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Upcoming WGGP Events



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, Global Studies Institute, Women's International Program, 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>

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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

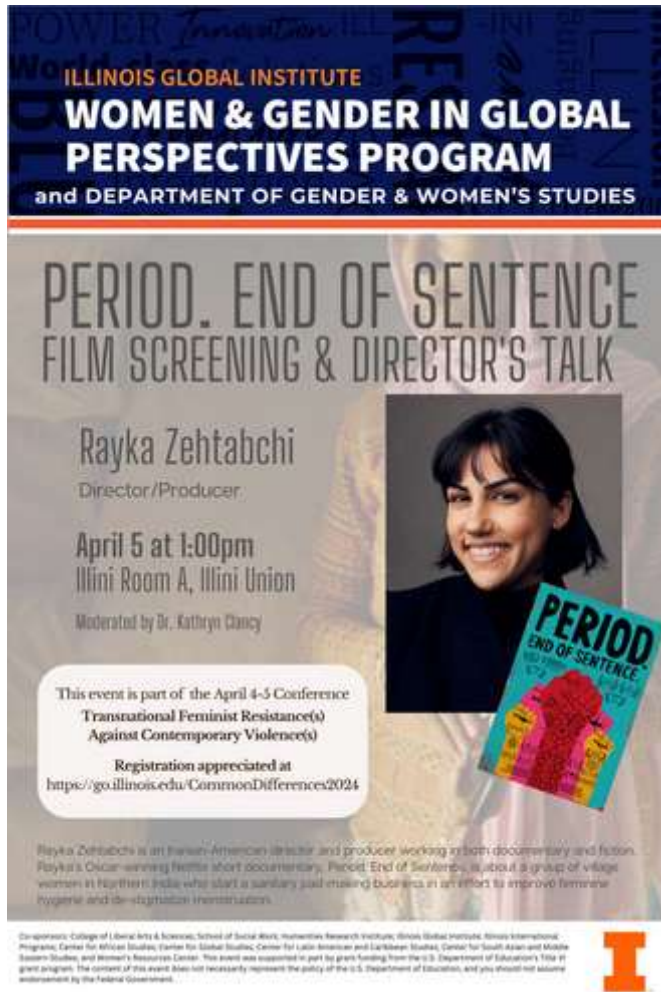
Transnational Feminist Praxis in an Age of Genocide

Illini Room A, Illini Union

Apr 4th, 2024 | 6:00 pm

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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.

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“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 Constitutional Theory, History, and Law

Namibia for their reparations claims against Germany from 2000 to 2014.

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SPRING 2024 EVENTS

Feb. 8 | 12pm
Women in Science Lecture Series
Dr. May Berenbaum, Entomology
Main Library Room 146 and hybrid
<https://go.library.illinois.edu/WomenInScienceFeb2024>

Feb. 15 | Time 6:30-8:00pm
Film Discussion, "The Wildflower"
Virtual via Zoom
RSVP at
<https://go.illinois.edu/TheWildflower>

Feb. 16 | 12pm
WGCP Faculty Affiliate Lunch Talk
Dr. Antoinette Burton, Professor of History and Swanlund Endowed Chair
"Victorian Geographies of Un/Belonging: Cornelia Sorabji at Oxford."
306 Coble Hall
Lunch provided with RSVP
<https://go.illinois.edu/AffiliateTalk>

Feb. 29 | 4pm
Book Discussion, "On Fire" by Naomi Klein
Virtual via Zoom
Register at <https://go.illinois.edu/OnFire>

Mar. 4 | 4pm
"Tarpuna El Maiz" Film Screening and Discussion with Dr. Pilar Eguez Cuevara
Knight Auditorium, Spurlock Museum
600 S. Gregory, Urbana

Mar. 5 | 3:30-5:00pm |
International Women's Day Celebration
"12 Women Who Changed the World: Untold Stories"
3rd Floor, Levis Faculty Center
919 W. Illinois, Urbana

Mar. 6 | 4:00-6:00pm
Katha Workshop
3rd Floor, Levis Faculty Center
919 W. Illinois, Urbana
co-hosted by CSAMES

Mar. 7 | 12pm
Women in Science Lecture Series
Dr. Karrie Karahalios, Computer Science
Main Library Room 146 and hybrid
<https://go.library.illinois.edu/WomenInScienceMar2024>

Apr. 3 | 12pm
WGCP Alumni Lecture: Dr. Raiza Kolia
306 Coble Hall and via Zoom
Lunch provided with RSVP
<https://go.illinois.edu/GRIDAumLecture>

Apr. 3 | 4:00-6:00pm
"Trapped" 2021 Egyptian Film Screening and Discussion with writer Rasha Azab
Illini Room A, Illini Union
See website for full program schedule
<https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifference2024>

Apr. 4 | All Day
Transnational Feminist Conference
Illini Room A, Illini Union
See website for full program schedule
<https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifference2024>

Apr. 5 | All Day
Transnational Feminist Conference
Illini Room A, Illini Union
See website for full program schedule
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Apr. 10 | 12pm
Jeremy Sarkin, Research Professor of Law, NOVA University
"Are reparations due for colonialism in Africa"
306 Coble Hall
Lunch provided with RSVP
<https://go.illinois.edu/Sarkin>

Apr. 11 | 12pm
Women in Science Lecture Series
Dr. Marni Boppert
Main Library Room 146 and hybrid
<https://go.library.illinois.edu/WomenInScienceApril2024>

Apr. 26 | 4-5pm (Remarks at 4:20)
Spring Reception and Student Recognitions
Latzer Hall, University YMCA, 1001 S. Wright



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For information on WGCP hosted or co-sponsored events, please visit
<https://go.illinois.edu/WGCP> Events or click on QR code




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

Upcoming WGGP Co-sponsored Events



EU Day of Art: Artemis Danza Presents:

Corpi Violati

Mon, March 18, 2024 at **7:00pm**



Lincoln Hall Theater | 702 S. Wright

Compagnia Artemis Danza directed by Monica Casadei presents the contemporary theater and dance show *Corpi Violati*, a creation that brings to the stage the *violated rights, abuse, violence and alienation* which the most fragile categories often encounter, including those who do not identify in the canonical gender divisions.

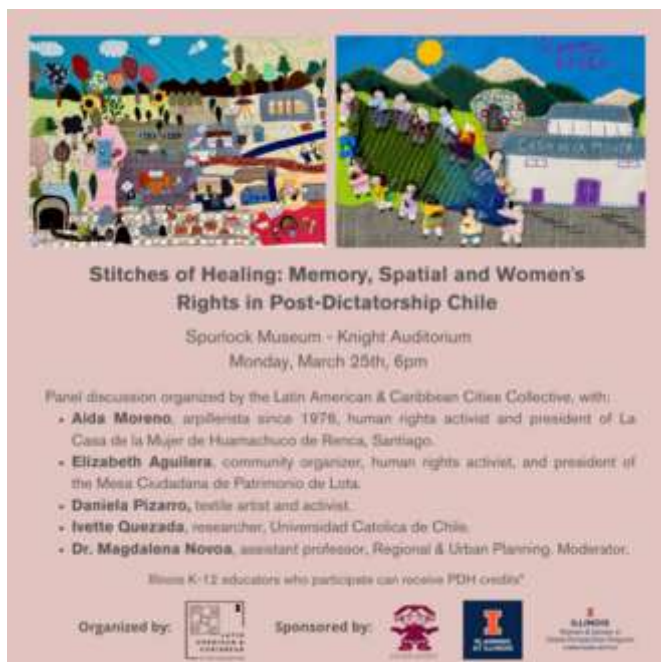
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Spring 2024 YMCA Friday Forum Lecture Series

Friday, March 22nd @ 12:00pm CST |
University YMCA

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



Stitches of Healing: Memory, Spatial and Women's Rights in Post-Dictatorship Chile

Sporlock Museum - Knight Auditorium

Monday, March 25th, 6pm

Panel discussion organized by the Latin American & Caribbean Cities Collective, with:

- Aida Moreno, arpillerista since 1976, human rights activist and president of La Casa de la Mujer de Huamachuco de Renca, Santiago.
- Elizabeth Aguilera, community organizer, human rights activist, and president of the Mesa Ciudadana de Patrimonio de Lota.
- Daniela Pizarro, textile Artist and activist.
- Ivette Quezada, researcher, Universidad Catolica de Chile.
- Dr. Magdalena Nova, assistant professor, Regional & Urban Planning. Moderator.

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 Liliana Wilson and María Teresa Pizarro, two women who left 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.



Liliana Wilson is a Texas-based visual artist whose work has appeared in the seminal women of color anthology, *This Bridge Called My Back: Writings by Radical Women of Color*. A book on her work entitled *Ofrenda*, edited by Norma Cantú, was also published by Texas A&M Press in 2015.

María Teresa Pizarro is a Chicago-based Chilean feminist activist. In the 1980s, María Teresa and other Chilean women formed a branch of MEMCh, an organization that was central to the anti-Pinochet feminist movement in Chile, and worked to challenge the regime from abroad.

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: Liliana Wilson 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

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

The IGI Series on Global Responsibilities brings multidisciplinary and global perspectives

THE 101 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 Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center

"Prestige, Manipulation, and Coercion: Elite Power Struggles in the Soviet Union and China after Stalin and Mao"

March 26, 2024 | 12:00 pm

This event will be held virtually over Zoom. To register, please visit <https://go.illinois.edu/Torigian. sp>

Joseph Torigian

Research Fellow at Stanford's Hoover History Lab and an Assistant Professor at American University's School of International Service

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.

[Click to see the full series of events](#)

Upcoming Campus Events



The Department of Gender and Women's Studies present

2024 Smalley Fellowship Talk

Bri Lafond

"Content Creators' Queer Resistance to Algorithmic Surveillance"



Wednesday, March 20th at 2pm
In-person at GWS Conference Room or Via Zoom



Hinojosa-Smith Lecture Series: Emma Pérez

A reading and Q&A with the author of *Testimony of a Shifter*

Wednesday March 27th 2024 | Levis 300 | 5:00-6:30pm

Dr. Benito Espinoza may look like a normal man visiting the Grand Library, but he is not what he appears to be. Ben is a shifter, an individual able to switch back and forth between male, female, and nonbinary bodies, but under the totalitarian Impresario and his White Guards, shifting is a criminal offense. Although he is unwilling, Ben becomes embroiled in a shifter-led

rebellion that puts not only his life at risk but endangers the precarious balance barely holding their society together. A fixture of queer, Chicana feminist studies, historian and professor Pérez offers a scathing look at where society could be headed in the midst of woke wars with the criminalization of trans- and gender-nonconforming bodies and the desire to suppress the Other. For fans of Ursula K. Le Guin and Margaret Atwood, *Testimony of a Shifter* is the queer, feminist dystopian novel readers have been searching for.



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DaRin Butz Foundation Research Scholarship | DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2024

- **Award:** \$5000 research scholarship for summer on campus or for fall and spring semesters
- **Focus:** Encouraging women to pursue careers in science and engineering
- **Eligibility:** Open to U.S. citizens or permanent residents who are female undergraduate students in the Grainger College of Engineering
- **Application Deadline:** March 31, 2024
- **More info:** <https://isur.engineering.illinois.edu/darin-butz-foundation-research-scholars/>

With the generosity of the DaRin Butz Foundation, the Grainger College of Engineering Illinois Scholars Undergraduate Research (ISUR) Program offers women undergraduate students funding to do research in the summer or fall and spring semesters. The foundation's support of the ISUR program is aimed to encourage women to pursue careers in science and engineering.

[Click here to apply](#)

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 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.**

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