

SUMMER SCHOOL

DIALOGUES FOR RESPONSIBLE GENDER AND QUEER STUDIES

Experiences from the South of Africa and Germany

23-24 June 2023 | Campus Haarentor
in cooperation with the Centre for Women and Gender Studies (CWGS) at Nelson Mandela University Gqeberha (South Africa)

PROGRAM

23 JUNE 2023

14:00 OPENING (A03 1-117)

PROF. DR. ALMUT HÖFERT (ZFG UOL),
DR. SYLVIA PRITSCH (ZFG UOL)

14:15-18:00 WORKSHOPS

PROF. DR. MATHABO KHAU (NMU/Teacher Education) Rethinking Sexuality Education in Higher Education Institutions: A Decolonial Approach

NAMUPA SHIVUTE (Namibia, African storyteller, researcher, journalist)

Interaktive Bildungsarbeit zum deutschen Kolonialismus in Namibia/ Interactive Educational Work on German Colonialism in Namibia

20:00 LECTURE (special venue: Oldenburgisches Staatstheater (Spielraum), Theaterwall 19)

PROF. DR. MARIA DO MAR CASTRO VARELA (ASH Berlin)
Die Kunst des Verlernens in Postkolonialen Zeiten/ The Art of Unlearning in Postcolonial Times (in German with english translation. In coop. with Koloniale Kontinuitäten Oldenburg)

Taking responsibility for an estimating and inclusive form of knowledge production that seeks to avoid discrimination and exclusion is a fundamental concern of Gender and Queer Studies. Decolonial and postcolonial approaches have examined the multiple intersections of gendered and sexualized power relations and post/neo/colonial structures. In German-speaking countries, coming to terms with the colonial past and coloniality in the present academic fields is still a demanding task after getting some attention in the recent few years. In contrast, decolonization of (higher) education became part of the state policy in South Africa, but still raises questions in regards of its implementation and concepts of postcolonial memories.

The summer school is dedicated to an exchange about the situation in South Africa, Namibia, and in German-speaking countries and will provide insights about the necessities, successful strategies and pitfalls, in addressing the power structures within the fields of Gender and Queer Studies. This includes the questioning of basic categories and their relations (like gender, intersectionality, coloniality, and responsibility) as well as the discussion of alternative epistemologies and forms of praxis. The Summer School aims to create dialogue spaces for teachers, students, and activists from the NMU and the UOL and surroundings.



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24 JUNE 2023

09:30-11:30 IMPULSE KEYNOTES + DISCUSSION (A01 0-010a)

PROF. DR. PUMLA DINEO GQOLA (NRF SA-CHAIR in African Feminist Imagination NMU)

Decolonising Gender Studies, Confronting Intellectual Apartheid

PROF. DR. JULIA WURR (UOL, Postcolonial Studies)

Postcolonial Gender Studies in German

12:00-16:00 WORKSHOPS (A03-1-117)

QHAMA NOVEVE (PdD cand., Sociology and Anthropology/ CWGS, NMU),

SIPHOKAZI TAU (Programmes Coordinator CWGS/ NMU, PhD cand. Higher Education UJ)

African Feminisms and the Impact on Higher Education Transformation

SIMRAN JUGLAL (MA Media Studies, writer), TUMI MAMPANE (PhD

cand. Communication + Media, CWGS NMU/ UJ)
Feminist Imagination and Cultural Practices in South Africa

16:30-18:00 ROUNDTABLE: Responsibility in Gender and Queer Studies (A01 0-010a)

PROF. DR. PUMLA DINEO GQOLA (NMU),

PROF. DR. MATHABO KHAU (NMU),

NAMUPA SHIVUTE (journalist),

DR. DEBORAH NYANGULU (University of Bremen),

DR. KARIN ESDERS (University of Bremen),

Moderation: KÜBRA GÜMÜŞAY (Hamburg, writer, pol. scientist)

The event is for free,
will take place in English
and snacks will be provided.



Registration
Deadline:
18 June 2023