

October 2015



## Women's Studies Newsletter

#### Welcome back...

We're set for another dynamic year in Women's Studies! You'll see some new Faculty and Instructors bringing their energy to the program, and we encourage you stop in and say hello.

If you're new to Thunder Bay or the University, welcome. We're very pleased to have you in our classes, and come talk to me if you have any questions about the program, University Services, or University life in general. Take advantage of all the great things Thunder Bay and Lakehead have to offer, like outdoor activities, delicious pancakes, and on-campus student activities and centres such as the GIC and Pride (and more).

Our website lists upcoming events and program news, so check it regularly. Once again, welcome back, or for the first time, and remember that my door is open.

Dr. Jenny Roth, Chair



# Women's Studies & Gender Studies Student Association!!!

The purpose of the WGSSA is to provide and promote a safe and welcoming space for the students in or interested in Women's Studies programs. We seek to build bridges between undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as the professors. We are an inclusive group and hope to facilitate a safe and fun space to students regardless of race, gender, sex, class, sexual orientation, religion, etc.

For more information, please contact:

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Why take Women's Studies?

75-80% of jobs require a Social Sciences or Humanities degree—we cover both

Integrative feminism—what we teach in each of our classes—is the Diversity knowledge now required as a Core Competency for Ontario Public Sector Workers-we're the only Dept. that trains you

Award-winning, accessible, Faculty teaching smaller classes

### Introducing WS New Grad Coordinator—Dr. Lori Chambers



Dr. Lori Chambers is the new Coordinator of the Women's Studies Collaborative MA/Med/MSW Programs. She teaches the theory portion of our graduate course as well as undergraduate courses in queer theory, the history of women and the law, contemporary legal issues, and women, crime and criminal justice. She is the author of a number of books, articles

and book chapters. Her research interests and publications include: legal history, particularly property law, adoption and child welfare; food systems in the Indigenous parth; domestic violence and police responses; responses to the

north; domestic violence and police responses; responses to the niqab in Canada; and intersexed bodies and elite sport. Her door (RB 2016) is always open and she would be happy to discuss any questions about the graduate program.



#### **WS Contract Lecturer's 2015-2016**

The department of Women's Studies is pleased to welcome Jan Oakley and Holly Morgan to our contract teaching team this year! Jan has been involved with our Department and the Faculty of Education for many years. She is currently the International Initiatives Coordinator for Education. Although Holly is a new instructor to the Department, she did her Women's Studies MA Specialization with us, and is currently finishing her PhD from Westfalische-Universitat, Germany, where she received a research fellowship.

Welcome Jan and Holly!!

#### **Congratulations to Elizabeth Stafford**

Congratulations to Elizabeth in her new role as LU's Acting Vice-Provost Institutional Planning and Analysis, which she holds until December 2015, as well as for her work as Treasurer on the Board of Directors for the Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women.

Elizabeth developed close ties with Women's Studies as a Master's student in Business. Her project was co-supervised by Women's Studies' Dr. Helen Smith (d.2012), and Elizabeth played a key role in our Master's class.



#### Welcome Dr. Jennifer Chisholm!

Jen is a recent PhD graduate and an enthusiastic teacher. She is newly appointed in the Department and is looking forward to getting to know the community and exploring beautiful Thunder Bay. Jen's research lies in the role technology plays in women's reproductive experiences. She is deeply passionate about

creating and engaging supportive networks for women around their reproductive choices. Jen is looking forward to teaching WS 1100 Introduction to Women's Studies, and WS 2113 Women, Popular Culture and Counter-Culture during the Fall 2015 semester.



#### Where to find us:

Dr. Jenny Roth (Chair) RB2014 - Thursday 1:30-3 pm or by appointment <u>iroth@lakeheadu.ca</u>
Dr. Lori Chambers (Grad Coordinator) RB2016- By appointment <u>lori.chambers@lakeheadu.ca</u>
Dr. Jennifer Chisholm RB 2011 - Tuesday & Thursday 11:30am-1pm
Holly Morgan RB 2039 - Tuesday & Thursday 10am-12pm & 1-2:15pm
Jan Oakley BL1027 - by appointment - joakley@lakeheadu.ca

Women's Studies Main Office:
Melissa Hrabok—Administrative Assistant
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9am-12:30pm

#### Other Services on Campus

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTRE

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SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & LOANS

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STUDENT HEALTH & COUNSELLING

 $\underline{https://www.lakeheadu.ca/current-students/student-services/tb/health-and-counselling}$ 

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## Women's Studies Scholarships & Bursaries

#### HELEN SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD, Min. \$500

The top WOME 1100 student who is a declared Women's Studies Major. You can add to your Major at any time via the Registrar.

MILLIE BARRETT MEMORIAL AWARD \$550

PEGGY TRIPP MEMORIAL WOMEN'S STUDIES STUDENT AWARD \$500

BURSARIES x2: Applications due October 15,

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