The Race/Gender Resource Center's quarterly newsletter provides information about scholarship opportunities that focus on issues of race and gender, including conferences, calls for papers, and job announcements. Also look for postings about upcoming events sponsored or co-sponsored by the Center. Please contact the Center at 1545 if you would like to post an announcement. We invite you to visit the Center at room 3A Marts Hall, opposite the post office. The Center's library includes books, journals, flyers, as well as a file of catalogues and order forms for new books, periodicals, and films in race and gender studies. We also have further information about most of the items and events listed.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

FEBRUARY 17, 1998
“Africa in Western Imaginary: A Philosophical Exploration.” Lecture by Prof. Emmanuel Eze, Smith Library, Vaughan Literature, 7pm.

FEBRUARY 19, 1998
“Blacks in Science: Ancient and Modern.” Lecture by Dr. Ivan Van Sertima, Gallery Theatre, LC, at 7:00pm. For more information contact the Multicultural Center.

FEBRUARY 21, 1998
Lecture and piano performance of music of Fanny Mendelssohn-Hensel by Dr. Katherine Boyse of Wake Forest University. Bucknell Hall. Co-sponsored event.

FEBRUARY 24, 1998

FEBRUARY 25 AND 26, 1998
Queer Studies Reading Group will meet from 4-6pm in the Smith Library.

MARCH 2, 1998
Public lecture by Sue Ellen Case: “Sex at the Crossroads: Queer Theory in a Transnational Context” at 7:30 pm in the Gallery Theatre, LC. The talk concerns the intersection of gender and sexuality with the new global project of virtual technologies. Working from a transgender website, it considers the development of the new energy of “trans” from transsexual, to the transnational of capital across cultural differences.


MARCH 3, 1998
Faculty workshop on Queer Theory, conducted by Sue Ellen Case, 11am - 1pm Cave, LC.

MARCH 1998
Race/Gender/Science/Technology Reading Group. (Date to be announced.)

MARCH 26, 1998
“The Next Millennium is Now Here: Women’s Studies Perspectives on Biotechnics and Reproductive Technologies”. Lecture by Sue Rosser, 7:30 pm, Gallery Theatre, Langone Center.

Using the lens of gender to view the world results in diverse images or theories: liberal feminism, Marxist feminism, socialist feminism, African-American feminism, conservative or essentialist feminism, existentialist feminism, psychoanalytic feminism, radical feminism, postmodern, and post-colonial feminism. The variety and complexity of these various feminist theories provide a framework through which to explore research agendas in biology, health, biotechnics and reproductive technologies.

Reception to follow.
Submissions are invited on the topic of Black American rhetoric for a proposed session (or sessions) of the International Society for the History of Rhetoric, July 13-17, 1998. Papers may address any issue in the cultural tradition of African American rhetoric (including oratory or public speaking) from political speeches to preaching; metaphors, tropes or techniques of persuasion or argument in literature or other texts; analyses of major (or minor) figures and their styles; Black feminist rhetoric; relations between African and diasporic rhetoric are a few of the suggested topics. Please send 1-2 page proposals by April 30, 1998. For further information on topics, inquiries, and so forth, please contact Jerise Fogel, Classics Dept., Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, USA 17325. E-mail: jfogel@gettysburg.edu. Phone: (717) 337-6556 OR Judith Deitch, Dept. of English, University of Toronto, 7 King’s College Circle, Toronto, Canada, M5S 1A1. E-mail: jdeitch@chass.utoronto.ca; Fax: (416) 978-2836.

The Black Radical Congress is scheduled to be convened in Chicago, Illinois June 19-21, 1998. The purpose of the BRC is to set a black liberation agenda for the 21st century; consider transformative politics that will focus on the conditions of black working and poor people. BRC seeks both financial contributions and participation in workshops and panels. For further information and/or to register please send your name, address and telephone/fax number to: Black Radical Congress, P.O. Box 5766, Chicago, Illinois 60680-5766.

CONFERENCES:


“Interrogating Subcultures,” an interdisciplinary conference. University of Rochester, March 27-28, 1998. Work presented will attempt to address a range of concerns, including the expanding discourse around previously embattled and/or unnamed subjectivities and theoretical positions; the position that subcultures and their study occupy within the academy; and the practice of negotiating the affirmative and pejorative accounts of subcultural studies.

First Annual Gay/Lezbian Studies Conference at the University of North Carolina at Asheville will be March 27-28, 1998. Theme: “Queer Geographies: Community and Place in History.” This conference focuses on queer issues in law, literature, philosophy, and history (including regional). For further information, please contact: G/L/SC, c/o Lange, UNCA, Humanities, CH227, One University Hts, Asheville, NC 28804. Inquiries only to: rlangue@unca.edu.

5th Annual Women’s Undergraduate Conference, “Women: Crossing Boundaries/ Crossing Identities,” will be held March 27-29, 1998. This conference is open to all students and focuses on analyzing, representing, or informing about aspects of women’s lives. Questions or more detailed information can be obtained by contacting Jahaira: fajaj58@oneonta.edu; David: neglbd17@oneonta.edu; Pam: naromp26@oneonta.edu; or Yukiie: trevycc50@oneonta.edu.

The International Women’s Solidarity Conference, week of April 11, 1998. Thousands of women from all over the world will gather in Havana, Cuba, to share, discuss, and strategize on 6 conference topics in a follow-up to the 1995 World conference on Women in Beijing. For more information, check out the web page of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) at http://www.wilpf.org or call (215) 563-7110. E-mail: wilmfna@ige.org.

Gender/Women’s Studies Faculty Workshop. Monteverde, Costa Rica; Seminar Dates: June 9-19, 1998; Application Deadline: April 24, 1998. The workshop will stimulate university initiatives toward internationalizing curricula. It will offer faculty and administrators the opportunity to learn about issues that affect world events, while they will share insights and experiences with educational and professional communities overseas. More information available at the Race/Gender Resource Center.
