

Left Coast Feminisms:  
Reimagining Borders, Bodies and the Law

**Preliminary Program**

Sociologists for Women in Society  
Winter Meeting, February 4-7, 2010

Mar Monte Hotel  
Santa Barbara, CA 93103  
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(Additional Meeting Space)  
University of California, Santa Barbara

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*\*Please note: with the exception of dinner Thursday & Friday, ALL MEALS listed here are INCLUDED with your conference fee.*

**Thursday, February 4, 2010**

**Registration**

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

El Cabrillo

**EO and Budget Meeting**

3:30-5:00 p.m.

El Cabrillo

**Welcome Reception**

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Welcome from SB Mayor-Elect Helene Schneider

La Cantina

**Executive Council Meeting I**

7:00 p.m.

Dinner Meeting

**Dinner on your own\***

7:00 p.m.

*\*Note: Participants will be provided with a SWS Folder that includes reusable name tab, meal ticket, map of Santa Barbara/Goleta, a list of restaurants/bars with brief descriptions and a price chart.*

**Friday, February 5, 2010**

**Registration**

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

El Cabrillo

**Breakfast**

7:00 - 8:30 a.m.

El Cabrillo

**New Officers and Chairs Meeting**

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Gazebo

## Concurrent Sessions I

8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

### *Committee Meetings*

Publications Committee I  
Nominations Committee  
International Committee  
Student Concerns Committee  
Career Development Committee

La Cantina  
Vista I  
Vista II  
Vista III  
Gazebo

### *Roundtables*

El Cabrillo

### **Table 1**

Table Facilitator: Kegan Allee, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Voices from the Field: Conflicting Views of the Linguistic Shift from “Intersexuality” to “Disorders of Sex Development,”* Georgiann Davis, University of Illinois at Chicago

*Reimagining Borders in the Quest to Understand and Prevent Environmental Causes of Breast Cancer,* Lori B. Baralt, California State University, Long Beach

*Toward a Feminist Theory of Letting Go,* Donna King, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

### **Table 2**

Table Facilitator: Danielle Hidalgo, University of California, Santa Barbara

*When Pushing the Boundary is Not Enough: Missing Social Class and Racial and Ethnic Difference in a Study of Married, Bisexual, Polyamorous Women,* Alison R. Moss, University of Illinois at Chicago

*The Perpetual Virgin: Women’s Sexuality as a Symbol of Honor and Shame in Islamic Jordan, Turkey, and France,* Jennifer Earles, University of South Florida

*Transnational West Coast/Iranian Feminism: The Neda Symbolism,* Shahin Gerami, San Jose State University

### **Table 3**

Table Facilitator: Beth Schneider, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Threat Level Lavender: Gay Rights, Deep Integration, and the American Dream,* Suzanna Danuta Walters, Indiana University

*Refusing the Damaged Goods Option: Regimes of Race, Ability, and Sexuality in Transnational*

*Adoption Circuits*, Amy Brainer, University of Illinois at Chicago

*Choice as a Right and Commodity: Understanding Reproductive Health Within a Context of Globalization*, Tanya Bakhru, San Jose State University

**Table 4**

Table Facilitator: Joan Budesá, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Escaping Katrina and Negotiating FEMA Practices: Women, Networks, and Dispersal*, Jackie Litt, University of Missouri

*Race Trumps Gender? Understanding the Use of the Race-Only Framework in Contemporary African American Civil Rights and Service Organizations*, Kiana Cox, University of Illinois at Chicago

*Privileging Community: A Study of Queer Youth Programming and the Successes of Community Members as Youth Service Provider*, Shae Miller, University of California, Santa Barbara

**Thematic Lecture**

El Cabrillo

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. Undergraduate Award Presentation

10:15-11:30 a.m. (Title TBA)

Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, University of Southern California

**Lunch**

11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

El Cabrillo

**Luncheon Presentation**

12:45 - 1:15 p.m. (TBA)

El Cabrillo

**Concurrent Sessions II**

1:30 - 2:45 p.m.

*Panel Presentation: Reproducing Bodies: Power, Policies and Borders*

La Cantina

Organizers: Christine Morton, Stanford University and Adina Nack, California Lutheran University

Presenters: Christine Morton, Stanford University, Adina Nack, California Lutheran University, Roberta Villalón, St. John's University

*Panel Presentation: Gender, Service, and Work-Time in the Academy*

Vista I

Organizers: Joya Misra, University of Massachusetts, Shae Miller, University of California, Santa Barbara

Presenters: Laura Kramer, Montclair State University, Joya Misra, University of Massachusetts, Sarah Winslow-Bowe, Clemson University

*Roundtables*

El Cabrillo

**Table 5**

Table Facilitator: Alison Crossley, University of California, Santa Barbara

*“Becoming a Pothead:” Performing Gender while Normalizing Deviant Identity within the Subculture of Marijuana Smoking*, Ranita Ray, University of Connecticut

*Moving Forward or In Reverse?: Gendered Evaluations of Promiscuous Hooking Up Among College Students*, Rachel Allison, University of Illinois at Chicago

*Gender & Ethnicity in STEM Major Persistence: First and Second Year Outcomes*, Mary Virnoche & Elizabeth Eschenbach, Humboldt State University

### **Table 6**

Table Facilitator: Jennifer Rogers, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Selling the Seven Sisters: Racialization, Sexualization and Tourist Productions of India’s Northeast*, Vrushali Patil, Florida International University

*Transitory Inclusion: Talk of Victimhood and Love in the American Military Camptown in South Korea*, Hae Yeon Choo, University of Wisconsin, Madison

*Gendered Social Movements: Framing Femicide Activism in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico*, Chelsea Starr, Minot State University

### **Table 7**

Table Facilitator: Monica Lomeli, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Conversations of Commonality or Dialogues of Difference: African American Working Class Women and their Perceptions of their Latina Co-Workers*, Lehua McAllister, University of Illinois at Chicago

*Work/Life Border: Can Corporate Childcare Centers Cross the Border in Japanese Society?*, Tsuyako Nakamura, Doshisha University

*Feminism and the “Biological Time Clock,”* Amy Agigian, Suffolk University

### *Workshops*

*Disrupting the Culture of Silence: Academic Justice in an Era of Budget Cuts*

Sponsored by the Academic Justice Committee

Vista II

Organizers: Kris De Welde, Florida Gulf Coast University, Gail Murphy-Geiss, Colorado College & Amy Leisenring, San Jose State University

Presenters: Amy Leisenring, San Jose State University: *‘I wish I didn’t have to work:’ The impact of employment on the lives of working-class college students* & Kris De Welde, Florida Gulf Coast University: *Faculty Governance: Concerns, Commitment, and Crunching Numbers*

The Committee on Academic Justice (CAJ) is interested in exploring the ways in which funding cuts in higher education impede academic justice and equity. This session will include both formal and informal sharing of research in this area as well as open discussion of key issues, experiences of budget cuts, and coping strategies and solutions.

**Break**

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Refreshments

La Cantina

**Concurrent Sessions III**

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

*Committee Meeting*

Publications II

La Cantina

*Panel Presentation: Resisting Academic Borders: Antiracist Feminist*

*Collaboration Amongst Junior Teacher-Scholar-Activists*

Gazebo

Panel Organizers & Presenters: Sylvanna Falcon, University of California, Riverside, Dana Collins, California State University, Fullerton, Molly Talcott, California State University, Los Angeles

*Roundtables*

El Cabrillo

**Table 8**

Table Facilitator: Rebecca Romo, University of California, Santa Barbara

*The Logic of Nativist Ideology: Examining Online Discussions of Nativist Restrictionist Sentiment*, Katrina Bloch, Kent State University at Stark

*Living on the Not So Left Coast: Personal Musings on Florida's Amendment 2 and Being Legally Married in Places Other than Where You Live*, Sara Crawley, University of South Florida

*Virtual Gender: Teaching Evaluations in Online Classes or What Happens When We Can't See What We Can't Count: a follow up to Sprague and Massoni*, Margaret Greer, National University

**Table 9**

Table Facilitator: Maria Charles, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Coming out as Fat: Rethinking Stigma*, Abigail C. Saguy, University of California, Los Angeles

*Feederism: A Content Analysis of Erotica Weight Gain on the Web*, Ariane Prohaska, University of Alabama

*The Fat Acceptance Movement: A Study of Women Members' Dating and Sexual Experiences*,  
Jeannine A. Gailey, Texas Christian University

*Bound Bodies: An Investigation of Gender, Race and Class in the Slender Aesthetic*, Sabrina  
Strings, University of California, San Diego

### *Workshops*

*The Importance of Leisure & Recreation in Our Lives*

Sponsored by the Program Committee

Vista I

Organizers: Kegan Allee, University of California, Santa Barbara & Greta Mills, University of  
California, Santa Barbara

This workshop discusses the importance of leisure and recreation in women's lives. The focus will be on the obstacles women must negotiate to make time for leisure and recreation, and perhaps more importantly, strategies for achieving more leisure and recreation.

*What to Say and When to Say It: Making the Mass Media Work for You*

Vista II

Organizers: Diane Wysocki, University of Nebraska at Kearney, Theta Pavis, SWS Media  
Specialist, Joey Sprague, University of Kansas & Jessica Sherwood, University of Rhode Island  
Presenters: Diane Kholos Wysocki, University of Nebraska at Kearney, Meika Loe, Colgate  
University, Adina Nack, California Lutheran University, Theta Pavis, SWS Media Specialist &  
Jessica Sherwood, University of Rhode Island

From the front page to Frontline, from NPR to the blogosphere, you can't control what the media will say – but you can control what you say to the media. This workshop will help you understand how to talk to the press when they come calling. We'll offer real life experiences in dealing with journalists and editors on deadline. You'll leave with concrete ideas about targeting different types of media outlets and turning your research into attention-grabbing headlines. Get ideas from SWS members who've been there, as well as from our communications officer and media specialist.

*Feminist Teaching Portfolios for Graduate Students and Faculty*

Co-sponsored by Career Development Committee, Student Concerns

Committee, & Program Committee

Vista III

Organizers: Joya Misra, University of Massachusetts & Crystal Jackson, University of Nevada,  
Las Vegas

Presenters: Carolyn Corrado, University at Albany, SUNY, Marcia Hernandez, University of the  
Pacific & Laura West Steck, York College of Pennsylvania

In this workshop, panelists will discuss the elements of strong feminist teaching portfolios for job-seekers and for faculty going through reviews and promotions. The panel will address the elements of a successful teaching portfolio, as well as the particular issues feminist teachers may wish to address.

### **Business Meeting I**

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. El Cabrillo

**Student Happy Hour**

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. La Cantina

**Alice Rossi Tribute**

Organizers: Beth Schneider, University of California, Santa Barbara & Cindy Deitch, George Washington University

6:30-7:30 El Cabrillo

**Organized Dinners\***

7: 30 p.m. Location TBA

*\*Note: Sign up available at registration. If you'd like to sign up early, please contact Brianne Dávila at [bdavila@umail.ucsb.edu](mailto:bdavila@umail.ucsb.edu).*

**Saturday, February 6, 2010**

**Registration**

8:00 – 10:00 a.m. El Cabrillo

**Breakfast**

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. El Cabrillo

**Concurrent Sessions IV**

8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

*Gender & Society* Board Meeting La Cantina

*Committee Meetings*

Committee on Academic Justice Meeting	Cabrillo
Discrimination Committee	Vista I
Sister-to-Sister Committee	Vista II
Social Action Committee	Vista III
Awards Committee	Gazebo

**Thematic Panel Presentation**

9:45 - 11:00 a.m. “The Politics of Same-Sex Marriage” El Cabrillo  
Chair and Organizer: Verta Taylor, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Discussants: Verta Taylor, University of California, Santa Barbara & Leila Rupp, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Panelists: Mary Bernstein, University of Connecticut, Nancy Naples, University of Connecticut, Kathryn Oliviero, University of California, Los Angeles, Katrina Kimport, University of California, Santa Barbara

## **Field Trip & Luncheon: UCSB**

**Bus Travel to UCSB:** 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### **Lunch\***

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Corwin Pavilion

### **Luncheon Presentation**

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

“Between Good and Ghetto: African American Girls and Inner City Violence”

Nikki Jones, University of California, Santa Barbara

### **Campus Tours\***

#### **REEF Tour\*\***

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

UCSB

*\*Note: In the event of rain, this will be cancelled.*

*\*\*REEF Tour sign-up available at registration.*

### **Bus Travel to Mar Monte Hotel**

2:30 – 3:15 p.m.

### **Concurrent Sessions V**

3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

*Panel Presentation: Girls of Color, Intersectionality, and Agency:  
Lessons on Engaged Feminisms*

La Cantina

Panel Organizer: Lorena Garcia, University of Illinois-Chicago

Panel Discussant: Nikki Jones, University of California, Santa Barbara

Presenters: Evelyn Rodriguez, University of San Francisco, Stephanie Sears, University of San Francisco, Lorena Garcia, University of Illinois-Chicago

### *Workshops*

*Women of Color Sociologists in Dialogue*

Vista II

Co-sponsored by Sister-to-Sister Committee & Program Committee

Organizers & Presenters: Marlese Durr, Wright State University, Marcia Hernandez, University of the Pacific, Monica Lomeli, University of California, Santa Barbara

A workshop that carves a space to discuss how race, class, gender, and community shape the experiences of women of color sociologists in graduate school and en route to the professoriate.

*From Detention and Incarceration to Resistance: (Re)Imagining a Just Society*

Sponsored by the Social Action Committee

Vista III

Organizers: Jodie Lawston, DePaul University & Martha Escobar, University of California, San Diego

Presenters: Jodie Lawston, DePaul University, Martha Escobar, University of California, San Diego, Greg Prieto, University of California, Santa Barbara, Grecia Lima, PUEBLO

The workshop, “From Detention and Incarceration to Resistance: (Re)Imagining a Just Society” focuses on immigrant justice and prison abolition work. Participants examine immigration and the current immigrant rights framework, increased reliance on detention of immigrants and additionally, prison expansion. Speakers examine and provide testimony about their on-the-ground work for immigrant justice and prison abolition, the ways in which these phenomena converge, and ask the audience to imagine ways to move beyond the current punishment regime.

*Negotiating Motherhood in the Academy*

Co-sponsored by Student Concerns Committee & Program Committee El Cabrillo  
 Organizers: Crystal Jackson, University of Nevada, Las Vegas & Anna Sorenson, University of California, Santa Barbara  
 Presenters: Gladys García-López, University of California, Santa Barbara, Joya Misra, University of Massachusetts, Julie Shayne, University of Washington, Bothell, Diane Kholos Wysocki, University of Nebraska at Kearney

This practical, interactive workshop will address issues of motherhood in the academy, such as how to be a productive sociologist and balance family responsibilities--whether a graduate student or established in the workplace. We hope to create a larger dialogue that will last beyond the conference.

**Break**  
 4:45 – 5:00 p.m. Refreshments El Cabrillo

**Business Meeting II**  
 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. El Cabrillo

**Cash Bar and Auction**  
 6:30 p.m. Gazebo  
 Auctioneer: Sarah Fenstermaker, University of California, Santa Barbara

**Banquet**  
 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. El Cabrillo

**Sunday, February 7, 2010**

**Breakfast**  
 7:00 – 8:30 a.m. El Cabrillo

**Executive Council Meeting II**  
 8:00 - 9:30 a.m. Gazebo