Call for Proposals

Call for Proposals for themed Encounter and Workshop related to the topics of Gender and Diversity
Academic Year 2016—2017

General Information

The workgroup of the Centre for Gender Studies of the University of Groningen aims to organize an encounter or double-lecture as well as a workshop on a common theme related to gender and diversity each semester of the academic year. The intention is to provide a broad and interdisciplinary platform for University staff and students to present their current research related to topics in gender and diversity. Preference is given to those themes that address gender and diversity from an intersectional perspective.

With this call for papers we want to encourage researchers from all faculties of the RUG, or those beyond the university*, to submit a proposal for a theme, including the envisioned content and/or speakers at the encounter and workshop (for more information, see below). Based on the proposals, the workgroup, in cooperation with the board of the Centre for Gender Studies, will select appropriate themes and help to facilitate the organization of the events.

*all proposals should include at least one staff member from the University of Groningen.

Encounter & Workshop

Each semester covers events related to one theme. The general programme is envisioned as follows: an introductory encounter between two researchers, which is followed by a workshop somewhat later. Proposals should cover both events.

The encounter facilitates a meeting between two researchers, and functions as an introductory event to the workshop. One speaker should be from the University of Groningen while the other can be from elsewhere in the Netherlands, provided they work on a similar theme. Each speaker will give a presentation on the proposed topic for about 20-30 minutes. Afterwards a commentator will respond to both lectures and open the floor for discussion.

The workshop (a half-day or one-day event) is meant as an event for further engagement with the proposed theme. The programme and content of the workshop is open for interpretation, depending on the theme, but should preferably include a hands-on session that could bring together senior and junior researchers as well as (research) master students. The workshop might involve a keynote speaker and several shorter lectures. If possible, it should also include a training component that might make it eligible for ECTS through one of the (national) graduate schools. Again, those proposals bringing in staff from the University of Groningen are preferred.

Due to the (co-)organisation of the events by the Centre for Gender Studies, at least one of the lecturers in the encounter has to be from the University of Groningen. The other two parties can be from elsewhere. For the
works hop, preference is similarly given to those proposals that involve staff from the University of Groningen. Preference is given to those proposals that include junior researchers (PhD, post-doc).

**Practical Information**

Please email your proposal as an attached work or PDF document to genderstudies@rug.nl by 15 November 2016.

Proposals (max. 1500 words) should include the following:

- A brief description of the envisioned theme, its relevance, and its relation to gender, diversity and/or intersectionality;
- Proposed speakers for the encounter;
- Proposed programme for the workshop (including speakers);
- A budget outline;
- Envisioned possibilities for cooperation with national graduate schools or other networks*

*The workshop of the Centre for Gender Studies will help facilitate the events, which includes contacting speakers, arranging venues, publicity, and aid in applying for external funds. We cannot, however, guarantee full funding for all types of events, which is why additional information about envisioned (funding) partners such as national graduate schools is a pre. Moreover, these networks will facilitate publicity.

For an example of a successful encounter and workshop, see the events related to the biographical archive on the page of the Gender Studies Centre: [http://www.rug.nl/research/centrums/biographical/events/](http://www.rug.nl/research/centrums/biographical/events/)