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Upcoming WGGP Events

Please join us for a discussion of Naomi Klein's book, "On Fire: The (Burning) Case for a Green New Deal". The book discussion will be led by GRID Students Cintia Martina Freitas, Marina Moscoso, and Marwah Malik.

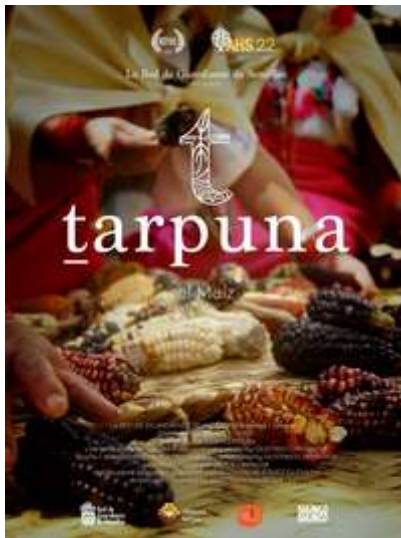
**Thursday, February 29th at 4pm CST
via Zoom**

Need a copy of the book? We have complimentary copies available so please request during registration so you can pick one up while supplies last.



Know others that might be interested? This is open to all campus students so please share information.

[Click to register for book discussion](#)



Co-hosted by the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS)

Tarpuna: El Maíz

Film Screening and Conversation with Dr. Pilar Egüez Guevara and Teresa de Jesús Quizhpe Guamán

March 4th, 2024, 4pm CST

Knight Auditorium, Spurlock Museum, 600 S. Gregory Urbana

"Tarpuna: el maíz" (34 mins, 2019) Tarpuna means 'to sow' in Kichwa, the ancestral language of the Andes. In the Corn episode of this documentary series, guardians from the highlands of Ecuador share their skills and traditions to preserve, exchange and reproduce their most sacred seed.

International Women's Day Celebration

"12 Women Who Changed the World: Untold Stories"

**Tuesday | March 5, 2024
3:30pm-5:00pm**

Levis Faculty Center, Third Floor

The Women and Gender in Global Perspectives Program (WGGP) and the Humanities Research Institute (HRI) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign are co-hosting our fifth annual event, "12 Women Who Changed the World: Untold Stories" bringing together faculty, staff, students, and community members to recognize people who have made a difference in academia.

The event will feature 12 featured speakers from across our university and community. Each speaker will have 5 minutes to tell the story of a woman who made important contributions to the scholarship, discipline and/or broader academic community life.

WOMEN & GENDER IN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES
and THE HUMANITIES RESEARCH INSTITUTE
present

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International Women's Day
March 5, 2024
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Levis Faculty Center, Third Floor



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I Co-sponsored by: Women's Resources Center, Department of Gender and Women's Studies

Mark your calendars for International Women's Day 2024!

Bangladesh Institute of Performing Arts and the Bangladeshi Ladies Club presents:

Nakshi Kantha Workshop and Dhamail Dance!

Co-sponsored by Center for South Asian & Middle Eastern Studies

Wednesday | March 6 4:00-6pm

3rd Floor, Levis Faculty Center 919 W. Illinois, Urbana

Experience Bangladesh's rich cultural heritage with our *Nakshi Kantha workshop*! Learn hand-stitching techniques, explore patterns, and create your masterpiece. No experience needed - just bring your enthusiasm! Afterward, join us for the energetic Dhamail Dance, diving into Bangladeshi folk tradition with vibrant rhythms and hues.

[Click to register](#)

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& MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES**

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Bangladeshi Ladies Club presents

**Nakshi Kantha Workshop
and Dhamail Dance!**
A Celebration of Creativity and Rhythm

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4:00-6pm
3rd Floor, Levis Faculty Center
919 W. Illinois, Urbana

Registration Appreciated at <https://forms.illinois.edu/sec/585275246>

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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
WGGP 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
WGGP Alumni Lecture: Dr. Raiza Kolia
306 Coble Hall and via Zoom
Lunch provided with RSVP
<https://go.illinois.edu/GRIDAAlumLecture>

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
<https://go.illinois.edu/CommonDifference2024>

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 WGGP hosted or co-sponsored events, please visit
<https://go.illinois.edu/WGGPEvents> or click on QR code




Click here for a complete list of Spring 2024 events

Upcoming WGGP Co-sponsored Events

FRIDAY FORUM • CONVERSATION CAFE

NADIA BOLZ-WEBER, ILLINOIS
INTERFAITH CONFERENCE
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

In conversation with Rev. Joan Radcliffe,
Minister, Community United Church of Christ

February 23, 2024
1001 S. Wright St., Champaign
FREE LUNCH PROVIDED



Nadia Bolz-Weber is an ordained Lutheran Pastor, founder of Pastor for All Peoples & Saints in Bloomington, IL, the pastor and host of the podcast and the author of three New York Times bestselling memoirs: *Be Here*, *The Holy Spirit*, and *When Did I Stop Being a Girl*. She is a vocal advocate for the LGBTQ+ community and has been a frequent speaker at various conferences and events. She will speak about her latest book, *When Did I Stop Being a Girl*, which explores her journey of faith, identity, and the challenges of being a woman in the church.

Sponsored in part by the Women in Science & Gender Perspectives Program

Spring 2024 YMCA Friday Forum Lecture Series | Nadia Bolz-Weber, Lutheran Pastor, NYT Bestselling Author, Illinois Interfaith Conference Keynote Speaker
Friday, Feb. 23rd @ 12:00pm CST | University YMCA

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

We are excited to announce that **registration is now open for the [Women's and Gender History Symposium](#)**. This year's theme is Gender Taking Place, with keynote speakers [Dr. Jessica](#)



[Zychowicz](#) and [Dr. Rosalyn LaPier](#). Join us on March 1st and March 2nd in person or via zoom. Conference attendees are also invited to an opening reception on the evening of February 29th.

[Click to register](#)



ILLS is a general linguistics conference open to any and all submissions relating to language and linguistics. The conference theme for ILLS16 is "Language, Mind, and Society." Submissions related to this theme are especially encouraged, though submissions are not limited to this theme. We primarily encourage submissions from graduate and undergraduate students. We hold that an interdisciplinary exchange of ideas and a collaborative approach to language from a multitude of avenues is fundamental to the advancement of language research and the subsequent understanding of our world, cultures, and societies.

Our plenary speakers are:

1. Rajka Smiljanic (University of Texas at Austin)
2. Ruth Kramer (Georgetown University)
3. Salvatore Callesano (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

Conference Location: I Hotel & Illinois Conference Center (1900 S 1st St, Champaign, IL 61820)

Conference Date: March 1, 2024 to March 2, 2024 from 8am to 6pm on both days

Contact Information: ills-conference@illinois.edu

[Click for more information on conference website](#)

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 European Union Center

"Cities as Actors in the EU Policy Towards China" **February 22 | 4:00pm | Lucy Ellis Lounge**

Tomasz Kamiński
Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Lodz

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

Women in Engineering Visiting Lecture: *Dr. Suzanne Zurn-Birkhimer*

Lecture open to those interested in diversity, equity, and inclusion in engineering education:
"An Examination of Women in Engineering Retention Programming and Participant Graduation



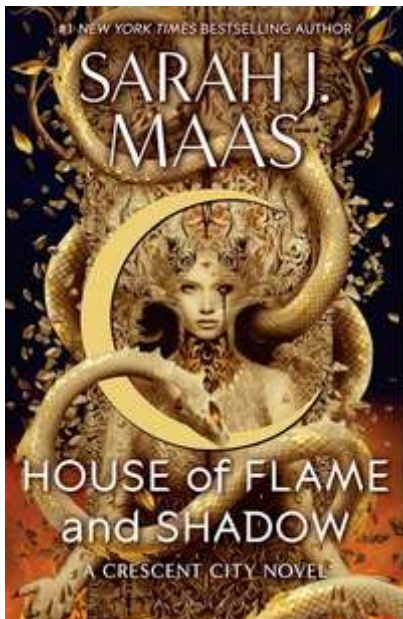
Dr. Suzanne Zurn-Birkhimer-
Associate Director of the Purdue
University Women in the
Engineering Program

Rates." Dr. Zurn-Birkhimer is Assoc. Director of Women in Engineering at Purdue and Director-At-Large for the Women in Engineering Division of ASEE. Her work focuses on broadening the participation of women in STEM.

Date and Time: Feb 23, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Location: CIF, 2036 (1405 W Springfield Ave, Urbana, IL 61801)

[Click to register](#)



House of Flame and Shadow WRC Bookclub

February 23rd at 3:00 pm

616 E. Green St., Suite 202 Champaign, IL 61820

Come to discuss the book *House of Flame and Shadow* (*Crescent City 3*) by Sarah J. Mass! *Books will not be provided for this book club. However, participants will receive book-related merch.*

"Tigre Reale" (1916): Silent Film Concert

Event Type: Performance

Sponsor: European Union Center; Italian Cultural Institute; Department of French & Italian

Location: Lincoln Hall Theater, 702 S Wright St, Urbana, IL 61801

Date: Feb 26, 2024, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Cost: Free and open to the public



The Italian Cultural Institute of Chicago and the European Union Center are pleased to present the film concert of *Tigre Reale* (1916), with a live performance by Italian musicians Stefano Maccagno (piano) and Furio Di Castri (double bass). Pre-registration is appreciated but not required. This event is co-sponsored by the Department of French & Italian.

Tigre Reale, a silent film made by *Giovanni Pastrone* in 1916, is a poem about the power of love and the destructiveness of memory, the cliché of the femme fatale and the obsession with guilt. Over the troubled love story between the Russian countess Natka and the young diplomat Giorgio La Ferlita, weighs the tragic past of the woman. In the sweetened and rarefied world

of a fictional aristocracy, unattainable Dannunzian characters are driven by extreme passions. The film becomes a luxurious stage for the divine Pina Menichelli, who offers here a symbolic interpretation of the excessive and artificial acting that marks and distinguishes some of Italy's silent cinema. Pre-registration is preferred but not required.

[Click to register](#)

Fellowships & Funding

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](#)

Jean M. Due and Marianne Ferber International Research Award

The Jean M. Due and Marianne Ferber International Research Award, established through generous gifts from emeriti professors Marianne Ferber and Jean Due, is a \$1,000 scholarship for individuals from developing countries conducting dissertation research on gender and development issues, especially research that promises to make a significant contribution to the improvement of women's lives and gender equity in the developing world.

Eligibility

- Be from a developing country and demonstrate financial need.
- Conducting dissertation research on gender and development issues.
- The award is intended for current or newly accepted international graduate students at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. All genders are welcome to apply.

Deadline

Applications are due by **March 15**

[Click here for more information and link to apply](#)

Announcements



New Global Studies Professional Society (GSPS) Registered Student Organization. In the spirit of bridging the gaps of our social campus community and professionalism. Our initiative is to bring together students pursuing similar interdisciplinary scholarship and uplift them with personal and professional development.

[Visit them on LinkedIn](#)

[Click to go to membership registration](#)

Writers Workshop Graduate Writing Groups

Create the "write" habit! Our hybrid writing group provides graduate students with dedicated time to make progress on thesis or dissertation writing in a supportive atmosphere. Each meeting consists of a short goal-setting conversation, quiet writing time, and a concluding reflection and wrap-up. Use this time to create or return to a writing routine, make progress and meet deadlines on long-term projects, or jump-start a new writing project. You only need to [register](#) once with your U of I email to receive weekly email reminders all semester!

These will be held during the spring semester on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9am-12pm. The Friday sessions will begin on January 19, 2024 and the Tuesday sessions will begin on January 23, 2024.

[Kim Savage](#) • Writers Workshop

This opportunity is available through hybrid format

We are pleased to announce the 16th Annual Meeting of the ***Illinois Language and Linguistics Society*** (ILLS16) is now open for registration! ILLS is an annual graduate student-run linguistics conference aimed primarily at providing graduate and advanced undergraduate students a friendly venue in which to present and discuss research on any topic related to language and linguistics.

ILLS16 will be held from March 1 to 2, 2024 at I Hotel & Illinois Conference Center (1900 S 1st St, Champaign, IL 61820). We welcome all U of I students who are interested in linguistics. If you would like to attend ILLS16, early registration is now open, and it is free for all U of I system students. Please see our official website (<https://ills.linguistics.illinois.edu>) to register and to see the conference schedule!

The conference theme for ILLS16 is "***Language, Mind, and Society.***" We hold that an interdisciplinary exchange of ideas and a collaborative approach to language from a multitude of avenues is fundamental to the advancement of language research and the subsequent understanding of our world, cultures, and societies. Our plenary speakers include:

Dr. Michael Tanenhaus (University of Rochester)

Dr. Rajka Smiljanic (University of Texas at Austin)

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Contact Information: ills-conference@illinois.edu

We are excited to announce that the ***Women's and Gender History Symposium*** (WGHS) full program is now available. WGHS is convened by graduate students in the UIUC History Department with panels featuring graduate students from across the world.

This year's theme is Gender Taking Place and we will be joined by Dr. Rosalyn LaPier and Dr. Jessica Zychowicz as our keynote speakers. The symposium runs from the evening of February 29th through March 2nd. Both keynotes and all panels will be available in person and over zoom. The symposium is free and open to the public!

[Click to register](#)

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](#)

Undergraduate Certificate in Global Health

Joint with WGGP and LAS Global Studies



Certificate in Global Health

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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