

2018 Cerritos College Women's and Gender Studies Department 31st Annual Women's History Month

Persist! Fighting all Forms of Gender Discrimination



2018 Women's History Month Events Cerritos College 31st Annual Women's History Month Theme: Persist! Fighting all Forms of Gender Discrimination



Message from President Fierro

In late fall 2011, California Assembly Bill No. 887 was signed. This bill amended existing laws which defined gender as connected to sex and/or sexual identity. It also clarified that discrimination based on gender identity or gender expression was illegal. This bill strengthened the message that workplaces, schools, and housing must be inclusive spaces. In 2014, the Campus SaVE Act expanded upon existing Title IX legislation to include "gender identity" as a protected

category. Together, these amendments publicly say that protection from discrimination is not a contingency. However, the reality is that, nationally and locally, individuals still experience discrimination. By design, community colleges are intended to be places that welcome and support all students, but this intention can only become the standard with direct, committed action.

The theme for the 31st Women's History Month celebration is *Persist! Fighting all Forms of Gender Discrimination*. The word "persist" is not only a call to action, but a call to action in the face of adversity, challenge, or setback. Persistent action against discrimination requires courage: courage to speak up when witnessing inequity or harassment; courage to listen and respect the voices of others; courage to demonstrate empathy; courage to stand up and support change. On January 21, 2017, over five million people marched as a show of courage and persistence. Several members of our campus community joined the march and I could not be more proud of them.

The Women's March organization states "we were answering a call to show up and be counted as those who believe in a world that is equitable, tolerant, just and safe for all, one in which the human rights and dignity of each person is protected and our planet is safe from destruction".

A march of five million illustrates that the courage of persistent action is strengthened through collaboration. On our campus, we also strive to take action and fight all forms of gender discrimination and harassment. In September 2013 Cerritos College created The Cerritos Safe Zone Program. Program members work collaboratively across campus to make learning safe and welcoming to all students. To date, The Safe Zone Program has over 100 members. These members are trained faculty, staff, and students who are working together to ensure Cerritos is an inclusive and welcoming place for all people. I believe the most effective path to positive change is through education and community support, and I am proud that Cerritos continues to be an advocate for positive change through its programs and annual educational events. Through community, courage, and collaboration, we will persist.

Greetings Cerritos College community!

The Women's and Gender Studies Department and the Women's History Month Committee invite you to attend our 2018 events. This year, our events emphasize persistence in the fight against inequality. Our theme is; *Persist! Fighting all Forms of Gender Discrimination*. This derives from the theme of the National Women's History Project *Nevertheless She Persisted: Women who Fight all Forms of Discrimination against Women*. We chose to broaden this theme to emphasize the work of people of all genders in pursuit of a more equal society.

For over thirty years, Cerritos College has persisted in its commitment to celebrate women's history and thus toward this pursuit of equality. This year's events celebrate individuals who champion human rights and ensure access and equal opportunity for all. They acknowledge the tenacity and hard work of fearless public activists, and the determination of behind-the-scenes changemakers improving lives in their own neighborhoods.

Please join us in the fight to end sexual violence and gender discrimination in the workplace, to celebrate the history of our foremothers in this struggle, and to understand the intersectional struggles of people of all genders in our combined effort to free ourselves of the gendered oppression that impacts all our lives.

This spring semester, the campus community will work together to celebrate this pursuit of equality. Events will explore science, philosophy, religion, gender identity, health and wellness, and many more topics as well as the visionaries who persist in making change happen.

We look forward to your involvement in these events, and we thank you for your continued support of Women's History Month!

Note: Please refer to the Women's History Month Calendar Index at the end of the booklet (pages 33-36) to find details about the events listed in the program.

Planning Committee Members:

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31st Anniversary Women's History Month Essay Contest Theme: Persist! Fighting all Forms of Gender Discrimination

Prompt: Write an essay of at least 750 words about a woman who has persisted in the fight for gender equality. This may include a well-known or historical activist, but it may also include a woman who has worked to make change at her own workplace, school, or neighborhood, or even in her own family. You may write about any woman/female-identifying person—she may be living or not (or even fictional) and her contribution can come from any field. The essay should describe the woman's persistence—how she persevered in the face of challenges, and refused to give up in her pursuit of a more equal society for all genders.

Requirements:

- Essays must be typed and double-spaced
- Upload the essay as a Word document to <u>Turnitin.com</u> by Friday, March 2, at 6 p.m.
- The turnitin.com class name is Women's History Month Essay Contest 2018. Class ID: 16628512 Enrollment password: persist
- Include a cover page with your name email address, phone number, and student ID.

Prizes:

1st prize: \$250 2nd prize: \$150 3rd prize: \$100

Honorable Mention: \$50

Winners will be announced at a Board meeting in April.
Unfortunately, we cannot individually notify all contestants who did not win.

Questions? Contact Michelle Fagundes at mfagundes@cerritos.edu or extension 2842.

February Events

"The First Lady of the Renaissance: Isabella d'Este"

Facilitator: Dr. Lisa Boutin-Vitela

Dr. Boutin-Vitela will discuss the art patronage and political ambitions of Isabella d'Este, the most famous female collector of the Renaissance.

Date: Tuesday, February 6 **Time:** 12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.

Place: FA 133

Film Viewing and Discussion: A Culture of Toxic Masculinity? The Mask You Live In

Facilitator: Prof. Timothy Chatman and the Philosophy Club

The Mask You Live In follows boys and young men as they struggle to stay true to themselves while negotiating America's narrow definition of masculinity. Pressured by the media, their peer group, and even the adults in their lives, our protagonists confront messages encouraging them to disconnect from their emotions, devalue authentic friendships, objectify and degrade women, and resolve conflicts through violence. These gender stereotypes interconnect with race, class, and circumstance, creating a maze of identity issues boys and young men must navigate to become "real" men.

Date: Tuesday, February 13 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Place: SS 141

Civil Rights and Same-sex Marriage

Coordinators: Dr. Pauline Acosta and the Gender Equality Club

Presenter: Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, JD, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and

Title IX Coordinator

This session will examine the Supreme Court case, Masterpiece Cake Ltd. v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission. When David Mullins and Charlie Craig walked into Masterpiece Cakeshop, a bakery in Denver, Colorado, five years ago, they had no inkling that the encounter would take them to the United States Supreme Court. All they wanted was a wedding cake.

Date: Tuesday, February 13 **Time:** 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Place: SS 213

Film Viewing and Discussion: Bread and Roses

Coordinators: Cerritos College Faculty Federation (CCFF) and the Gender Equality Club.

Facilitators: Dr. Pauline Acosta, Women's and Gender Studies and Gender Equality Club Advisor, Prof. George Jarrett, History Department Chair and CCFF secretary; and Prof. Veronica Miranda, English Department and CCFF Communication Chair

In Los Angeles, illegal Mexican immigrant Maya (Pilar Padilla) finds work as a janitor through her sister, Rosa (Elpidia Carrillo). However, since both work for a non-union company, conditions are grim. After putting up with abuse from her bosses, Maya is open to the pro-union rhetoric offered by organizer Sam Shapiro (Adrien Brody). Rosa, however, is far less interested in clashing with management, given the needs of her family, and a rift begins to form between the sisters.

Date: Tuesday, February 20

Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Black Women: Traditional Forms of Healing, Resilience, and Resistance

Panelists: Dana Sherrod, MPH, Program Manager at the California Black Women's Health Project, T.J. Robinson, M.A. Ph.D. Candidate, Cultural Studies, Claremont Graduate University,

Dr. Shelia Hill, Counseling Faculty, Lashea Brown, Black Women for Wellness Program Coordinator for Get Smart B4U Get Sexy Program, Dr. Natalie Sartin, English Faculty.

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Office of Diversity, Compliance and Title IX Compliance.

The campus and community event will offer a panel discussion and workshop featuring historical context on traditional ways of healing, including spirituality, social, communal support ands forms and sources of resilience and resistance for Black Women descendants from the African Continent and Diaspora. The panel will begin with talks from scholars and community activists to discuss the history of method of healing from the trauma of daily life and structural oppression, then move into a hearty discussion about the developing of strategies to empower attendees to care for themselves and others. The goal of the event is to raise awareness of historical and current struggles that Black Women face.

In partnership with the Black History Month Committe.

Date: Tuesday, February 27 **Time:** 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Social Justice Challenges and Women's Resilience: Poster Session

Facilitator: Gustavo Romero, Academic Counselor A poster session by Counseling 200 class students. Instructor: Gustavo Romero, Academic Counselor

Based on their research projects, teams of students from Professor Romero's Counseling 200 class will share their findings in a poster session on gender and social justice. The poster session will present examples of social justice challenges in the areas economics, religion, environment, education, government, and health, among other areas of human activity. Students will identify women and men seeking solutions to social injustices through their persistence, resilience, and creativity.

Date: Tuesday, February 27 **Time:** 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. **Place:** Library Sidewalk

Diversity and Micro-Aggressions Workshop

Coordinator: Career Services/Re-Entry Resource Program **Presenter:** Pamela Sepulveda, LCSW – Casa Youth Shelter

This event will explore how micro-aggressions interact with one's social/ emotional well-being and the role privilege plays with micro-aggressions. It will also explore levels of privilege.

Date: Tuesday, February 27 **Time:** 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Place: BE 109

Campus Safety: A Conversation on the Clery Act

Coordinators: Dr. Pauline Acosta and the Gender Equality Club.

This session will discuss the *Clery Act*, a federal statute requiring colleges and universities participating in federal financial aid programs to maintain and disclose campus crime statistics and security information. The law is named after Jeanne Clery, a 19-year-old Lehigh University student whom Josoph Henry raped and murdered in her campus hall of residence in 1986. Henry's murder of Ms. Clery triggered a backlash against unreported crime on campuses across the country. Students will discuss Campus safety strategies on campus.

Date: Tuesday, February 27 **Time:** 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Place: SS 213

Nietzsche on Sex, Women, and Gender: "You are going to women? Do not forget the whip!" Thus Spoke Zarathustra

Presenter: Professor Tim Chatman, Department of Philosophy

Nietzsche is notorious for many reasons, including a misogynistic view of women. This presentation will explore a nuanced assessment of his views. Philosophy professor Timothy Chatman's Contemporary Philosophy class will discuss this topic.

Date: Wednesday, February 28

Time: 12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Place: BE 110

Film Festival - Feminists' Worlds: Celebrating Transnational Feminisms through Fearless Females in Film

Coordinator: Prof. Kate St. John (Psychology Department)

Film # 1: PERSEPOLIS

This is an animated film based on French-Iranian Marjane Satrapi's autobiographical graphic novel of the same name. This coming of age film follows "Marji" during the Iranian Revolution and the subsequent Islamic fundamentalist regime. In an attempt to give her a better life, her parents send her away to a foreign land where she is met with a different type of oppression. While addressing themes of religion, rebellion, immigration, isolation, depression, and political injustices, Persepolis, "manages to be both harrowing and exuberant."- Corliss, Richard, "The 10 Best Movies," *Time*.

Date: Wednesday, February 28

Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 15

Students who would like to receive the certificate of Participation should submit a Student Journal and Attendance form (a minimum of three films) to Professor Kate St. John https://doi.org/10.2016/ncertios.edu or Professor Ana Torres-Bower torresbower@cerrtios.edu by Thursday, April 19, 2018.

"I measure the progress of a community by the degree of progress which women have achieved."

Indian politician and economist, B. R. Ambedkar

March Events

Women's Employer Panel

Coordinator: Career Services/Re-Entry Resource Program

Arrive prepared to engage in a discussion regarding hiring practices and trends, exploration of critical skills required for the current job market, network with our panelists and receive effective tips on resume building, interviewing skills and the overall job search process. For more information please contact, Clara Ross, Career Counselor: ctross@cerritos.edu

Date: Thursday, March 1 **Time:** 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Place: LA 103

Women in Leadership for Social Justice and Service Learning Connectedness

Facilitator: Henrietta Hurtado, Cerritos College EOPS Counselor Instructor and Coordinator of the new Institute of Leadership for Social Justice for Service Learning connectedness (ILSJ).

This panel will consist of professional and student leaders involved in the field of social justice through community-based service and Service Learning. Ms. Gyasmine George-Williams. M.S. is a Professor through the College of Education at the University of La Verne. She actively equips her students with the tools to engage and develop multicultural competencies, challenge ideologies and formulate a critical lens. The panel will also consist of Cerritos College student leaders who completed or are working on their Certificate of Leadership for Social Justice and Service Learning through ILSJ.

Date: Tuesday, March 6 **Time:** 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Religion and Gender: Women's Experiences with Religious Discrimination

Presenter: Dr. Mariam Youssef, Women's and Gender Studies professor

This presentation will explore religious communities that experience persecution, discrimination, or genocide, and how women in these communities are particularly affected.

Date: Tuesday, March 6 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12: 15 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Film Viewing and Discussion: Dolores

Coordinators: Cerritos College Faculty Federation (CCFF), the History Department, and the Gender Equality Club.

Facilitators: Dr. Pauline Acosta, Women's and Gender Studies and Sociology professor; Prof. George Jarrett, History Department chair and CCFF secretary; and Prof. Veronica Miranda, English Department and CCFF Communication chair

Rebel. Activist. Feminist. Mother. *Dolores*, a documentary, extols Dolores Huerta's lifelong, and seemingly unlimited, fighting spirit in the service of workers' rights. Raising 11 children while wrestling with gender bias, union defeat and victory, and nearly dying after a San Francisco Police beating, Dolores Huerta bucks 1950s gender conventions to co-found the country's first farmworkers union.

Date: Tuesday, March 6 **Time:** 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Film Festival –Feminists' Worlds: Celebrating Transnational Feminisms through Fearless Females in Film

Event Coordinator: Prof. Kate St. John (Psychology Department)

Film # 2: The Danish Girl

Loosely based on the lives of Danish partners Lili Elbe and Gerda Wegener, *The Danish Girl* is a romantic drama that takes place in the early 1900's that narrates how this couple navigates Elbe's desire to become a woman. *The Danish Girl*, was described by Film Debate as being the "most important film of 2015', stating that 'This is not only the best movie of the year, but it is the most important. The story and performances come together in the truest of ways to make a film that the whole world needs to see and get behind.""

Date: Wednesday, March 7

Time: 5 p.m. -7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Students who would like to receive the certificate of Participation should submit a Student Journal and Attendance form (a minimum of three films) to Professor Kate St. John hstjohn@cerritos.edu or Professor Ana Torres-Bower torresbower@cerrtios.edu by Thursday, April 19, 2018.

Film Viewing and Discussion: Rape On the Night Shift - Part 1

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events; *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator

In partnership with East LA Women's Center, this event will feature the first half of the FRONTLINE and Univision Film, Rape in the Fields. The film is a yearlong investigation into the experiences of harassment faced by migrant women working in US fields and packing plants as they persist to stay employed and provide for their families is the result of a yearlong reporting effort by veteran FRONTLINE correspondent Lowell Bergman, the Investigative Reporting Program at UC Berkeley, and the Center for Investigative Reporting. Following the film, there will be a discussion about the film. This event is in partnership with the East LA Women's Center.

Date: Wednesday, March 7 **Time:** 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. **Place:** Room SS 316

Trauma and Healing Circle I: Stress Relief and Intersectionality

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing, coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator.

In partnership with the Long Beach Trauma Recovery Center, this healing circle will be safe space to talk about personal and social identity and experiences, trauma, resistance, hardship, and perseverance on a host of topics. This event will promote self-care, self-reflection, self-recognition, and lead attendees to uncover strength and confidence. This event also aims to build community, fellowship, and awareness of resources campus and community resources.

Date: Thursday, March 8 Time: 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Place: SS 307

The 18th Cerritos College Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

Coordinator: Dr. Ni Bueno

The goal of the Cerritos College 18th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Walk is to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research and education. The funds generated by this event are donated to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure. This activity is coordinated by the Health, Physical Education, Dance, and Athletics Division, Student Health Services, and the Human Resources' Staff Development program. The event is held every March as part of the College's celebration of the Women's History Month. Please join the cause! For more information about participating in the event, please contact Dr. Bueno at nbueno@cerritos.edu, ext. 2874, or Monica Acuña at macuna@cerritos.edu ext. 2285.

Date: Thursday, March 8

Time: 11 a.m.

Place: Falcon Square

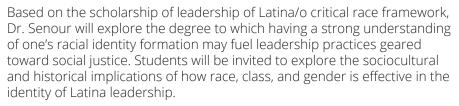
International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8 every year. It commemorates the movement for women's rights.

Women in Leadership for Social Justice: The Latina Experience

Coordinator: Prof. Henrietta Hurtado, EOPS

counselor.

Guest speaker: Dr. María Nieto Senour, President of the San Diego Community College District Board of Trustees



Dr. María Nieto Senour is president of the San Diego Community College District Board of Trustees, the first Latina elected to a city-wide school or College Board office in the city of San Diego. She was first elected in 1990 and re-elected in 1994, 1998, 2002, 2006, 2010 and 2014. In that position, and in the community work she has done, Dr. Senuor has been an advocate for children and for increasing staff and student diversity in education.

Dr. Senour received her bachelor's degree from Marygrove College in Detroit, her master's degree from the University of Toledo in Ohio and her Ph.D. from Wayne State University. She was an elementary school art teacher and a junior high school counselor in Michigan. She was an elementary school counselor in Redlands, California, a psychologist at the University of California, Riverside, a visiting professor at the University of Redlands and she founded the counselor education program at California State University, San Bernardino before assuming her current position at San Diego State in 1977. Professor Senuor has written several professional articles and chapters and has presented at numerous conferences on such topics as Loss and Grief; Working with Mexican American Students and Parents; Gender Roles and Ethnicity, among other topics.

Date: Thursday, March 8
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Fourth Annual Women's Conference (in Spanish) "The Economic Force of Women" / Cuarta Conferencia Anual (en Español) "La Fuerza Económica de la Mujer"

Coordinator: Cerritos College Adult Education and Diversity Department

At this Spanish-language conference, guest speakers and professional presenters target the areas of health, education, and civics with meaningful material and resources. The Cerritos College Annual Women's Conference is unique in serving an untapped population of Spanish speaking Latinas. The mission is to empower and educate students and community members coming from underrepresented backgrounds and extend the support that Cerritos College and its partners offer. For more information please contact, Daryabuth Martinez, dmartinez@cerritos.edu, ext. 2518.

Date: Saturday, March 10 **Time:** 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. **Place:** Student Center

Why is Silicon Valley so Awful to Women? Critical Thinking, Technology, and Gender Ethics

Facilitator: Prof. Ana Torres-Bower, Philosophy Department and Women's and Gender Studies

Tech companies are spending hundreds of millions of dollars to improve conditions for female employees. Philosophy students will discuss why not much has changed—and what might actually work. Join us in one of two PHIL 103 student conversations on gender, ethics, and technology.

Date: Tuesday, March 20 **Times:** 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Place: SS 137

Secretary-General of the United Nations, 2007 – 2016, Ban Ki-moon

[&]quot;Achieving gender equality requires the engagement of women and men, girls and boys. It is everyone's responsibility."

The Safe Zone Lunch and Learn Series; Trans-Minded: A Deeper Understanding of Transgender and Gender Diverse Students

Guest speaker: Erin Pollard, Adjunct Professor, Irvine Valley College, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, and Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator.

The Safe Zone Lunch and Learn Series is an engaging LGBTQ+ themed workshop over lunch. Each session will explore various aspects of LGBTQ+ experiences and help build more inclusive communities for individuals of all sexual orientations and gender identities. This event is open to all members of the Cerritos College community. This session builds on the Safe Zone Ally Training; however, completion of the Safe Zone Ally workshop is not required. For more information please contact Monica Acuña, Staff Development, macuna@cerritos.edu, ext. 2285

Date: Tuesday, March 20 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Place:** Student Center Stage

Mujeres/Women in Latin America: Hard Work, Challenges, Marginalization, Status, and Resilience

Facilitators: Prof. Katya De Los Rios, the Philosophy Club, and the Economics Club

This session will critically examine the processes of globalization that impact the multiple identities and oppressions which shape women's lives with respect to race, gender, class, and culture in Latin America. Prof. De Los Rios and participants will assess the undervalued yet essential contributions of Latin American women to the region and to the global economy.

Date: Tuesday, March 20 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Place: SS 141

Digital Communication and Gender Design: Advertisement Intervention, Exhibition, and Communication in the Digital Revolution

Presenters: Dr. Kimberly Rosenfeld, Speech Department, and Prof. Amanda Reyes, English Department

A conversation on how digital technology is an active agent in gender creation, maintenance, change, and expression through multimodal communication. We will present the multiple ways communication across digital media perpetuates gender roles and expectations in society. Communication implications for navigating the digital revolution will be explored, if time permits

Date: Wednesday, March 21

Time: 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Place: Cheryl A. Epple Board Room

Film Viewing and Discussion: Rape in the Fields/On the Night Shift - Part 2

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing, coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator

This event will feature the second half of the FRONTLINE and Univision Film, Rape in the Fields. The film is a yearlong investigation into the experiences of harassment faced by migrant women working in US fields and packing plants as they persist to stay employed and provide for their families. Following the film, there will be a panel discussion about the film. This event is in partnership with the East LA Women's Center.

Date: Wednesday, March 21

Time: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Place: SS 316

"True equality means holding everyone accountable in the same way, regardless of race, gender, faith, ethnicity - or political ideology."

Monica Crowle

Film Festival –Feminists' Worlds: Celebrating Transnational Feminisms through Fearless Females in Film

Event Coordinator: Prof. Kate St. John, Psychology Department

Film # 3: The Color Purple

Set in rural Georgia during the early 20th century, this film details the problems African American women faced in the U.S. from 1900-1940. Based on Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize winning novel, the story focuses on Celie, a Black woman living in the south, and illustrates strength, resiliency and the struggle to find one's identity in an oppressive and unforgiving society.

Date: Wednesday, March 21

Time: 5 p.m. -7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

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Teratology, Applied Ethics, and Public Health Justice: Removing Social Stigma from Expectant Mothers

Presenter: Dr. Kristen R. Breit, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Psychology, Center for Behavioral Teratology, San Diego State University

The researchers at the Center for Behavioral Teratology (CBT) at San Diego State University (SDSU) study the effects of prenatal drug exposure on brain and behavioral development as well as possible interventions for deficits such as fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD). In addition, these researchers are simultaneously working to help remove the stigma mothers may receive when bringing their children in for diagnosis or interventions. Dr. Breit, a postdoctoral fellow at the CBT, will speak on the research performed at the Center, provide educational information about teratology research, and discuss the efforts being made to lessen the discrimination mothers and children may face in this field.

Date: Thursday, March 22 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Place: SS 306

Lecture: "The Myth of the Latin Woman"

Facilitator: Prof. Lisa Applegate, English Department

A lecture on Judith Ortiz Cofer's "The Myth of the Latin Woman," which details the racist stereotypes that she has encountered in her life, as well as ones that women of Hispanic and Latin descent have encountered.

Date: Monday, March 26 Time: 8 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.

Place: LA 204

Disrupting Birth Narratives: Reclaiming Agency in Our Bodies, with Doula-in-Training Michelle Iskander

Facilitator: Prof. Michelle Fagundes, English Department and Women's and Gender Studies Department

Doula-in-training and Cerritos College alumna Michelle Iskander advocates for women's empowerment and trust in themselves during childbirth. She addresses the science behind the female body's capabilities, the medicalization of birth, sex, a doula's role, and the strength in being your own advocate

Date: Monday, March 26 **Time:** 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Place: SS 213

"We have a history of gender and racial bias on our court that continues to undermine the system. Excluding individuals based on race is antagonistic to the pursuit of justice."

University professor of social policy, law, and women's studies, Anita Hill

Film Viewing and Discussion: No Más Bebés

Facilitators: Dr. John Macias, Prof. Katherine Mishler, and Prof. George Jarret, History Department

No Más Bebés tells the story of a little-known but landmark event in reproductive justice when a small group of Mexican immigrant women sued county doctors, the state, and the U.S. government after they were sterilized while giving birth at Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center during the late 1960s and early 1970s. Marginalized and fearful, many of these mothers spoke no English and charged that they had been coerced into tubal ligation — having their tubes tied — by doctors during the late stages of labor. Often the procedure was performed after asking the mothers under duress. The mothers' cause was eventually taken up by a young Chicana lawyer armed with hospital records secretly gathered by a whistle-blowing doctor. In their landmark 1975 civil rights lawsuit, Madrigal v. Quilligan, they argued that a woman's right to bear a child is guaranteed under the Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade.

Date: Monday, March 26 **Time:** 2 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome

Facilitator: Dr. Shelia D. Hill, Umoja Success Program, Coordinator

Join us for an informal reading and discussion of Dr. Joy DeGruy's *Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome: America's Legacy of Enduring Injury and Healing* book. The book examine behaviors, beliefs, and actions associated with or related to multi-generational trauma experienced by African American. Come be a part of this conversation about healing and recovery.

Date: Tuesday, March 27 **Time:** 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Human Trafficking Workshop

Coordinator: Career Services/Re-Entry Resource Program

This session will examine what human trafficking is, how it affects our local communities, and what we should know as community members.

Date: Tuesday, March 27 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Place: BE 109

Is Epicurus a Feminist Ally?

Coordinators: The Philosophy Club and students in PHIL 109/WS 109:

Philosophy of the Body, Feminism, and Gender

Presenter: Dr. Matt Mayock, Department of Philosophy

Epicurus (341-270 BCE) broke social convention by admitting women to his school, but more importantly, his practical philosophy does not aim to transcend the conditions of physical lives. Refusing to glorify the mind at the expense of the body, Epicurus does not join other ancient philosophers in the male-centered project of associating reason with purportedly 'masculine' qualities set against the feminine. Overviewing his philosophy, we will examine how its structure and aims bypass patriarchal thinking and the extent to which this aligns him with the concerns of contemporary feminism.

Date: Tuesday, March 27 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Place: SS 141

Sexual Harassment Workshop in the Age of #Metoo

Facilitators: Dr. Michelle Ysais and Dr. Pauline Acosta

Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies professors will facilitate a sexual harassment workshop where participant can examine definitions, examples, challenges, and resources to address the oppressive conditions of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical harassment of a sexual nature.

Date: Tuesday, March 27 **Time:** 2 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Place: SS 307

Tenth Annual Community Resource Fair

Coordinator: Career Services/Re-Entry Resource Program

Attendees can learn about resources in the community such as childcare, health care, legal aid, credit counseling, services for the disabled, shelters, social services, treatment programs foster youth services and many more. Representatives from local social service and community resource agencies will be on hand to provide information and answer questions about the services they offer.

Date: Wednesday, March 28

Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Place: Amphitheater Sidewalk in Falcon Square

Tribute to Women Writers

Coordinator: Professor Carlos Arce, Modern Languages Department

Over the past two decades, Cerritos College faculty members have congregated every year to offer tribute to women writers across ages, cultures, and genres in celebration of the Women's History Month. This year's three-hour event welcomes all faculty, staff, administrators, and students to participate and to celebrate women's written legacy by sharing a short selection of their choice. Join us! For more information contact Professor Carlos Arce, arce@cerritos.edu.

Date: Wednesday, March 28

Time: 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Trauma and Healing Circle II: Stress Relief and Intersectionality

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing*, coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Inclusion, and Title IX Compliance

In partnership with the YWCA of Greater Los Angeles, this healing circle will be safe space to talk about personal and social identity and experiences, trauma, resistance, hardship, and perseverance on a host of topics. This event will promote self-care, self-reflection, self-recognition, and lead attendees to uncover inner strength and confidence. This event will also build community, fellowship, and awareness of resources campus and community resources.

Date: Thursday, March 29 Time: 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

Place: SS 307

"I want to state upfront, unequivocally and without doubt: I do not believe that any racial, ethnic or gender group has an advantage in sound judging. I do believe that every person has an equal opportunity to be a good and wise judge, regardless of their background or life experiences."

Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, Sonia Sotomayor

Forms of Intersectional Discrimination: Immigration and Citizenship Policies in the Dominican Republic

Women's History Month 31st Anniversary Keynote Speaker, Dr. April Mayes, History Department Chair, Pomona College

Professor Mayes focuses her research on the Dominican Republic and teaches courses in Colonial Latin American history, Afro-Latin American history, women's and gender studies, and Africana studies. A graduate of Pomona College, Mayes was awarded a Thomas I. Watson Fellowship she used to examine



Protestant women's social justice movements in Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala and Ecuador. Afterwards, she attended the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor where she earned a Ph.D. in history (2003), with an emphasis in the Spanish-speaking Caribbean, gender, ethnicity and race in the American, comparative post-emancipation studies and anthro/history. While at the University of Michigan, Mayes received the Dean's Mellon Award and a Rockefeller Grant to pursue research at the Dominican Studies Institute at City College (CUNY) in New York City. During her tenure at Pomona College, Mayes received a Fulbright Research-Teaching Fellowship (2009-2010) for research in the Dominican Republic and raised over \$30,000 from the Public Affairs Section of the United States Embassy to support Hispaniola Conference and the symposium, Intercambiando Historias: Género y Política en la República Dominicana. Dr. Mayes' areas of scholarship are Colonial and Modern Caribbean History: Colonial and Modern Latin American History: Slavery and Emancipation in the Americas; Sugar Production in the Spanish-Speaking Caribbean; U.S.-Latin American Relations; Transnational Migration, Gender, Race, and Sexuality; Latin American and Caribbean Women's History, Feminist Theory, and Feminist Activism; Afro-Latin American; Black/Africana Studies Dominican Republic; and U.S.-Latin American / Caribbean Relations.

Date: Thursday, March 29 **Hour:** 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

What Does it Mean to be a Historian?

Coordinators: Dr. John Macias and Prof. George Jarrett, History Department

Chair

Guest speaker: Dr. April Mayes, History Department Chair, Pomona College

Dr. Mayes will facilitate a conversation with history majors about the

scholarship of and careers in history.

Date: Thursday, March 29 **Time:** 2 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Atomism and Feminism in Early Modern Philosophy: The Case of Margaret Cavendish

Facilitator: Dr. Ted Stolze, Philosophy Department

This session considers the writings of Margaret Cavendish, who was a seventeenth-century English philosopher, poet, scientist, novelist, and playwright. We examine Cavendish's understanding of the physical world of bodies and how it enables us to imagine the utopian possibility of reconfiguring gender roles.

Date: Thursday, March 29 **Time:** 2 p.m. -3:30 p.m.

Place: SS 137

Popcorn and a Movie:

Wonder Women! The Untold Story of American Superheroines

Coordinators: Prof. Ja'net Danielo and Prof. Erin Cole, English Department

Wonder Women! The Untold Story of American Superheroines traces the fascinating evolution and legacy of Wonder Woman. From the birth of the comic book superheroine in the 1940s to the blockbusters of today, Wonder Women! looks at how popular representations of powerful women often reflect society's anxieties about women's liberation.

Date: Thursday, March 29

Time: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Rape and Sexual Power

Facilitator: Prof. Katherine Mishler, History Department

Have you ever wondered how women in colonial America defined their sexuality? Was sexual abuse present and how did early American women attempt to defend themselves both personally and in court proceedings? Join our discussion as we explore female sexuality and violence in early American history. HIST 102: Political and Social History of the United States: 1500s – 1876.

Date: Thursday, March 29 **Time:** 7 p.m. - 9:50 p.m. **Place:** Room: S 102

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April Events

APRIL is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)

Film Viewing and Group Discussion: Hidden Figures

Coordinators: Gender Equality Club and the Cerritos College Faculty

Federation

This is the story of a team of female African-American mathematicians who served a vital role in NASA during the early years of the U.S. space program. Three brilliant African-American women at NASA -- Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer) and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe) -- serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn (Glen Powell) into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence, turned around the space race and galvanized the world

Date: Tuesday, April 3 **Time:** 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Place: LC 155

Emotional Intelligence and Gender in Academic Performance

Facilitator: Prof. Corina Diaz, Sociology Department

Do you have difficulty coping with the demands of college? Do you feel anxiety and stress when there is time to complete assignments? Do not miss this opportunity to learn skills that can help you cope with the demand of college and help you improve your academic achievement. One of the themes this workshop will explore is gender and academic success. Topics that will be covered in this workshop are emotional intelligence and academic performance; emotional deficits; identifying anxiety; coping with stress; and resources.

Date: Wednesday, April 4 Time: 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Place: BE 116

"Nothing changes the gender equation more significantly than women's economic freedom."

American feminist movement leader since 1960, Gloria Steinem

Film Festival – Feminists' Worlds: Celebrating Transnational Feminisms through Fearless Females in Film

Coordinator: Prof. Kate St. John, Psychology Department

Film # 4: Antonia's Line

Described in the New Yorker as a "Feminist Fairy Tale," this 1995 Dutch film tells the story of Antonia, a World War II widow, who returns to her birth town to tend to her mother on her death bed. Shortly afterward, Antonia established close-knit matriarchal community, where she, her daughter, and her granddaughter follow their own set of rules regarding religion, sexuality, and love.

Date: Wednesday, April 4 **Time:** 5 p.m. -7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Students who would like to receive the certificate of Participation should submit a Student Journal and Attendance form (a minimum of three films) to Professor Kate St. John https://doi.org/10.2016/ncertitos.edu or Professor Ana Torres-Bower torresbower@certitos.edu by Thursday, April 19, 2018.

Digital Humanities Initiative Enhancing Philosophy Scholarship

Coordinator: Prof. Ana Torres-Bower, Philosophy Department

Guest speaker: Melissa Gholamnejad, Claremont Graduate University

philosophy doctoral candidate

Claremont Graduate University philosophy doctoral candidate Melissa Gholamnejad will share some aspects of her doctoral dissertation project on 17th Century philosophy Cartesian metaphysics and the integration of specialized research tools. This presentation will explore the value of the Digital Humanities (DH) initiative at the Claremont University Consortium.

The emerging field of DH studies places the interactions between literature, art, performance, history, electronic media, data analysis, and new technologies at the center of humanities research and pedagogy, deepening our understanding of human culture. This event is open to the public.

Date: Thursday, April 5 **Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Place: SS 137

Film Viewing and Discussion: Wind River

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator. This activity is also part of a group of SAAM events, *Illuminating the Intersectionality of Sexual Violence Week* (April 9 – 13).

The film exposes the real prevalence of Native American Indian women who have been murdered or disappeared without any data, protocol, or legislation to address the issue. In an effort to bring awareness to this crisis, this collaborative event will discuss the problematic history of the mistreatment of Native American Indian women, and offer solutions of how our community can address this issue.

Date: Monday, April 9 **Time:** 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Have FRIES with that Consent

Facilitators: Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator, and Dr. Mariam Youssef, Women's and Gender Studies Department

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator. This event is also part of a group of SAAM events, *Illuminating the Intersectionality of Sexual Violence Week* (April 9 – 13).

This interactive workshop raises awareness about consent as Freely Given, Reversible, Informed, Enthusiastic and Specific (FRIES). Come enjoy some free gourmet French fries and discuss the importance of consent and practical ways to ask for and give affirmative consent.

Day: Tuesday, April 10 **Time:** 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m. **Place:** Student Center Stage

Keeping Women at the Heart of Conflict in Charge

Facilitator: Dr. John Haas, History Department

In this session, Dr. Haas will examine the efficacy of activism and the role of women as peace builders addressing political and social crises through conflict resolution.

Date: Tuesday, April 10 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Film Viewing and Discussion: The Mask you Live In

Facilitators: Gender Equality Club and Dr. Pauline Acosta (Club Adviser)

This documentary explores how our culture's narrow definition of masculinity is harming our boys, men and society at large and unveils what we can do about it. *The Mask You Live In* follows boys and young men as they struggle to stay true to themselves while negotiating America's narrow definition of masculinity. Research shows that compared to girls, boys in the U.S. are more likely to be diagnosed with a behavior disorder, prescribed stimulant medications, fail out of school, binge drink, commit a violent crime, and/or take their own lives.

Date: Tuesday, April 10 Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Place: SS 213

Women in Contemporary China

Facilitator: Prof. Yiran Zhou, Modern Languages Department

Students enrolled in Professor Yiran Zhou's, CHIN 260 (Chinese culture and society, offered online in English) will discuss Chinese women's role and status in today's family, society, and politics, focusing on the impact of economic reforms for Chinese women in rural and urban areas.

Dates: Online Discussion Forum, April 9-13

Times: Online Place: Online

Take Back the Night!

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia C. Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator. This activity is also part of a group of SAAM events, *Illuminating the Intersectionality of Sexual Violence Week* (April 9 – 13).

This student led event helps fight against the stigma behind rape culture and sexual violence. Speakers will discuss the problems and biases surrounding rape, personal testimonies, and ways to cope while on the road to recovery in order to be able to Take Back the Night.

Day: Wednesday, April 11 **Time:** 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Place: Cerritos College Amphitheater

Social Media and Activism

Coordinators: Dr. Mariam Youssef and the students in WS 104: Community Organizing and Activism

Dr. Youssef will discuss the culture of new protest movements of the 21st century, from the Arab Spring to #MeToo activism. The use of social media will be examined as re-appropriation of public spaces to express new politics of dissent as a powerful contemporary protest experience. Students will examine the ways that social media platforms affect activist efforts.

Date: Thursday, April 12 **Time:** 3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Place: BE 105

Empowering the Oppressed: Disrupting the Intersection of Low-Wage Work and Sexual Abuse

This activity is part of the Cycle of Events: *Exploring the Margins: Intersectionality, Sexual Balance, and Healing,* coordinated by Dr. Valyncia Raphael, Director of Diversity, Compliance, and Title IX Coordinator. This activity is also part of a group of SAAM events, *Illuminating the Intersectionality of Sexual Violence Week* (April 9 – 13).

The East LA Women's Center uses the Promotora model to train women to become paraprofessional community health workers, providing basic health education and support for women affected by interpersonal violence and HIV/AIDS. Their presence helps bridge cultural, language, and economic barriers. This panel will discuss this model and how it is used to empower women to help others and themselves in the road to healings from sexual abuse in the low-wage workplace.

Date: Thursday, April 12 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Place: SS 307

"A gender line... helps to keep women not on a pedestal, but in a cage." Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Faculty and Staff Training on Title IX and Sexual Violence Prevention

This training is offered in morning and afternoon sessions to assist members of the campus community understand what sexual violence is and how to respond to someone who discloses that they have been a victim of sexual violence. The morning session is open to anyone interested in taking the training, however, the afternoon session is reserved for hearing officers and will cover a trauma informed approached to the role and duties of a hearing officer. This activity is also part of a group of SAAM events, Illuminating the Intersectionality of Sexual Violence Week (April 9 – 13). For more information, please contact Monica Acuña, staff development assistant, macuna@cerritos.edu, Ext. 2285.

Date: Friday, April 13 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Place: LA 103

Film Festival – Feminists' World: Celebrating Transnational Feminisms through Fearless Females in Film

Event Coordinator: Prof. Kate St. John, Psychology Department

Film # 5: Temple Grandin

Temple Grandin is an inspirational biopic about a woman named Temple Grandin who was born with autism when autism was unheard of. The story begins showing Temple as an uncommunicative child and her mother's efforts to help her young daughter. After medical professionals urge Temple's mother to institutionalize her, Grandin's mother instead hires therapists to help her daughter adapt to the social world, and subsequently Temple becomes one of the top scientists in the humane livestock handling industry, earning a PhD in animal husbandry. A truly fearless female, Temple overcomes sexism and ableism while finding her own niche and becoming a prominent scholar and autism advocate.

Date: Wednesday, April 18

Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

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Women's History Month Essay Contest Awards Ceremony – Cerritos College Board of Trustees

Women's History Month essay contest award winners will be honored by President Dr. Jose Fierro and the Cerritos College Board of Trustees.

Date: Wednesday, April 18

Time: 7 p.m.

Place: Cheryl A. Epple Board Room

Sexual Harassment: Tough Conversations and Challenging Questions

Coordinators: Prof. Marcela Daltro, Dr. Jianli Hu, and Prof. Wendy Wright, Business Administration Faculty Members

Sexual harassment in the workplace often stems from misusing and abusing of power. We want to use this opportunity to engage our students in an open conversation that will help them understand the prevalence and nature of sexual harassment, the recent #MeToo movement, and what we can do to foster a better work environment and increase gender parity.

Date: Thursday, April 19 **Time:** 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Place: BE 119

Student Conference on Social Justice: A Dialogue on Race, Policing, Immigration, and Incarceration in the United States.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Kelly Lytle Hernandez, Associate professor, UCLA Department of History

11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.: Dr. Kelly Lytle Hernandez's presentation on race, policing, immigration, and incarceration in the United States.

12:30 – 1:45 p.m.: A seminar on Dr. Hernandez's book, *City of Inmates: Conquest and the Rise of Human Caging in Los Angeles*, facilitated by the author with students from philosophy, history, economics, and Women's and Gender Studies' classes.

For more information, please contact Dr. Ted Stolze, Chair, Department of Philosophy, tsolze@cerritos.edu, extension 2774.

Date: Thursday, April 19 Time: 11 a.m. -1:45 p.m.

Place: Teleconference Center, LC 155

Overcoming Gender Related Challenges in Academia: Student and Faculty Experiences

Coordinators: The Psychology Club, Dr. Jaclyn Ronquillo, club adviser, and

Dr. Veronica Sanchez, Psychology professor

A panel will discuss diverse experiences of gender-related challenges in academia for students and faculty and strategies for persistence.

Day: Tuesday, April 24 Time: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Place: SS 215

Health, Gender, and Social Justice

Presenter: Dr. Ralph Casas, Pharmacy Technology Department Chair This event is sponsored by the Philosophy Club and the Gender Equality Club.

A conversation on health disparities including differences that occur by gender, race or ethnicity, education or income, disability, living in rural localities, or sexual orientation.

Date: Tuesday, April 24 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Place: SS 141

Celebrating the Whole Child: Exploring Gender Roles in Elementary Education & Beyond!

Coordinator: Prof. Ana Torres-Bower, Philosophy Department

Guest Speaker: Veronica Bloomfield, Ph.D., Coordinator of Educational Services, Lynwood Unified School District, Department of Equity

This session will explore examples of how children bring their whole selves into the educational arena and how adults and peers can influence their self-perceptions and interactions with one another. We will discuss how feminism seeks a world where all people can thrive and live to their full potential.

Date: Thursday, April 26 **Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Place: SS 137

Coworkers of Paul: Women Leaders in the Early Jesus Movement

Coordinators: The Philosophy Club and the Gender Equality Club

Presenter: Dr. Ted Stolze, Philosophy Department

This session looks at the role of such women as Phoebe, Chloe, Priscilla, and Junia in establishing and maintaining the new communities that arose - especially in Asia Minor, Greece, and Rome - from the first-century "Jesus movement." In particular, we note that Paul's letters stress the co-equal role of women as organizers of, and leaders within, these communities.

Date: Thursday, April 26 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Place: SS 315

Reinhabiting the Body: Avoiding Philosophical Pitfalls

Presenter: Dr. Matthew Mayock, Philosophy Department, Phil 109/WS 109: Philosophy of the Body, Feminism, and Gender

This session examines various ways that Western philosophers have historically devalued the body in developing their accounts of the mind and reason, and how this devaluation has served to justify patriarchal attitudes. Looking at the work of Elizabeth Grosz, we will trace contemporary feminist resistance to these older models of the body and explore new proposals of the mind/body relationship and their impact on Philosophy.

Date: Thursday, April 26 **Time:** 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Place: BE 109

Femininity and Feminism

Coordinator: Dr. Mariam Youssef, Women's and Gender Studies Department

Is feminism empowering? Is makeup feminist? Women's and Gender Studies student Suzy Casillas will share her semester research project exploring the history of femininity and its place in culture and power. This event is open to all students. Join us!

Date: Thursday, April 26 **Time:** 3:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Place: BE 105

Women in the Abolition Movement

Presenter: Prof. Katherine Mishler, History Department

Come explore the important contributions of female reformers, especially in the abolitionist (anti-slavery) movement. Through these new reform movements, American women begun advocating for themselves in both the public and private spheres for equal rights and protections under the law.

Date: Tuesday, May 1 **Time:** 7 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.

Place: S 102

Film Viewing and Discussion: Equal Means Equal

Facilitators: Gender Equality Club and Dr. Pauline Acosta (Club Adviser)

This documentary offers an unflinching look at how women are treated in the United States today. Examining both real-life stories and precedent-setting legal cases, director Kamala Lopez uncovers how outdated and discriminatory attitudes inform and influence seemingly disparate issues, from workplace harassment to domestic violence, rape and sexual assault to the foster care system, and the health care conglomerate to the judicial system. Along the way, she reveals the inadequacy of present laws that claim to protect women, ultimately presenting a compelling and persuasive argument for the urgency of ratifying the Equal Rights Amendment.

Date: Tuesday, May 8 **Time:** 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Place: SS 213

Notice: Events are subject to change. Please visit the Women's and Gender Studies Department website, for updates, http://cms.cerritos.edu/ws/ or contact Ana Torres-Bower, Chair, Women's and Gender Studies Department, torresbower@cerritos.edu. Thank you.

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The Women's History Month Planning Committee

"Countries with higher levels of gender equality have higher economic growth. Companies with more women on their boards have higher returns. Peace agreements that include women are more successful. Parliaments with more women take up a wider range of issues - including health, education, anti-discrimination, and child support."

Secretary-General of the United Nations, 2007 – 2016, Ban Ki-moon

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Former Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, Sandra Day O'Connor

[&]quot;The power I exert on the court depends on the power of my arguments, not on my gender."

