Undergraduate Sexuality Studies Symposium

April 16-17, 2015
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Program
University of Pittsburgh

Thursday, April 16, 2015, 4:00-5:15
Keynote Undergraduate Lecture
Location: 324 Cathedral of Learning

Anne Balay, “Gay Steelworkers: Expanding How We Imagine Queer Folks, and How Working-Class Queers Expand Queer Possibility”

Friday, April 17, 2015, 9:00-5:00
Symposium Panels 1-4
Location: 402 Cathedral of Learning

1. 9:00-10:15 Sexuality and Identity
Moderator: Ljiljana Pantovic, graduate student, Anthropology and GSWS, University of Pittsburgh
1. Kristin Budd, "Bisexuality and Identity: The Phenomenon of Self-Erasure"
3. Adam Majewski, “The Androgyne or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Across Identities”

2. 10:30-12:00 Globalizing Sexuality
Moderator: Dr. Helma de Vries-Jordan, Director of the History and Political Science Program, University of Pittsburgh at Bradford
1. Aadya Singh, “Caught in the Red Lights”
2. Andriana Ramadhan, "I Now Pronounce You Husband and Minor: The Global Effort to End Child Marriage"
3. Apoorva Kandakatla, “Integrating Cultural Sensitivity Into American Sex Education”
4. Emily Horstman, “‘A Strange Circulation of Quotations’: Queer Readings, Queer Sayings, and Queer Becomings in Sylvia Malloy’s El común olvido”

12:00-1:00 Lunch

Poetry Reading: Jenny Johnson, Department of English, University of Pittsburgh
3. 1:00-2:30 Historicizing Sexuality

Moderator: Trisha Netsch Lopez, graduate student, Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh

1. Tamara Mulu Farrell, “Examining the Basis for Modern Sexuality”


4. Sarah Loser, “‘Which Vegetable Wears the Strap-on’: Historical and Current Lesbian Gender Roles”

4. 2:45-4:00 Queering Sexuality

Moderator: Cole Cridlin, graduate student, French, University of Pittsburgh


2. Alexandra McCarthy, “Queer Theory’s Recognition of the Transbutch”

3. Zachary Grewe, “Veganism is so Gay: Using Psychological Theory to Explore the Connections Between Queer Identity and Meat-Free Diets”

4:00-5:00 Reception and Closing Remarks

Closing remarks: Todd Reeser, Program Director, Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies, University of Pittsburgh