



Conference announcement and call for abstracts:

GENDER AND SEXUALITIES

REVISIONING DRUG AND ALCOHOL RESEARCH

Centre for Alcohol & Drug Research, Aarhus University, Denmark
October 10-12, 2012

Gender has long been a central feature in research on drugs and alcohol. Numerous studies have examined the extent to which men and women exhibit different alcohol and illicit drug consumption patterns. However, in spite of the importance of gender differences in research on alcohol and illicit drugs, contemporary research on gender and substance use has been slow to incorporate new theoretical developments currently taking place in gender studies in sociology, anthropology, cultural studies, human/cultural geography and criminology.

The aim of this conference is to examine these new developments within gender studies and explore their potential usefulness for socio-cultural research on gender and alcohol and drug consumption. For example, what are the possible contributions of contemporary theories of materiality, intersectionality or embodiment to alcohol and drug research? How are notions of masculinity and femininity constructed, experienced and acted out in alcohol and drug consumption? How do women and men “do gender” today through their alcohol and drug using practices?

Invitation

Interested participants are invited to submit abstracts that are clearly related to the aims of the conference and adopt a theoretical approach to analyzing gender issues within alcohol and drug research. Potential papers, which examine and discuss empirical data are also most welcome, but must include a theoretical and analytical perspective.

Our aim is to attract researchers at different career levels, as well as more established researchers both from within the alcohol and drug fields as well as related research areas.

Keynote speakers

- Dorte Marie Søndergaard, Professor, Aarhus University, Denmark
- Jody Miller, Professor, Rutgers School of Criminal Justice, Newark, USA
- Gill Valentine, Professor, School of Geography, University of Leeds, UK
- Anna Bredström, Postdoc, Linköping University, Sweden
- Elisabeth Ettorre, Emeritus Professor, School of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Liverpool, UK

Deadlines and fee

Deadline for submission of abstracts is **June 1st**. Max length of abstracts is 300 words. The abstracts should be sent to genderconference@crf.au.dk.

NB: Presenters must be willing to submit a full paper before the conference.

The participation fee is 100 euro. The conference dinner on Thursday evening costs an additional 30 euro.

Organisers and further info

Director Vibeke Asmussen Frank, Professor Geoffrey Hunt and Postdoc Signe Ravn, Centre for Alcohol & Drug Research, Aarhus University, Denmark.

See further details and the preliminary conference programme, and register for the conference, on the conference website: www.crf.au.dk/genderconference. The website is open from late April.

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