Fall 2010 Schedule

Talks are Mondays at 4:00pm, Thursdays at 5:00pm and Fridays at 1:00pm at the FCWSRC, Mount Holyoke College, 83 College Street, South Hadley

Thursday, October 14 at 5:00pm
**Gender, Sexuality and Undercover Investigation in New York City**
Jennifer Fronc
University of Massachusetts-Amherst (History)

Thursday, October 21 at 5:00pm
**From the Lesbian Ghetto to Ambient Community: The Perceived Costs of Integration for Community**
Japonica Brown-Saracino
Boston University (Sociology)

Friday, October 22 at 1:00pm
**Women’s Experiences in Internal Displacement: A Case of the Current Armed Conflict in Turkey**
Ceyda Kuloğlu-Karsli
Middle East Technical University (Sociology)

Monday, November 8 at 4:00pm
**Desire as Duty in Post-Transition Spain**
Karin Eksström
University of Gothenburg (Global Studies)

Thursday, December 2 at 5:00pm
**There is Nothing Like a Dame: Women and Men in Academic Communities, 1890-1930**
Amy Mittelman
Independent Scholar

### Special Events

**From Antagonism to Agonism: Shifting Paradigms of Women’s Opposition to the State**
Rajeswari Sunder Rajan, New York University (Distinguished Visiting Global Professor)
The familiar feminist representation of Antigone’s “defiance” described and questioned in Judith Butler’s book Antigone’s Claim (2000), leads to an exploration of the political and historical reasons for the turn from the “antagonistic” model of opposition to the state that this literary icon has long represented, towards a modality of struggle that might be described as instead “agonistic.” Sunder Rajan examines the classical Tamil epic Silappadhikaram whose heroine, Kannaki, is a comparable figure. The talk concludes with a discussion of the implications of an agonistic feminist politics, especially as it was played out in the circumstances surrounding the mobilization of Indian women around the passage of the Child Marriage Restraint Act in colonial India in 1929.

**Gender and the Human Genome: Collaborative Research in Feminist Science Studies**
Students and faculty from the collaborative Five College research project, "Gender and the Human Genome," will present results from their research. The project tracks emerging questions in sex and gender difference in human genomic research and is part of a long-term collaborative and interdisciplinary project, the “Genes and Gender Initiative.” Specific topics include homosexuality, epigenetics, monogamy and animal models, women’s health movement and investment in genomic research, gendered dimensions of autism, and direct-to-consumer marketing.

**Annual Five College Women’s Studies Fall Reception**
Tuesday, September 21 from 4:00-6:00pm
Join us in welcoming new MHC President Lynn Pasquerella. The afternoon will also include a celebration of the gift of Evelyn Wilson sculptures on view at 83 College Street, and a display of recent books on women, gender and sexuality by Five College faculty.

All our talks are free and open to the public. No pre-registration required.

For full descriptions of our events, news of other FCWSRC autumn activities and a listing of some other Five College area events on women and gender see [www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/fcwsr](http://www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/fcwsr)

Please join us.