



The Centre for the Study of Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Warwick would like to invite postgraduate students from any

institution working in the field to present at the Graduate Student Seminar Series for the coming academic year 2009/2010. There is no particular 'theme' for this year's seminar series, and we welcome submissions from a number of disciplines on gender related topics of your choice. There will be six seminar slots spread over the year.

The Graduate Student Seminar Series provides a friendly, informal setting for graduate students to give presentations and exchange ideas related to women and gender studies. At each meeting, a student presents for approximately half an hour on a topic of their choice, followed by a question-answer session. Some seminars will have two presentations of twenty minutes each where presentations speak to each other particularly well, and discussion afterwards. Seminars aim to be interactive. Attendance is open to everyone, both faculty members and students, within and outside the university. We are aiming to hold each seminar slot on two Wednesdays per term at around 5pm.

The goals of the seminar series are twofold:

- To provide a safe and comfortable venue for students to present their research, to fine-tune conference presentations/possible publications or to simply get used to the idea of speaking in front of a group.
- To encourage everyone to get together informally to learn about what the student community in the UK are working on in relation to gender/feminist studies.

This centre is interdisciplinary and draws its membership from across the university. It aims to provide a focus for research and teaching on women and gender in the university and to facilitate the development of interdisciplinary research in the area of women's and gender studies. Women's and gender studies has been established for almost twenty years at Warwick; the Centre itself was established in 1993 and in the summer of 2002 it became a research centre based in the Department of Sociology.

For more information about the Centre please go to:
<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/sociology/gender/>

Abstracts to be considered should be:

- Maximum 200 words
- Submitted by **September 5th 2009**
- Email abstracts to Katy Pilcher: K.E.M.Pilcher@warwick.ac.uk

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