosted by the Women and



<https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifferences2024>

Click to register

VIOLENCE(S) HOSTED BY THE WOMEN AND Gender and Global Perspectives Program with the Gender & Women's Studies Department Conference organized by graduate students from WGGP and GWS: Amaury J. Rijo Sanchez (Sociology), Nehal Elmeligy (Sociology), Marina Moscoso Arabía (Geography), and Mahbubeh Moqadam (Sociology).

For complete list of speakers and schedule, please visit

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**Dr. Amina Mama**  
 Professor, Gender, Sexuality & Women's Studies  
 University of California, Davis

**Transnational Feminist Praxis in an Age of Genocide**  
 Thursday, April 4th  
 6:00pm  
 Illini Room A, Illini Union

How are women's movements in formerly colonized nations responding? What does feminist transnational analysis make visible? What forms of solidarity and activism are emerging in the face of massive and unrelenting state violence against a trapped population of civilian women, children, and men? What legacies of struggle can usefully inform such action? This lecture argues that the many violences perpetrated against women have been the major driver of feminist organizing in the South, and that this continues to be the case in relation to the transnational outrage over the carnage of the Israeli military campaign. Old and new anti-colonial feminist solidarities are being mobilized at multiple levels to join the global resistance demanding an end to the US-backed genocide.

This keynote lecture is part of the **Transnational Feminist Resistance(s) Against Contemporary Violence(s)** conference April 4-5th, 2024

Registration appreciated at <https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifferences2024>

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## Keynote Lecture

**Dr. Amina Mama, University of California, Davis**

### Transnational Feminist Praxis in an Age of Genocide

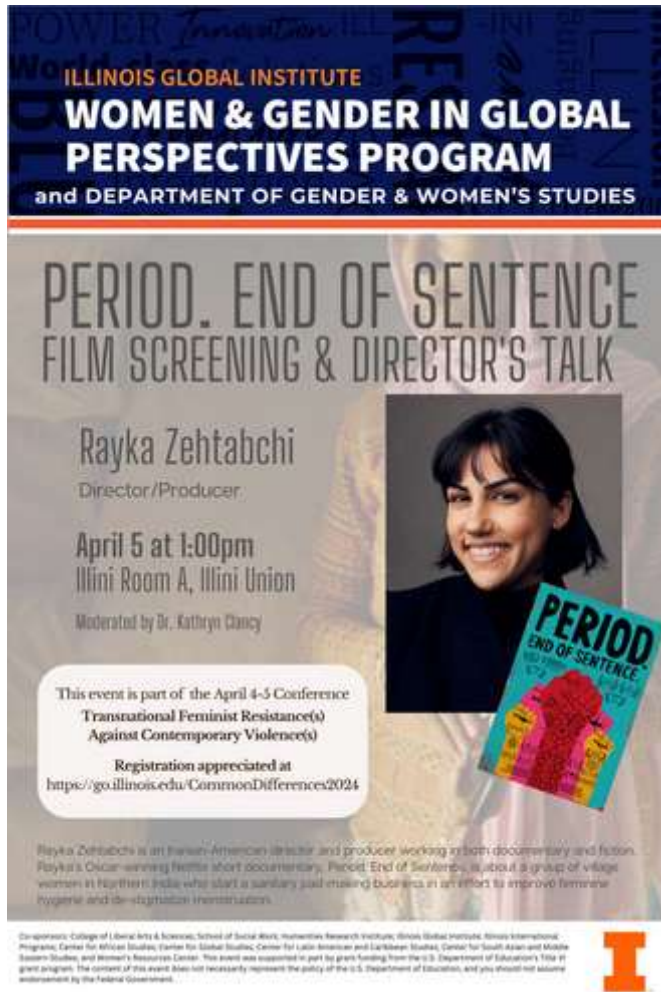
Illini Room A, Illini Union

Apr 4th, 2024 | 6:00 pm

This is part of the "Transnational Feminist Resistance(s) Against Contemporary Violence(s)" conference taking place April 4-5, 2024.

Click for more information and registration





## Film Screening of “Period. End of Sentence” with Director Rayka Zehtabchi

Moderated: Dr. Kate Clancy, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

**Apr 5th, 2024 | 1:00 pm**

Illini Room A, Illini Union

This is part of the "Transnational Feminist Resistance(s) Against Contemporary Violence(s)" conference taking place April 4-5, 2024.

Click for more information and registration

## Upcoming WGPP Events



## “Are Reparations Due for Colonialism in Africa”

**Dr. Jeremy Julian Sarkin,**

Distinguished Research Professor of Law at NOVA University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal

**April 10, 2024 | 12:00pm**

**306 Coble Hall**

Lunch provided for registered attendees

Co-sponsors: Center for African Studies; Program in Family Law and Policy; and the



Program in Family Law and Policy, and the Program in Constitutional Theory, History, and Law

[Click to register for lunch talk](#)

[Click here for a complete list of Spring 2024 events](#)

## Upcoming WGGP Co-sponsored Events

Department of Latina/ Latino Studies  
Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies

**On 50 Years of the Chilean Dictatorship: Immigration, Cultural Production, and Latina Feminisms**

Join us for a presentation and discussion with Nieves Ayress and Maria Teresa Pizarro, two women who were forced to leave Chile during the Pinochet regime (1973-90) and have since used their experiences with state violence and displacement as the basis for their art and political organizing.

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Also cosponsored by:

- Humanities Research Institute
- Department of History
- Women & Gender in Global Perspectives Program

**Thursday, April 4th 5:00-6:30 p.m.**  
LLS Conference Room

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### On 50 Years of the Chilean Dictatorship: Immigration, Cultural Production, and Latina Feminisms

**Apr 4, 2024 5:00 - 6:30 pm**

Room 133, LLS Building (1207 W. Oregon St.)

Speakers: Nieves Ayress and María Teresa Pizarro

Hosted by: Department of Latina/Latino Studies and Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

Co-sponsored by Women & Gender in Global Perspectives



### Spring 2024 YMCA Friday Forum Lecture Series | 'In Whose Honor?' 30 Years Battling Native Sports Mascots and Chief

**YEARS BATTLING NATIVE SPORTS MASCOTS AND CHIEF ILLINIWEK**  
 Jay Rosenstein, Media and Cinema Studies

April 5, 2024  
 12-1PM | UNIVERSITY YMCA  
 1001 S. WRIGHT ST., CHAMPAIGN  
 FREE LUNCH PROVIDED



Jay Rosenstein is a Peabody and two-time Emmy award-winning independent documentary producer, director, writer, and editor whose work has been seen nationally on the PBS series' P.O.V., and Independent Lens, the ABC World News, ESPN, the Nickelodeon Channel, the Independent Film Channel, and film festivals worldwide including the Sundance Film Festival.

His best-known documentary, the groundbreaking *IN WHOSE HONOR? AMERICAN INDIAN MASCOTS IN SPORTS*, aired nationally on the PBS series Point of View, was nominated for a Peabody Award, and was recognized by the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism as one of the most outstanding programs on race in American television in 1997-98. *IN WHOSE HONOR?* is also being used as an educational resource in more than 500 colleges and universities nationwide and in Canada.

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**Illiniwek- Jay Rosenstein, Media and Cinema Studies**

**Friday, April 5 @ 12:00pm CST | University YMCA**

[Click to view upcoming Friday Forum lectures.](#)

## 2023-2024 IGI Series on Global Responsibilities "China and the World"

The IGI Series on Global Responsibilities brings multidisciplinary and global perspectives to major contemporary questions. This year's spotlight on China highlights its international presence and influence today. Beyond geopolitics and security topics, series speakers will examine various global issues and questions relating to climate, trade, technology, economic development, public health, human rights, and higher education.



The next event in the series is hosted by the Center for South Asian & Middle Eastern Studies

**"China and the Middle East through the Lens of the Halal Diplomacy"**

**April 9, 2024 | 12:00 pm**

Zaynab El Bernoussi

Visiting Assistant Professor of Social Research and Public Policy,  
 NYU Abu Dhabi

The series is co-sponsored by: Center for Africa Studies; Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies; Center for Global Studies; Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies; European Union Center; The Lemann Center for Brazilian Studies; Program in Arms Control and Domestic and International Security; the Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, and the Women & Gender in Global Perspectives Program.



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## Upcoming Campus Events



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**Intensive Language Instruction Program**

**MAY 13-24**

Open to **EVERYONE**

**30 HOURS** of instruction

Classes meet **MONDAY-FRIDAY**

Learn conversational skills, travel preparation, and language survival skills

Minimal homework, no attendance policy, and no academic credit

Kickstart your language learning through this immersive classroom experience. You can learn a new language at the basic level or refresh your knowledge by signing up for intermediate or advanced courses. Classes combine language and culture through engaging activities and are designed to maximize exposure to help you meet your learning goals. (formerly IFLIP)

Take courses in a wide variety of languages, including:

- Arabic
- French
- German
- Modern Greek
- Korean
- Latin
- Spanish
- Ukrainian

Scan for more information on ILIP classes, languages offered, and to register online.

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Take courses in a wide variety of languages, including:

*Arabic, French, German, Modern Greek, Korean, Latin, Spanish, Ukrainian*

Learn conversational skills, travel preparation, and language survival skills. There is minimal homework, no attendance policy, and no academic credit.

**Offered: MAY 13-24 | MONDAY-FRIDAY**

## 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 2021, 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](mailto:arkaiser@illinois.edu) or by phone at 333-6221.

[Click for more info on GRID minor](#)



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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