

WINTER 2007 NEWSLETTER

President's Report by Lori Chambers

Hello everyone. Thanks to all who submitted proposals for the conference in May. The conference committee has sent out letters of acceptance, and is in the process of organizing panels and papers into an exciting program. Look for further updates in the next month or two. Remember, the conference runs from May 28-30, in Saskatoon, with meetings for program coordinators on May 27. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

The book review committee is wrapping up its work, as are the committees with regard to undergraduate and graduate essay prizes. Announcements will soon be made. Be sure to attend the book prize social at the conference. You might be the lucky one to win copies of all the nominated manuscripts!

I have been posting job ads on the listserv regularly, and please keep sending materials that you wish to share.

Have a great last quarter of the academic year!

CWSA/ACEF Conference Update by Lynda Ross, Program Committee Chair

It has been a busy few months for the CWSA Conference Organizing Committee [Rhiannon Bury, Selena Crosson, Marie Lovrod (LAC), Stephanie Paterson, Lynda Ross (Chair)]! Our call for papers (deadline December 15th) resulted in many wonderful submissions (panels and individual papers) in response to our three conference themes: Women's Studies as Knowledge Communities; Bridging and Negotiations, and Mediated Knowledges; and Knowledge Productions. We spent the latter part of December and early January adjudicating the submissions. Acceptance letters have been sent out (or will shortly be on their way) to all of the prospective presenters. To aid in the programme development, the organizing committee is hoping that prospective participants, if they haven't already done so, will renew CWSA/ACEF memberships, confirm attendance, send in brief abstracts, and put in technology requests promptly. The organizing committee is in the initial stages of crafting the programme and judging from the quality of the proposed papers and panels, it is shaping up to be an exciting conference! In addition to the thirty or so concurrent sessions planned for the three days of the conference (May 28 – May 30, 2007), the organizing committee has been working on confirming a stimulating array of keynote speakers, workshops, and panels.

Dr. Elizabeth Jameson will be the keynote speaker for our Interdisciplinary Session, organized in conjunction with the Canadian Historical Association (CHA). A feminist historian, Dr. Jameson will be talking about women's stories and their place in historical narratives. We will update other keynotes and panels as they are confirmed. In addition, the CWSA will be co-sponsoring an evening film session – *Finding Dawn* – with speaker Christine Welsh. The CWSA executive are planning a "brown-bag" luncheon workshop on the topic of "Teaching Introduction to Women's Studies" as well as a graduate student luncheon. Other conference events will include the CWSA Book Prize announcement and presentation and a walking tour of Saskatoon is being organized for our members. A

reminder to all coordinators, that the pre-conference Annual Coordinators meeting will take place on Sunday, May 27th and the programme is being organized by the CWSA/ACEF executive around the theme of "Core Training: Shaping Women's Studies." The Congress has set aside May 29th as "Women's Day" and Camilla Gibb is the invited featured speaker for this event. May 30th has been set aside as "Aboriginal Day." We are awaiting confirmation of the featured speaker for that event. The Congress will also be hosting the evening President's Reception. A reminder that March 31st is the deadline for early registration! We look forward to seeing all of our members in Saskatoon and will continue to update you as the programme progresses.

Job Postings

1. Lakehead University

Tenure track appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor, commencing August 1, 2007, Department of Women's Studies, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay Ont.

Areas of specialization: women and the law; sexuality and popular culture; and global feminisms. A completed PhD is required. This position is subject to budgetary approval. Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a statement of their teaching and research interests (including course outlines and teaching evaluations from previously-taught courses), copies of publications, and letters from three referees to: Dr. Laurie S. Hayes, Vice-President (Academic) and Provost, Lakehead University, 955 Oliver Road, Thunder Bay, ON P7B 5E1, email: admin@lakeheadu.ca.

For further information, please contact Dr. Pam Wakewich, Chair, Department of Women's Studies, at (807) 343-8353

2. Memorial University

Women's Studies Program appointment at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. Areas of specialization might include feminist epistemology, methodology, queer theory, masculinities, feminist political theory, theories of difference, or those which otherwise complement program strengths. Submit applications to Dr. Reeta Tremblay, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Room #A4049, Arts and Administration Building, Memorial University, St. John's, NL, A1C 5S7, Phone: (709) 737-8254; Fax: (709) 737-2135; accompanied by current curriculum vitae, a teaching dossier, a research dossier, and the names and addresses of three persons who can supply a letter of reference. Applications should reach the Dean, Faculty of Arts, no later than March 15, 2007.

3. Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto

Contractually Limited Position in the area of Anti-racist and Feminist Studies in Education
Areas of specialization: graduate courses in critical sociology of race, the politics of feminism, anti-racism and resistance, as well as theories of globalization, transnationalism and migration. The person hired will also teach one half course (School and Society) in the Initial Teacher Education program. Candidates working with intersectional feminist, anti-racist, post/anti-colonial and/or critical sociology perspectives will be preferred.

The appointment will be at the rank of Lecturer and will begin July 1, 2007. Applications [in hard copy] should include a curriculum vitae, a writing sample, and materials relevant to teaching experience. Candidates should arrange to have three letters of reference sent

directly to: Professor Kari Dehli, Associate Chair, Department of Sociology and Equity Studies in Education, OISE/UT, 252 Bloor St West, Toronto, ON M5S 1V6; tel: 416.923.6641 ext 2271; fax: 416. 926.4751. Applications and letters of reference must be received by March 9, 2007.

4. Thorneloe University (federated with Laurentian University)

Department of Women's Studies invites applications for a tenure track appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor, beginning August 1, 2007. Area of research is open, but expertise in postcolonialism, transnationalism, globalization, race and anti-racism is an asset. Thorneloe is a small undergraduate college where dedication to excellence in teaching is expected. Applicants should send a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, teaching evaluations (if available), and arrange for three letters of reference to: Dr Susanne Luhmann, Chair, Department of Women's Studies, Thorneloe University Ramsey Lake Road Sudbury, On P3E 2C6 The review of applications will begin on March 21, 2007 and continue until the position is filled.

5. University of Toronto

The Women and Gender Studies Institute, University of Toronto, invites applications for a one-year term appointment (non-renewable) at the rank of Lecturer, to begin July 1, 2007 and end June 30, 2008.

The successful candidate will teach courses at the undergraduate level in feminist theory and post-colonial studies, in addition to their own area(s) of expertise and other areas such as health, disability studies, and cultural studies. It is expected that this person will have some involvement in course coordination, teaching assistant supervision and administrative duties.

The successful applicant will have a Ph.D. completed or near completion in Women and Gender Studies or equivalent, an excellent scholarly record and demonstrated excellence in teaching. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Additional information on the Department can be obtained through the World Wide Web at <http://www.utoronto.ca/wgsi/>

Applications will be accepted until March 15, 2007. Applicants should provide a covering letter with a curriculum vitae and an outline of their teaching experience, and arrange for three letters of reference to be sent directly by the referees under separate cover. Applications should be addressed to: Professor Alison Keith, Acting Director, Women and Gender Studies Institute, University of Toronto, 40 Willcocks Street, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA M5S 1C6

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, members of sexual minority groups, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.