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WGGP Events This Week

TODAY:

Empowering Youth to Embrace Everyday Leadership

Monday, Sept. 12 @12pm

306 Coble Hall, 801 S. Wright Street, Champaign

This lunch talk, "Empowering Youth to Embrace Everyday Leadership," hosted by the Women and Gender in Global Perspectives Program, brings **Bushra Amiwala** as guest speaker.

Bushra Amiwala is a Skokie native and daughter of immigrants who truly appreciates diversity in its many beautiful forms. As communities across our nation- the working poor, religious and

ethnic minorities, and young changemakers who are ignored by political establishments- are pushed aside, Bushra is a committed voice for underrepresented citizens. She seeks to ensure that our nation's future is in good hands by building a compassionate, politically-engaged generation.

Lunch will be provided with RSVP by September 9th.

Co-sponsored by the University YMCA Welcoming Week, Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, U.S. Department of Education Title VI Grant, and Women's Resources Center.



Reproductive Justice

A Collaborative Panel Discussion

Tuesday, Sept. 13 @4pm
300 Levis Faculty Center

“Are you thinking of Roe/Dobbs? Abortion and reproductive rights in the US and the world”

Join us for this important conversation on regression and mobilization for abortion rights. The panelists will offer a global and historical perspective on the struggle by women for abortion rights in the US; feminist mobilization in Latin America where recently they secured legalization of abortion; and local activism and what can be done.

Panelists:

Dr. Leslie Reagan, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dr. Mariela Szwarcberg Daby, Reed College

Emma Darbro, Undergraduate, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign



Co-sponsored by: Humanities Research Institute, Department of History, and the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies thanks to National Resource Center funding from the U.S. Department of Education. The views expressed are the presenter's own and do not reflect Department of Education policy or views.

WGGP Upcoming Events



Independent Community Rooted AI Research

Sept. 27 @2pm

online via **Zoom**

Registration required

Speaker: **Timnit Gebru**

Founder and Executive Director of the
Distributed Artificial Intelligence Research
Institute (DAIR)

Timnit Gebru is the founder and executive director of the Distributed Artificial Intelligence Research Institute (DAIR). She also co-founded [Black in AI](#), a nonprofit that works to increase the presence, inclusion, visibility and health of Black people in the field of AI, and is on the board of [AddisCoder](#), a nonprofit dedicated to teaching algorithms and computer programming to Ethiopian highschool students, free of charge.

Co-sponsored by: African American Studies; School of Information Sciences; Siebel Center for Design; and the Centers for African Studies, Global Studies, and South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies through support from the US Department of Education Title VI grant.

[Click here to read more](#)

Register here

Panel on "Global Feminist Methods: Discussion on decolonization, collaborative research, activism"

Friday, Sept. 30 @12pm

306 Coble Hall

In this workshop, panelists will share their expertise and experience when using feminist methods for global research, exploring dynamics of collaboration, activism, and decolonization when planning and conducting field research. Featuring a moderated discussion with Q and A. **Lunch provided starting at 11:30 with an RSVP by September 28th.**

This discussion is moderated by Anissa Chitwanga, Ph.D. student in the School of Social Work

11:30- 12:00 Lunch available with RSVP by September 28

12.00 – 12.10 PM: Opening from WGGP

Director

12.10 – 12.25 PM: Dr. Melissa Rae Goodnight, College of Education

12.25 – 12.40 PM: Dr. Korinta Maldonado, Department of Anthropology

12.40 – 12.55 PM: Dr. Mimi Nguyen, Department of Gender and Women's Studies

12.55 – 1.25 PM: Moderated Q&A from the audience and question pool

1.25 – 1.30 PM: Closing statements from panelists

Co-sponsored by Gender and Women Studies, Anthropology, and the College of Education.

[Click here to register](#)

Muddying Waters: An Author's Talk

2-day event

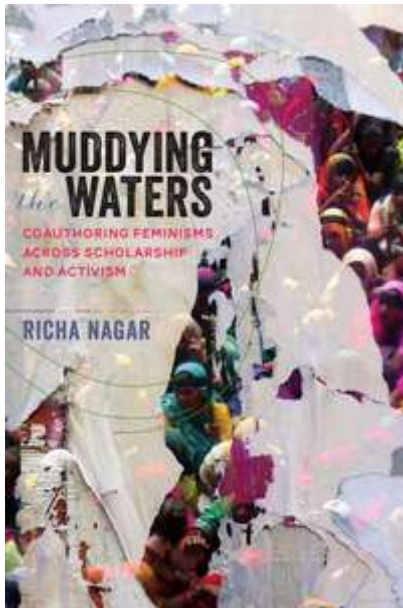
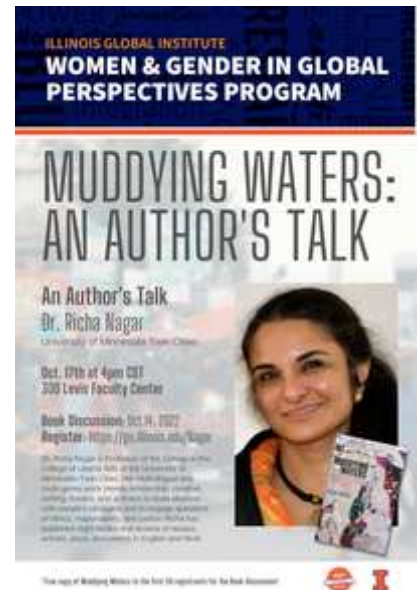
Speaker: **Dr. Richa Nagar**

University of Minnesota Twin Cities



October 17 @4pm
300 Levis Faculty Center

Dr. Richa Nagar will give a public talk on her book, "Muddying the Waters: Coauthoring Feminisms across Scholarship and Activism." Her multi-lingual and multi-genre work blends scholarship, creative writing, theatre, and activism to build alliances with people's struggles and to engage questions of ethics, responsibility, and justice. [See more](#)



Muddying Waters: Book Discussion

Friday, Oct. 14 @4pm

virtual via **Zoom**

Registration required*

In addition to the public talk, WGGP will coordinate a virtual book discussion led by graduate students on Friday, October 14th starting at 4pm.

WGGP will also give away free copies of the book to the first 50 registrants for the book discussion.

[Register here](#)

[Click here for a complete list of Fall 2022 Events](#)

WGGP Co-sponsored Events

YMCA Welcoming Week 2022

September 9- September 18

For six years, Welcoming Week has brought together thousands of community members through hundreds of events to celebrate immigrants who have made Champaign County home.

For more information and a full schedule of events, [click here](#). Bushra Amiwala's talk, featured above, will also be a part of this week-long celebration.



Chicago Immigrant Orchestra

Date: **September 27, 2022 - Two Events**

Afternoon Pop-Up Concert

2pm | Main Library| Room 321

Free and open to all | Listen & talk to the musicians | Refreshments Served



Evening Concert

7:30pm | Colwell Playhouse (Krannert Center)

CIO is a 20-piece ensemble that consists of members of the Chicago immigrant community, representing musical traditions from all over the world. In this fresh approach under the direction of Haque and Zarour, Chicago Immigrant Orchestra musicians from the Far East to Western Europe, Africa and the Americas are thoroughly involved in the evolution of the musical ideas that are presented. One orchestra, a world of music. [See more](#)

This performance is a co-presentation of Krannert Center and the International and Area Studies Library. Tickets for this event are free to University of Illinois students, faculty, and staff.

Get tickets

Upcoming Campus Events

Q&A with Pulitzer Prize-Winning Alum Eli Murray

Tuesday, Sept. 13 @6pm

Monsanto Multimedia Studio, ACES Library, Information and
Alumni Center
or online **via Zoom**

Join us in person or [via Zoom](#) to hear a Q&A about Murray's investigative reporting career and the Illinois and College of Media experiences that helped shape him. The Q&A will be led by Associate Professor Charles "Stretch" Ledford, who was one of Murray's influential journalism professors. [Learn more.](#)



Dean's Distinguished Speaker Series:

Will (D)iversity, (E)quity, and (I)nclusion Die? Advocacy and Action Towards Greater Accountability in an Empowered University

Sep 15, 2022 12:00 - 1:00 pm
Mumford Hall, Room 103



Open to the campuswide community, join us for our first Dean's Distinguished speaker series lecture for the 2022-23 academic year, featuring alumni **Chezare Warren, Ph.D.** [Click here for more info](#)

This lecture will be moderated by Nathan Castillo, assistant professor of EPOL and C&I, and will include discussion time. For those unable to attend in person, the lecture will be livestreamed the day of the event:

<https://education.illinois.edu/live>

Navigating Early Career Funding Opportunities

Thursday, Sept. 15, noon to 2:30 p.m.

NIH experts will provide an overview of early career funding opportunities, discuss how networking and mentoring can strengthen your chances for success, and show you where to find helpful resources along the way. [Learn more and register.](#)

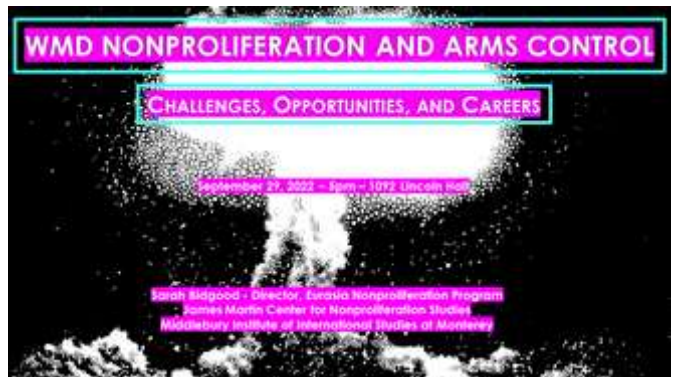
Remember, IHSI's [Research Development](#) team works directly with Illinois investigators to expand health sciences research, providing proposal development support, offering grant seeking workshops and resources, and coordinates campus-wide resources to local and national funding priorities.

WMD Nonproliferation and Arms Control

**Thursday, Sept. 29 @5pm
1092 Lincoln Hall**

Interested in international security and wondering what opportunities might be available for you in this arena? Please join us in 1092 Lincoln Hall on Thursday, September

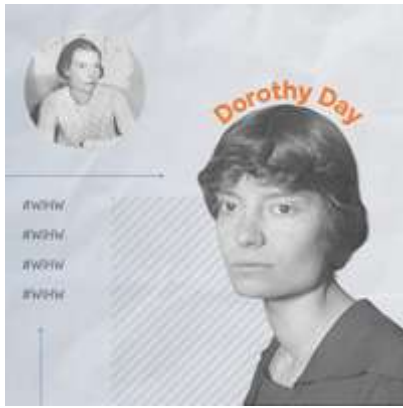
29th at 5pm for a talk by Sarah Bidgood, the Director of the Eurasia Nonproliferation Program at the Middlebury Institute. Dr. Bidgood will discuss the many components of nonproliferation work and the array of career opportunities in the field for a wide range of majors and backgrounds.



Women in History Wednesday

Happy #WomeninHistoryWednesday!

Dorothy Day was a student on campus from 1914 to 1916. While on campus she was a member of the hockey team and Scribbler's Club. After leaving the University, Dorothy founded the Catholic Worker Movement and was a social justice crusader in the 1920s. [See more](#)



This series is displayed every Wednesday on our [website](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).

Women featured in our weekly series are part of the 150 for 150 website Celebrating the Accomplishments of Women at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The website was created by the Gender Equity Council and the University Library to highlight women who have made significant achievements during their time at the University either as students, staff,

faculty, or alumni.

[Click here for 150 for 150 website](#)

Faculty Affiliate News

New faculty affiliate, **Lila Sharif** is assistant professor of Asian American Studies at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She teaches courses on race, empire, militarization, settler colonialism, food and culture. Sharif earned a dual Ph.D. in Sociology and Ethnic Studies from the University of California, San Diego in 2014. [See more](#)



[Click here for Lila Sharifs Faculty Affiliate Profile](#)

To learn more about becoming a WGGP Faculty Affiliate, please contact WGGP Associate Director, Anita Kaiser, at arkaiser@illinois.edu or (217) 333-6221.

September's Alumni Spotlight: Margaret Jodlowski

The Alumni Spotlight showcases previous GRID students and where they are since graduating from UIUC through an interview format.



Margaret Jodlowski

Current position: I am an assistant professor of agricultural economics and policy in the Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics at The Ohio State University. I started this role in August 2020 after finishing my Ph.D. at Cornell University.

Location: Columbus, Ohio, USA

Focus of current work: I study issues related to agricultural labor, both domestically in the US and internationally in sub-Saharan Africa. I am interested both in on-farm labor, which includes labor supply mobility and immigration issues, and in how households make decisions around off-farm work.

[Click here for full interview](#)

Announcements

Faculty and Student Announcements

- Congratulations to GRID student, **Aparajita Santra**, for receiving the prestigious Architectural Research Centers Consortium - [ARCC King Medal Award](#)! Selection of recipients is at the discretion of member institutions based on criteria that acknowledges innovation, integrity, and scholarship in architectural and/or environmental design research.
- WGGP GRID student, **Sulagna Chakraborty**, was awarded the Graduate College Dissertation Completion Fellowship for 2022 – 2023 and Special Recognition for Leadership by the [Graduate College in 2020](#). Congratulations!

International Graduate Student and Visiting Scholar: Research Connection

The University Library, International Student & Scholar Services, and Doctoral Research Support Program are delighted to welcome international graduate students and scholars to participate in the 2022 Research Connection event on **Wednesday, September 14, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**. This



event connects international graduate students and visiting scholars with faculty advisers and campus research services. Spouses, partners, and children are welcome!

[Click here to register](#)

Post-doctoral positions at the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany

1/ MPIDR is recruiting a **postdoctoral researcher** to join the research group “[Gender Inequalities and Fertility](#)”, led by Dr. Nicole Hiekel. [See more](#)

2/ MPIDR is recruiting **up to two highly qualified postdoctoral researchers** to serve as Research Scientists within the [Research Group on Kinship Inequalities](#), led by Diego Alburez-Gutierrez. [See more](#)

Deadline for applications: 19 September 2022

National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) Graduate Mentoring Program

NWSA provides a mentoring program as a professional development opportunity for graduate students entering the job market, both academic and non-academic. To be considered, please complete this [online application](#) no later than **Friday, September 30, 2022**.

CALL FOR ARTISTS: The School of Social Work’s permanent art collection “Elevating Voices: Visualizing Social Justice Through Art” is seeking submissions. **Applications due October 2.**

[Click here for more information](#)



Research Appointments 2023-2024

Each year, the tenured and untenured University of Illinois faculty are invited to submit scholarly/creative proposals for consideration by the Center's permanent Professors. Faculty members with winning proposals are appointed Associates and Fellows and awarded one semester of release time to pursue their projects in the coming academic year.



Proposals must be received by Wednesday, October 4, 2022.

Program guidelines and application materials are available on our website at www.cas.illinois.edu. For more information, please contact CAS Deputy Director Masumi Iriye: iriye@illinois.edu.

Project on Autocratic Legalism: Call for Abstracts

[Abstracts due by October 30, 2022](#)

The Project on Autocratic Legalism (PAL) is a multi-component scholarly initiative that looks at how political leaders use law to undermine democracy and how law can be enlisted to resist these moves, both nationally and transnationally.



We are inviting scholars whose work may contribute to our project to submit abstracts for chapters to be organized in one or more edited volumes.

[Click here for details](#)

Turkish Teaching Assistant

The Department of Linguistics is looking to hire a 17% TA for Turkish to assist with event organization, conversation tables, promotion materials, and lab sessions.

Requirements: Turkish native speaker; UIUC Graduate Student

To begin immediately.

Please contact Dr. Ayse Ozcan aozcan@illinois.edu 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](#)



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.**

Certificate in Global Health

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



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