2018 UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY WOMEN’S, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY STUDIES GRADUATE STUDENT ORGANIZATION PRESENTS

RESISTANCE KNOWS NO BORDERS
An Interdisciplinary Conference on Feminism, Borders, and Resistance
Saturday March 3, 2018

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Borders are setup to define the places that are safe and unsafe, to distinguish us from them. A border is a dividing line, a narrow strip along a steep edge. A Borderland is a vague and undetermined place created by the emotional residual of an unnatural boundary. It is in a constant state of transition. The prohibited and forbidden are its inhabitants

- Gloria Anzaldúa

Borders are physical and ideological demarcations – built between and thrust upon people to delineate identity, nation, and belonging. Issues of crossing borders and citizenship at different levels have taken on widespread importance in our contemporary era, especially when we consider the various ways in which race, gender, sexuality, class, and religion intersect to situate the individual within a specific social and geographical location. Borders affect the flows of people, ideas, and capital around the globe – though often in very different ways according to local context.

The Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Department at the University of Albany’s graduate student organization invites you to send proposals for papers, posters, workshops, or creative projects that focus on borders of all types and imaginaries-- or other topics relevant to women’s, gender, and sexuality studies. This conference is open to scholars and general interest researchers of all academic levels. Submissions should include an abstract of up to 250 words and be sent to sighualbany@gmail.com by Friday January 26, 2018. Participants will be notified about the status of their proposal by February 9th. Paper and creative project submissions should plan for 15 minutes presentations; workshop submissions should plan to facilitate for 30-45 minutes; poster presentations should be designed for 48” by 36” posters.

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