

A Workshop at the University of Wisconsin–Madison

March 19 & 20, 2010

The Pyle Center Auditorium
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About the Workshop

This workshop features cutting edge work that engages with or adopts a gendered approach to the study of human security, i.e., threats to people's livelihood, well-being and bodily integrity resulting, for example, from conflict of all kinds, environmental degradation, the spread of infectious diseases, massive population movements, economic decline, food insecurity, and physical violence.

Although conventional notions of security have tended to focus on protecting states from external attack, the concept of human security looks at a broader range of insecurities that individuals and communities face in the context of violence, whether interpersonal, intergroup or international. Perspectives on gender through the lens of human security — rather than or in addition to rights-based or empowerment-centered frames — may raise new questions or offer different strategic choices.

Faculty co-leaders

- **Christina Ewig**
(Gender & Women's Studies and Political Science)
- **Myra Marx Ferree**
(Sociology)
- **Aili Mari Tripp**
(Director, Center for Research on Gender & Women, Political Science, and Gender & Women's Studies)

Conference organizer: Wendy M. Christensen

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Workshop Schedule

Friday, March 19

8:00 - 8:45: Meeting Registration

8:45 - 9:00: Welcoming Remarks, Pyle Center Auditorium

9:00 - 10:30: Panel 1

Economic Support, Interpersonal Violence & Women's Wellbeing

- **Keera Allendorf** (University of Michigan): *Family Relationships and Women's Well-Being in India*
 - **Rae Blumberg** (University of Virginia): *Dangerous Money: Gender, Globalization and Well-being in Ecuador, Laos and Ukraine – and Can Health/Survival be Socio-economic Rights?*
 - **Lisa Brush** (University of Pittsburgh): *Housing and Hunger as Security Issues for Battered Women*
- Discussant: Gay Seidman** (UW–Madison)

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 - 12:15: Panel 2

Macro-Violence, Livelihood & Land

- **Isabel Casimiro** (Eduardo Mondlane University, Mozambique): *Women's Rights, Control and Access to Land: National Experiences, Priorities, and Lessons Learned in Mozambique*
- **Elizabeth Stites** (Tufts University): *Livelihoods and Masculinity under Contestation: Linkages to Violence in Karamoja, Uganda*

- **Mangala Subramaniam** (Purdue University): *State, Security and Women's Rights in Afghanistan: Local and Transnational Discourse*

Discussant: Susana Lastarria-Cornhiel (UW–Madison)

12:15 - 1:30 Organized Lunch

1:30 - 3:00: Student Panels

Sex, Bodies & Borders: Room 112

- **Stephanie Chaban** (Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces): *Why Palestinian Women and Girls Do Not Feel Secure: Findings from an Assessment*
- **Hae Yeon Choo** (UW–Madison): *The Subject of Migrant Women: The State, the NPOs, and the Gendered Production of Incorporation Regimes in South Korea*
- **Edith Kinney** (University of California–Berkeley): *Securitizing Sex, Bodies, and Borders: Feminist Governance, Strategic Framing, and the Politics of Rights in Thailand's War Against Human Trafficking*

Discussants: Katharine Moon and **Carol Mueller**

Gender & Post-Conflict Violence: Room 205

- **Elizabeth Holzer**: *When the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is Mother*
- **Laura Heideman**: *Building Civil Society, Building Peace: NGOs and Human Security in the Post-War Moment*
- **Peace Medie**: *Combating Post-Conflict Violence against Women: An Analysis of the Liberian and Sierra Leonean Governments' Efforts to Address the Problem*
- **Dörte Rempel**: *The Interplay of Gender Based Violence and Human Insecurity in Post-war Liberia*

Discussants: Narda Henríquez and **Valerie Sperling**

Law & Justice: Room 220

- **Chaitanya Lakkimsetti**: *Sexing Security: Globalization, Biopolitics, and Law in Postcolonial India*
- **Taylor Price**: *Examining the Role of Traditional Leaders in Namibia's Anti-Gender-Based Violence Movement*
- **Shannon Walsh**: *Uneasy Alliances: Women's Organizations, Police, and Women's Security in Developing Regimes*

Discussants: Karen Engle and Lisa Brush

3:00-3:15 Snack break

3:15-5:00: Panel 3

Gendered Violence in War Zones

- **Narda Henríquez** (Catholic University, Peru): *Violence and Rape: Gender and Ethnicity in the Conflict and Post-Conflict in Peru*
- **Valerie Sperling** (Clark University): *Private Military Contractors, Peacekeepers, and the Sexual Exploitation of Women in Conflict Zones*
- **Aili Mari Tripp** (UW-Madison): *Legislating Gender Based Violence in Post-Conflict Africa*

Discussant: Katharine Moon (Wellesley College)

5:00-7:00

Reception for all attendees

Pyle Center Alumni Lounge

Saturday, March 20

9:00-10:30: Panel 4

The Economics of Law & Justice

- **Carol Mueller** (Arizona State University): *A Confluence of Insecurities: Trade, Drugs, Guns and Border Femicide*
- **V. Spike Peterson** (University of Arizona): *Global Economies and/as Human Insecurities*
- **Ellie Schemenauer** (UW-Whitewater): *Human Security and International Illicit Drug Trafficking: Women Drug Couriers in the Americas*

Discussant: Myra Marx Ferree (UW–Madison)

10:30-10:45: Coffee break

10:45-12:30: Panel 5

War, Violence & International Accountability

- **Karen Engle** (University of Texas School of Law): *Queering Human Security*
- **Natalie Hudson** (University of Dayton): *Resolution 1325 and Security Sector Reform: Legal and Institutional Challenges for UN and EU Peace Operations*
- **Fionnuala D. Ní Aoláin** (University of Minnesota Law School): *Gender, Accountability and the Post-Conflict Terrain*
- **Annick Wibben** (University of San Francisco): *The Illusion of Human Security*

Discussant: Helen Kinsella (UW–Madison)

Participant Biographies

Keera Allendorf is a Postdoctoral Fellow in the Population Studies Center at the University of Michigan. She received her doctorate in sociology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and was a Fulbright Fellow in India. Dr. Allendorf has also worked at the International Center for Research on Women and the Social Development Unit in South Asia at the World Bank. Her research focuses on the intersections of demography, gender, and family in South Asia. Much of her work has explored the determinants and consequences of women's agency. Currently, she is focusing on family relations, household structure, and family formation, including examining how these structures are changing over time and their links to well-being.

Rae Lesser Blumberg is the William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Sociology at the University of Virginia. She received her Ph.D. from Northwestern in 1970 and joined the Sociology Department at the University of Virginia in 1998. She is also Professor Emerita of Sociology at the University of California, San Diego. Her academic work revolves around two theories. First is a general theory of gender stratification found in such works as *Stratification: Socioeconomic and Sexual Inequality* (Wm. C Brown, 1978); "A General Theory of Gender Stratification" (*Sociological Theory* 1984); and *Gender, Family, and Economy: The Triple Overlap* (Sage 1991). The second is an evolving theory of gender and economic development as described in such works as "Making the Case for the Gender Variable: Women and the Wealth and Well-being of Nations (U.S.A.I.D. 1989) and *EnGENDERing Wealth and Well-being: Empowerment for Global Change*, edited by Blumberg, Cathy Rakowski, Irene Tinker and Michael Monteon, (Westview, 1995). Largely in pursuit of her theories, she has worked in over 40 countries on every continent except Antarctica.

Lisa D. Brush is Associate Professor at the University of Pittsburgh, where she conducts research on poverty, battering, work, welfare, and the state. She teaches a variety of graduate and undergraduate courses in sociology, women's studies, and cultural studies. She practices French horn and Iyengar yoga.

Isabel Casimiro is a feminist scholar and activist, based at the Centre of African Studies, Eduardo Mondlane University, Maputo, Mozambique since 1980. She is co-founder of WLSA (Women and Law in Southern Africa Research Trust) Regional (1988) and WLSA Mozambique (1990), its

first national coordinator from 1990-1995 and founder of the Department of Women and Gender Studies at the Centre of African Studies (1990). She is also a member of various feminist organizations in Mozambique including Fórum Mulher (Woman's Forum) a network of about 80 organizations on women human's rights. She is also co-founder of Cruzeiro do Sul - Instituto de Investigação para o Desenvolvimento José Negrão (Southern Cross - José Negrão Research Institute for Development, 1998). She was a member of Parliament on behalf of Frelimo Party during 1984-89, after the first multy party elections. She wrote "'Peace on Earth and War at Home,' Feminism and Women Organizations in Mozambique" (2004); and recently "African Women's Movements. Changing Political Landscapes," organized by Aili Mari Tripp, with Joy Kwesiga and Alice Mungwa (2009).

Stephanie Chaban is working as a Project Manager in the Ramallah Office of the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF) Office with the Palestinian Women and Security Project. She is the co-author of the DCAF publication, "Palestinian Women and Security: Why Palestinian Women and Girls Do Not Feel Secure." Stephanie's research and work experience have specifically focused on Palestinian women and gender-based violence. Prior to joining DCAF, she was the Program Manager at the Palestinian Women's Research and Documentation Center. Before moving to Ramallah, she worked in the United States as a victim advocate with civilian and military families experiencing relationship violence. Stephanie holds a M.A. in Women's Studies.

Hae Yeon Choo is a doctoral candidate in Sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her research interests include migration, citizenship, race-class-gender, sociology of culture, and ethnography. Her previous works include "Practicing Intersectionality in Sociological Research" (in *Sociological Theory*, forthcoming 2010)(with Myra Marx Ferree) and "Gendered Modernity and Ethnicized Citizenship: North Korean Settlers in South Korea" (in *Gender & Society*, 2006), and she is a translator of Patricia Hill Collins's Black Feminist Thought to Korean (2009). She was awarded the Fulbright scholarship (2004-6) and the Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship (2008-9). Currently, she is writing her dissertation, an ethnographic examination of citizenship in practice in the experiences of Filipina migrant women in relation to the South Korean state and civil society.

Wendy M. Christensen is a doctoral candidate in Sociology at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Wendy's interests include sociology of gender, sociology of culture, qualitative methods, social theory (classical, contemporary and feminist), war and the military, discourse analysis, internet technology, and communications. Her dissertation, *Mobilizing Military Motherhood: Negotiating Support, Activism and Politics in the U.S. War on Terrorism*, uses theories of gender, discourse, and political mobilization to analyze the experiences of mothers of members of the U.S. Armed Forces. Her publications include “Technological boundaries: Defining the Personal and the Political in Military Mothers' Online Support Forums” (*Women's Studies Quarterly: Special Issue on Technology* 2009) and “Cowboy of the World? Gender Discourse and the Iraq War Debate” with Myra Marx Ferree (*Qualitative Sociology: Special Issue on Political Violence* 2009). She is currently working on a paper that builds on the work of feminist sociologist Dorothy Smith to suggest a framework for studying Web 2.0 technologies.

Karen Engle is Cecil D. Redford Professor in Law at The University of Texas School of Law, and founding director of the Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice. She is also an affiliated faculty member of Latin American Studies and of Gender and Women's Studies, and is a Senior Fellow at the Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law. She teaches courses and specialized seminars in public international law, international human rights law and employment discrimination. Professor Engle writes and lectures extensively on international human rights law. Her recent works include “The Force of Shame” (in *Rethinking Rape Law*, forthcoming 2010)(with Annelies Lottmann), “Judging Sex in War” (*Michigan Law Review*, 2008), “Calling in the Troops: The Uneasy Relationship Among Human Rights, Women's Rights and Humanitarian Intervention” (*Harvard Human Rights Journal*, 2007), and “Feminism and Its (Dis)contents: Criminalizing War-Time Rape in Bosnia and Herzegovina” (*American Journal of International Law*, 2005). Her book, *The Elusive Promise of Indigenous Development: Rights, Culture, Strategy*, is forthcoming by Duke University Press in 2010. Professor Engle received a Bellagio Residency Fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation (2009) and is a Fulbright Senior Specialist.

Yakin Ertürk, who holds a PhD in development sociology from Cornell University, is a professor of sociology and the head of the Gender and Women's Studies Programme at the Middle East Technical University (METU) in Ankara, Turkey. She also taught at the Centre for Girls, at King

Saud University in Riyadh from 1979 to 1982 and from 1979 to 1981 served as its chair. Between 1997 and 1999 she was director of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) for the United Nations in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. She then served as director of the UN Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW) at its headquarters in New York from 1999 to 2001. In August 2003, she was appointed special rapporteur for the United Nations Commission on Human Rights on violence against women, its causes and consequences, a post she occupied until December 2009. She was elected by the ministers of the Council of Europe to serve a four-year term in the European Committee on the Prevention of Torture (CPT). Ertürk has worked for many national and international agencies on rural development and women in development projects. Her academic areas of interest include: international human rights regimes; identity politics, conflict and violence against women; globalization and population movements; household labor use patterns; and women in development.

Christina Ewig teaches courses on gender and politics, global feminisms, comparative gender and welfare policy and Latin American politics. Her research centers on gender, race and class and social policy in Latin America. Her forthcoming book analyses the politics of neoliberal health sector reforms and their impacts on women's lives in Peru. Her second project, entitled “Gendered Paradigms of Neoliberalism” consists of a series of articles that compare the politics of health sector reforms and their effects on gender equity in Peru, Mexico, Colombia and Chile. In addition to contributions to edited volumes, she has published articles in the *Latin American Research Review*, *Social Politics*, *Feminist Studies* and *Social Science & Medicine*. Her research has been supported by a Fulbright New Century Scholars award and a Rockefeller residential fellowship.

Myra Marx Ferree is the Martindale-Bascom Professor of Sociology and Director of the Center for German and European Studies at the University of Wisconsin, where she is also a member of the Women's Studies Program. Her recent books include *Global Feminisms: Transnational Women's Organizing, Activism, and Human Rights* (co-edited with Aili Mari Tripp, NYU Press, 2006) and *Shaping Abortion Discourse: Democracy and the Public Sphere in Germany and the US* (with William A. Gamson, Jürgen Gerhards and Dieter Rucht, Cambridge University Press, 2002). In 2005 she was a Berlin Prize Fellow at the American Academy in Berlin and

in 2004 the Maria-Jahoda Visiting Professor at the Ruhr University Bochum. She has written numerous articles about feminist organizations and politics in the US, Germany and internationally, as well as about gender inequality in families, the inclusion of gender in sociological theory and practice, and the intersections of gender with race and class. She has been the recipient of the Jessie Bernard Award (sociology's highest honor for work in gender), vice-president of the American Sociological Association and deputy editor of its leading journal, president of Sociologists for Women in Society and recipient of its mentoring and feminist scholarship awards. Her current work focuses on comparisons between US and German feminist movements and gender policy developments since the 1960s as well as the development of feminist identities in transnational women's organizations.

Laura J. Heideman is a Ph.D. candidate in the Sociology department at University of Wisconsin—Madison. Her dissertation examines the peacebuilding apparatus in Croatia in the aftermath of the breakup of Yugoslavia. She finds that in Croatia, peacebuilding occurred under the guise of civil society building projects, and that this approach to peacebuilding raises important questions about accountability, responsibility, and power relationships in the aftermath of conflicts. This research was funded by a Fulbright fellowship and a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship. Heideman has long-term interests in post-conflict studies, development studies, and political sociology. She has done previous research on the long-term reintegration of guerrilla ex-combatants in South Africa.

Narda Henríquez is a Peruvian sociologist with a long trajectory in the areas of social change and poverty studies, and gender studies. Dr. Henríquez is a professor at the Catholic University of Peru (PUC), Peru's leading university and one of the 500 best universities in the world according to European ranking systems (The Higher Education Chronicle of The Times, 2003). Dr. Henríquez was one of the founders of the first women's studies program (also at her university) and has produced several books on issues of social and political change. She was a major gender consultant to the Commission on Truth and Reconciliation. Dr. Henríquez is the current president of the Peruvian Association of Sociologists.

Elizabeth Holzer is a PhD Candidate in Sociology and Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellow at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her research

explores political engagement during humanitarian interventions. Her dissertation focuses on the repression of social protests among Liberian refugees in the Buduburam Refugee Camp, Ghana (2006-2008).

Natalie Florea Hudson received her Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Connecticut and is an Assistant Professor at the University of Dayton. She specializes in gender and international relations, the politics of human rights, international security studies, and international law and organization. Her work has appeared the following academic journals: *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Human Rights*, *International Journal*, *Simulation and Gaming*, and *Global Change, Peace and Security*. Her book, *Gender, Human Security and the UN: Security Language as a Political Framework for Women* (Routledge, 2009) examines the organizational dynamics of women's activism in the United Nations system and how women have come to embrace and been impacted by the security framework, locally and globally. Dr. Hudson has also done some consulting work related to gender mainstreaming and UN Security Council Resolution 1325 for the European Union and the United Nations.

Edith Kinney is a Doctoral Candidate in the Jurisprudence & Social Policy program at the University of California, Berkeley, and also holds a J.D. from Berkeley Law. Her research interests include law & social movements, feminist legal theory, and the politics and ethics of feminist advocacy. She spent a year in Thailand as a Fulbright Fellow researching the operation of taskforces combating human trafficking and sexual exploitation, as well as the work of advocacy networks addressing the rights of migrants, ethnic minorities, and sex workers. In addition to her dissertation project, Edith is currently working on a World Health Organization research project mapping global laws affecting sexual health and sexual rights.

Helen M. Kinsella is an assistant professor in the Political Science Department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her research and teaching interests include contemporary political theory, feminist theories, international law, especially international humanitarian and human rights, armed conflict, and especially gender and armed conflict. She is a graduate of University of Minnesota-Minneapolis and prior to her appointment at Wisconsin held pre and post doctoral fellowships at, respectively, Harvard University and Stanford University. Her book manuscript entitled "The image before the weapon: a critical history of

the 'combatant' and 'civilian' in international law and politics" is under contract to Cornell University Press.

Chaitanya Lakkimsetti is a doctoral candidate in the department of Sociology at UW-Madison. Her dissertation research is a comparative study of contestations around state regulation of homosexuality and sex work in contemporary postcolonial India. Her research interests are broadly in transnational feminisms, postcolonial studies, and sexuality.

Susana Lastarria-Cornhiel is a sociologist who has worked on international development issues throughout her career. She contributes to the Urban and Regional Planning Department's international development planning program and currently offers a course on international development and gender. Her current research focuses on gender and land rights, particularly the impact of land rights on women's status, economic opportunities, and well being. Prior to joining URPL in mid-2004, Dr. Lastarria-Cornhiel worked as senior researcher at the Land Tenure Center, the leading university-based research institution on land policy in the world. She maintains a research affiliation with the Center, and her past policy-oriented research focused on issues of property privatization, land markets, land conflicts, and gender in Latin America, sub-Saharan Africa, and Eastern Europe. She is also an affiliate of the Women's Studies Program. Dr. Lastarria-Cornhiel regularly collaborates with international development agencies such as the World Bank, USAID, Ford Foundation, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), and other United Nations divisions such as Habitat and Division for the Advancement of Women. Her recent publications include: *The Women of Isoso: Livelihoods, Governance and Natural Resources in the Gran Chaco, Bolivia* (2008), *Feminization of Agriculture: Trends and Driving Forces* (2006), and *Shared Tenure Options for Women: A Global Overview* (2005).

Peace A. Medie is a doctoral student at the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA) and specializes in security and development policy. Currently, her research focuses on violence against women in post-conflict states. She plans to conduct field research over the summer on the framing of violence against women and how this affects the policy process. She is currently a research assistant at the Ford Institute of Human Security at the University of Pittsburgh and has worked on projects in the areas of transnational agenda setting and women's business participation in the United States. Peace has received a fellowship from the American

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Katharine H.S. Moon is Professor in the Department of Political Science at Wellesley College. Moon received her B.A. from Smith College, *magna cum laude*, and her Ph.D. from Princeton University, Department of Politics. Moon is the author of *Sex Among Allies: Military Prostitution in U.S.-Korea Relations* (Columbia University, 1997; Korean edition by Sam-in Publishing Co., 2002) and other publications on the U.S.-Korea alliance and social movements in Korea and Asia (e.g. democratization, women's movements, migrant workers, human rights). They are available in edited volumes and academic journals such as *Asian Survey* and *The Journal of Asian Studies* and Korean publications such as *Changjak gwa Bipyeong*, and *Dangdae Bipyeong*. Currently, Moon is completing a book manuscript *Protesting America, Pursuing Democracy: Korean Civil Society in Alliance Politics* (forthcoming, GAIA/University of California Press). Moon received a Fulbright Senior Research Fellowship in 2002 to conduct field research in Korea on this subject and was a visiting scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and the Sigur Center for Asian Studies at the George Washington University in 2002-03.

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Fionnuala D. Ní Aoláin is concurrently the Dorsey & Whitney Chair in Law at the University of Minnesota Law School and a Professor of Law at the University of Ulster's Transitional Justice Institute in Belfast, Northern Ireland. She is co-founder and Associate Director of the Institute. Professor Ní Aoláin received her LL.B. and Ph.D. in law at the Queen's University Law Faculty in Belfast, Northern Ireland. She also holds an LL.M. degree from Columbia Law School. Professor Ní Aoláin was a Visiting Professor at the University of Minnesota Law School in 2003-04. Her teaching and research interests are in the fields of international law,

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Elizabeth Stites is a Senior Researcher in Conflict and Livelihoods at the Feinstein International Center, Tufts University. Her work focuses on the effects of conflict on civilian livelihoods, and ways in which communities, households and individuals adapt or change their livelihood strategies in conflict environments and the repercussions of these changes. She is particularly interested in the shifts that occur within households and how these changes are experienced by different genders and generations. At the policy level, Ms. Stites is interested in the effects of international and national policies on community-based livelihood and coping strategies. Her work on livelihoods began with three years of research on post-apartheid land restitution in South Africa in the 1990s, and she has also worked in Zambia, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Afghanistan and Bosnia. Since 2005 she has focused on Uganda,

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Mangala Subramaniam is Associate Professor of Sociology at Purdue University. Her primary areas are gender, social movements including transnational women's movements, and research methods. Her monograph, *The Power of Women's Organizing: Gender, Caste, and Class in India (2006)* focuses on the women's movement in India with specific attention to *dalit* women's organizing. She is currently working on a book on social movements (local, national and transnational contexts) forthcoming through Cambridge University Press. Her ongoing research projects focus on socio-cultural scripting in dissemination of information about HIV/AIDS in India and community resistances to the privatization of water resources in the context of globalization.

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