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Friday, April 4, 2014

Panel 1: Policy and its Effects [9:00-10:15]  Chair: Sonalini Sapra
Shannon Paisley Israelen, Purdue University, “A Feminist Case Study: Lise Meitner and German Science”
Danielle Meiron, Grand Valley State University, “The Leaky Pipeline: Women Pursuing Careers in Medicine”

Panel 2: Economics and Gender [10:30-11:30]  Chair: Susan Ohmer
Katie Lee, University of Notre Dame, “Gendered Curriculum Outside the Classroom: An Inside Look at Business School”
Margaret S. Walsh, University of Notre Dame, “Declining Female Happiness: The Drastic Gender Gap in Subjective Well-Being Among Singles”

Panel 3: Gender and Performance [11:45-12:45]  Chair: Pamela Wojcik
Marla Walsh, University of Notre Dame, “Who Runs the World? Pop-Feminism, Race, and Class in Beyoncé’s Mrs. Carter Show Tour”
Maria Kosse, University of Notre Dame, “Strip tease: The Politics of Neo-Burlesque”
Cait Ogren, University of Notre Dame, “Sexpots and Servants: Latina Representations on Contemporary Scripted Television”
Kylie Garabed and Christa Costello, Saint Mary’s College, “Media Study in Masculinity: Shift in Fatherhood in Original Movies and Their Remakes”
Lunch: 1:00-2:00

Alexander Killen, University of Notre Dame, “A Mic for the Marginalized: Gender, Generation and Ugandan Hip-Hop”
Angela Bukur, Lucy Macfarlane, Kristin Murphy, and Hannah Richmond, Saint Mary’s College, “Combat Boots and Varsity Jackets: Hegemonic Masculinity Portrayed in Teen Movies”
Break – 3:30-4:30 – Arts & Letters Thesis Celebration, O'Shaughnessy Great Hall

Panel 5: Feminist Activism [4:45-6:00]  Chair: Ruth Abbey
Haley Van Cleve, University of Minnesota-Morris, “Teaching access and agency: blogging toward liberatory feminist praxis”
Cicely Hunter, Marquette University, “It’s a Woman’s World: Defining the Complexity of Amy Jacques Garvey”
Abigail Burgan, Saint Mary’s College, “Advocating for Reproductive and Sexual Health at the International Level: A Comparative Study of International Women’s Health Coalition (IWHC) and Women’s Global Network for Reproductive Rights (WGNRR)”
Lindsay Dun, University of Notre Dame, “Smashing the Lonely Mirror: Feminist Mobilization in Italy”
Dinner: 6:30 — Legends Screening of Philomena: 8:00 — Browning Cinema, DPAC

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Panel 6: Sexuality [9:00-10:00]  Chair: Abigail Palko
Molly Gray, Purdue University, “Men Their Creation Mar”: Construction of Female Virginity in Measure for Measure”
Payton Alexi Moore, Saint Mary’s College, “Sexual Christian Inclusiveness: Mutual Pleasure”
Robles, University of Illinois at Chicago, “Christianity=Queer Theology”

Eric Hankin, Indiana University-South Bend, “Something Queen This Way Comes: The Emergence of Pansexuality in Walt Whitman”
Nicole Nance, Oberlin College, “Black Female Self-Representation and Respectability in Literature”
Paulina Nava, DePaul University, “Recognizing the ‘Xican@’ within the Chicano art label”

Panel 8: Sexual Agency [11:30-12:30]  Chair: Jamie Wagman
Michelle Mowry, University of Notre Dame, “The Notre Dame Hookup Culture”
Olivia Gehrich, Marian University of Indianapolis, “The Sacrament of Sexual Agency: A Feminist Critique of Mary Gordon’s Final Payments”
Michael Prideaux, University of Minnesota-Morris, “The Pink Rope: Feminism, Sex Positivity and the Morality of BDSM”
Lunch 12:30-1:30

Panel 9: Sexual Assault [1:30-2:30]  Chair: Elizabeth McClintock
Kalliegh Fields, Saint Mary’s College, “Perceptions of Sexual Violence: Views of Sexual Assault on College Campuses”
Amber Joy Powell, Marquette University, “Blaming the Victim: A Look at Sexual Assault Adjudication in the Milwaukee County Courthouse”
Aayat Ali, University of Michigan-Dearborn, “Safe Spaces on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus”

Panel 10: Family Formation [2:45-3:45]  Chair: Stacy Davis
Nicki Hames and Erin Farrell, Hope College, “The Stability of Mate Standards Over a Nine-Month Period”
Abigail Madsen, Saint Mary’s College, “Construction of Ethnic Identity in Korean Adoptees Adopted into American Families”
Cara Firestein, Arianna Thelen, and Allison Sheets, Saint Mary’s College, “Consumer Fatherhood: An Analysis of How ‘The Father Life’ Constructs Being a Father”