STPEC Events

STPEC Sponsored Events Fall 2015-Spring 2016

Theory and Practice of Direct Action
Thursday, September 17, 2015 - 6:00pm to 8:30pm Cape Cod Lounge
Moderated by Dan Clawson, Professor of Sociology, UMass
Panelists: Karen Gladden and Rose Smith (Springfield No One Leaves), Vanessa Gonzalez, Randy Kehler, Paki Wieland
Presented by the Social Thought and Political Economy Program (STPEC) at UMass Amherst as part of the Social Science Matters Series on Resistance, organized by the UMass College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

STPEC Activist Brown Bag Talks Fall 2015
*Out Now; Monday, November 23, 11:15-12:45 917 Campus Center
*ARISE for Social Justice: Michaelann Bewsee: Monday, November 9, 11:15-12:45 917 Campus Center
* Reclaim Our Schools/ Reclamar Nuestras Escuelas; Tuesday, October 13, 11:15-12:45 911 UMass Campus Center
* STPEC Activist Brown Bag lunch with Frances Crowe, Monday, September 28, 11:15-12:45 601 Herter Hall

The Fair Trade Difference
How Education and Democracy Grow Well-Being in Bolivia’s Quinoa Trade
Monday, December 7, 2015; 4:00-5:00 pm Thompson 620
A presentation of research by Professor Tamara Stenn and STPEC seniors on the effects of the growing quinoa trade on education, agency, and economic democracy among Bolivian farmers

Critical Theory and Social Change: Confronting Racism in the Contemporary U.S.
A two-day workshop organized by the Social Thought & Political Economy Program at UMass Amherst
Thursday March 24th and Friday March 25th Cape Cod Lounge and UMass Campus Center
Keynote Lectures by Mariana Ortega and Touré Reed Cape Cod Lounge

Politically Engaged Scholarship
A Panel with Silvia Federici, Alan Goodman, and Márgara Millán
Thursday, April 14 4:00-6:00 pm Bernie Dallas Room, Goodell Building

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Letter to a Wound: The World We Live in Today
Part of the SBS Series on Inequality
Wednesday, September 10 6:30-8:00 pm Cape Cod Lounge
Vijay Prashad, Professor of International Studies at Trinity College.

Distinguished Lecture Series on Social Thought and Political Economy
Co-sponsored with Commonwealth Honors College

Transforming Afro-Cuban Neighborhoods in Havana: A Movement for Social and Gender Equity in Community Development
Monday, October 27, 2014  4:00 p.m. Commonwealth Honors College Events Hall
Maria Regla Barbón Díaz, Director, Atarés-Pilar Integral Neighborhood Transformation Workshop
Distinguished Lecture Series on Social Thought and Political Economy continued

Lifting Up Low-Wage Work: Global Perspectives  
Monday, November 17, 7:00 p.m. Commonwealth Honors College Events Hall  
Stephanie Luce, Professor of Labor Studies, Murphy Institute for Worker Education, CUNY

The New College Proletariat and the Globalization of the American University  
Thursday, October 16, 4:00 p.m. Commonwealth Honors College Events Hall  
Ramón Borges-Méndez, STPEC Alumnus and Associate Professor and Graduate Program Coordinator of Community Development and Planning at Clark University

Black (im)Possibility: Ferguson and the Persistent Indictment of American Society  
Wednesday, February 11, 7:00 pm Commonwealth Honors College Events Hall  
Chris Tinson, Assistant Professor of African American Studies at Hampshire College

Vietnam: An Unfinished War  
Wednesday, March 4, 4:00 pm Commonwealth Honors College Events Hall  
H. Patricia Hynes, Director, Traprock Center for Peace and Justice in western Massachusetts

Sixty Years of Working for Justice and Peace in the Valley  
Monday, April 13, 4:00 pm Commonwealth Honors College Events Hall  
Frances Crowe, former Director of Western Mass AFSC and Activist Extraordinaire

Real Women. Real Voices.  The Movement of Formerly Incarcerated Women to End Mass Incarceration  
November 3, 2014, 6:30-8:00 pm Campus Center 162-75  
A talk by Andrea James of Families of Justice for Healing

STPEC Brown Bag Series
* Springfield No One Leaves, Wednesday, Jan 28, 2015, 11:15-12:45 Campus Center 168C  
* Pioneer Valley Workers Center, Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 11:15-12:45 Herter 601  
* The Prison Birth Project, Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 11:15-12:45 Herter 601  
* Sexual Minorities Archive, Wednesday, April 15, 2015, 11:15-12:45 Herter 601

An Evening of Reflection and Dialogue: What is the Purpose of Science?  
Saturday, March 7th, 7:00 pm  601 Herter Hall  
Four panelists will consider issues of science, class and power and a vision of how science can help us to realize a world of global peace and prosperity.

Love, Care and Activism:  
Women in Leadership Roles in Argentina’s Social Movements  
A talk by Brenda Pereyra  
April 15, 4:00-6:00 pm  Herter 601

UMass Student/Workers Forum  
Wednesday, April 22, 2015, 3:00-5:00pm  Campus Center 804  
Don’t let Administration divide our campus!  
A discussion between UMass workers and students.
Beehive Collective
September 24, 5:30-7:00 pm 205 Herter Hall

Piper Kerman & Tina Reynolds armchair talk
November 21, 4:00 pm CHC Events Hall
(co-sponsored)

Translating Theory Into Practice: Our Alums in the Real World. Networking with Afro-Am, History, Labor Center, STPEC and WGSS alumnae/i
March 27, 4:30-6:30 pm Cape Cod Lounge

Science for the People: The 1970s and Today
Weekend Conference
Fri-Sun, April 11-13, Campus Center and Thompson 102
FRIDAY, APRIL 11
Science for the People: Stories from the Movement
Former members of Science for the People interviewed by UMass students, Including Carol Cina, Britta Fischer, Herb Fox, Terri Goldberg, Michael Goldhaber, and Al Weinrub
SATURDAY, APRIL 12
Plenary Panel: The History and Lasting Significance of Science for the People with Sigrid Schmalzer, Kelly Moore, Susan Lindee, Sarah Bridger, Alyssa Botelho, Peter Taylor Rich Rosen and Lorne Taichman
SATURDAY PANELS
Science and Ideology, Organizers: Abha Sur and Katherine Yih, Panelists: Katherine Yih, Abha Sur, Doug Boucher, Dick Levins
Math and Computer Technology, Organizer: Robert Shapiro, Panelists: Chandler Davis, R. D. Ogden, Robert Shapiro, Steven Brewer
The Militarization of Science: SftP’s Historical Impact and Current Challenges, Organizer: Elke Heckner, Panelists: Jonathan King, Frances Crowe, Elke Heckner, Derek Denman
Agricultural Science and Food Justice, Organizer: Sigrid Schmalzer, Panelists: Brian Schultz, Sue Tafler, Margaret Reeves, Mike Hansen, Shambu Prasad Chebrolu
Toxics and Occupational and Public Health, Organizer: Frank Mirer, Panelists: Frank Bove, Scott Schneider, David Kotelchuck, Frank Mirer
DC Metro Science for the People: Continuing our Legacy in the 21st Century!, Organizer: David Schwartzman, Panelists: Jane Zara, Joanne Fleming, John Tharakan
Keynote Lecture: Mentoring Comrades: The Dialectics of Political Mentoring in the Natural Sciences, John Vandermeer
STPEC Sponsored Events Fall 2013-Spring 2014 continued

Science for the People: The 1970s and Today continued
SUNDAY, APRIL 13
SUNDAY PANELS

SftP in the World, Organizers: Sigrid Schmalzer and Minna Barrett, Panelists: Ivette Perfecto, Minna Barrett, Dave Culver, Dianne Rocheleau

Climate Change and Energy Technology and Policy, Organizer: Brian Tokar, Panelists: Brian Tokar, David Schwartzman, Rachel Smolker, Michael Dorsey

Women and Science, Organizer: Donna Riley, Panelists: Banu Subramaniam, Angela Willey, Amy Slaton, and Donna Riley

Health, Medicine, Pro- and Anti-People Healthcare Models, Organizer: Robert Shapiro, Panelists: Martha Livingston, Arlene Ash, and Martha Herbert

Closing Plenary: SftP 2.0... Where do we go from here?

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From Overpopulation to Climate Wars
September 23, 4:00 pm CHC Events Hall
Betsy Hartmann, Director of Population and Development Program, Professor of Development Studies, Hampshire College

A Human Rights Perspective: Reproductive Justice and Mass Criminalization of Black and Brown Women
November 19, 1:00 pm 803 CC
Tina Reynolds, co-founder and Executive Director of Women on the Rise Telling HerStory

Europe's "Entangled Histories" and the Memorial to the Abolition of slavery in Nantes, France
November 13, 4:00 pm CHC Lecture Hall
Anna Schrade, Five College Associate and cultural anthropologist

The Crisis of Syria's Refugees in Lebanon
February 12, 4:00 PM CHC Events Hall.
Omar Dahi, Associate Professor of Economics, School of Critical Social Inquiry, Hampshire College

Income Sharing with Irish Households - SILC 2010
March 6, 4:00 pm CHC Events Hall
Sarah Cantillon, Director, Equality Studies Graduate Programme, UCD School of Social Justice

Race is a Verb: From Race as Genetics to the Biological Consequences of Racism
April 2, 4:00 pm CHC Events Hall
Alan Goodman, Professor of Anthropology, Hampshire College

STPEC Brown Bag Activist Talks:

Brendan Carey, Unite Here January 29, 11:15-12:45 CC 162-75
Jeff Napolitano, American Friends Service Committee February 19, 11:15-12:45 CC 904-08
Michaelann Bewsee, Arise for Social Justice March 12, 11:15-12:45 CC 168C
Holly Richardson with Out Now panel April 9, 11:15-12:45 CC 904-08
STPEC Sponsored Events Fall 2012-Spring 2013

Parents as Students: Providing an Inclusive Environment for Academic Families
Talk by Joanne Levenson, Director of the Office of Family Resources and London Tatum, a student parent double majored in STPEC and Afro-American Studies.
Wednesday, October 24th, 12:30-2:00 pm Machmer E-33
Co-sponsored with Office of Family Resources and Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies

STPEC Activist Brown Bag Lunch Series
Lois Ahrens, Real Cost of Prisons. Jan. 30th Campus Center 162-175
Dan Keefe, Out Now, Justice for Charles, Justice for Jason. Feb. 20th Campus Center 904-908
Michaelann Bewsee, Arise for Social Justice. March 13th Campus Center 165-169
Frances Crowe, Northampton Committee to Stop the Wars. April 10th Campus Center 162-175

Thinking Critically about Knowledge, Power, and Food Activism
Workshop with panels on Broadening Our Perspective: Three Cases from Elsewhere and Elsewhen and Bringing it Home: There Cases from Here and Now.
April 8th, 2013, 10:00-1:30 Cape Cod Lounge.
Co-sponsored with Center for Agriculture, History Department, Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning and Architecture and Design, Center for Public Policy and Administration, UMass Alliance for Community Transformation (UACT), Food Access Research and Engagement (FARE).

STPEC Sponsored Events AY 2011-2012

Activists in the Academy: a Panel Discussion
Held in conjunction with STPEC’s 40th Anniversary
With Suzanne Bergeron, B.A. STPEC ’83, Director of Women’s and Gender Studies, University of Michigan-Dearborn; Ramón Borges-Mendez, B.A. STPEC ’85, Associate Professor of Community Development & Planning, Clark University; S. Charusheela, Associate Professor of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, University of Washington-Bothell; Karen Graubart, Carl E. Koch Associate Professor of History, University of Notre Dame; Renee Heberle, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Toledo
Friday, April 13, 1:00-3:00 pm Campus Center 1001

Occupy Lawrence 1912: Why the Bread & Roses Strike Still Matters
Professor Robert Forrant , Department of Regional Economic and Social Development, UMass Lowell
Tuesday, March 6, 2012, 4:00-6:00 pm 803 Campus Center , UMass Amherst

Food for Today: The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts’ Hunger Simulation workshop
Monday, November 21, 2011, 5:30-7:30 pm 620 Thompson Hall

Creating Healthy Masculinities
workshop with Tom Schiff, Community Health and Patient Educator, UHS
Tuesday, October 25, 7:00 pm Campus Center 903

Re-reading de Beauvoir ‘after race’: /woman-as-slave/revisited
Sabine Broeck, Professor of American Studies/Black Studies, University of Bremen, Germany
Thursday, October 13, 2011, 4:00 pm 301 Herter Hall
Co-sponsored with Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies and W.E.B. Dubois Dept. of Afro-American Studies
STPEC Sponsored Events AY 2011-2012 continued

Journalism, the Environment and the Future
Peter Thomson, STPEC ’85, Eleanor Bateman Alumni Scholar in Residence
Thursday, October 6, 2011 4:30-5:30 pm, Memorial Hall

Immigration, Population & Racism
Rebecca Poswolsky, Field Organizer on Race, Immigration and the Environment with Chicago’s Center for New Community
September 22, 2011, 7:30 pm Franklin Patterson Hall, Hampshire College
Co-sponsored with Population and Development Program and Peace and World Security Studies

STPEC movie nights, in the STPEC office, 7:00 pm, pizza provided
September 13: Inside Job
October 12: White Material
October 26: Not Just a Game
February 29: Occupy Wall Street Films

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Immigration, Population & Racism, Rebecca Poswolsky, Field Organizer with Center for New Community,
September 22 Franklin Patterson West Lecture Hall, HC, 7:30 pm.
Co-sponsored with Populations and Development Program and PAWSS

Malalai Joya: A Woman Among Warlords
Monday, March 28 4:00 pm, Thompson 106, UMass and 7:30 pm, Smith Neilson
co-sponsored with AFSC

MAKING CONNECTIONS: The 2011 Internships, Jobs, and Social Change Fair
Networking with STPEC, Afro-Am, Labor Center, and Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies Alumni/ae
Thursday, April 7, 5:30-7:00 Cape Cod Lounge

Community College Information Day
Thursday, April 7, 4:30-6:00 pm Campus Center 905-09
An info session for Community college students considering transferring to UMass as STPEC, WGSS or AfroAm majors.

The Anti-Immigrant Movement and Attacks on Women,
Cloee Cooper and Becca Poswolsky, STPEC alumnae and National Field Organizers for the Center for New Community
Thursday, April 7, 7:30 pm UMass Campus Center 905-09

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September 23: Exit Through the Gift Shop
October 26: L’Haine
Nov 16: King Leopold’s Ghost
Dec 14: Rape in the Congo
Jan 26: Slam
March 24: Invisible Children
April 14: Harold and Maude