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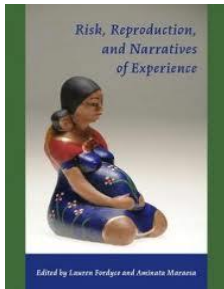
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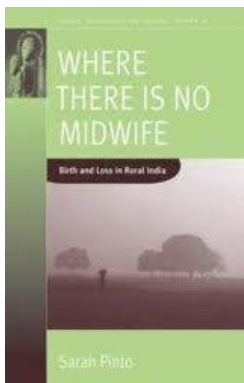
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Recent or Forthcoming Member Publications



Lauren Fordyce and Aminata Maraesa, Editors (Forthcoming, April 2012). *Risk, Reproduction, and Narratives of Experience*. Vanderbilt University Press.

Risk, Reproduction, and Narratives of Experience sheds new light on a troubling core aspect of medicalization processes, which simultaneously render pregnant women docile subjects even as they are impelled to engage actively with biomedicalized prenatal care regimes. We also see that a consummate means by which states seek to consolidate power in the reproductive realm is through expansion of the biomedical concept of risk. This critical observation emerges repeatedly in this collection.



Sarah Pinto (2011). *Where There Is No Midwife: Birth and Loss in Rural India*. Berghan Books.

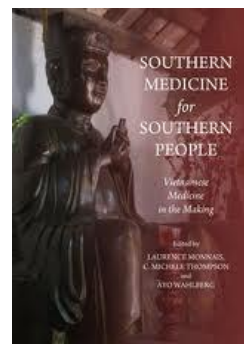
In the Sitapur district of Uttar Pradesh, an agricultural region with high rates of infant mortality, maternal health services are poor while family planning efforts are intensive. By following the daily lives of women in this setting, the author considers the women's own experiences of birth and infant death, their ways of making-do, and the hierarchies they create and contend with. This book develops an approach to care that focuses on emotion, domestic spaces, illicit and extra-institutional biomedicine, and household and neighborly

relations that these women are able to access. As part of the concatenation of affect and access, globalized moralities about reproduction are dependent on ambiguous ideas about caste. Through the unfolding of birth and death, a new vision of "untouchability" emerges that is integral to visions of progress.



Marcia Inhorn (March 2012). *The New Arab Man: Emergent Masculinities, Technologies, and Islam in the Middle East*. Princeton University Press.

Reconceiving Middle Eastern Manhood presents a humanizing portrayal of ordinary Middle Eastern men as they struggle to overcome infertility through assisted reproduction. These men's transnational quests for conception—in the midst of war, economic uncertainty, and changing Islamic moralities—highlight the dual emergence of new biotechnologies and new masculinities in the Middle Eastern region today.



Melissa J. Pashigian. (2012). "East, West, North, South: Medical Pluralism and "Suitable" Medicine for Infertility in Contemporary Vietnam." In *Southern Medicine for Southern People: Vietnamese Medicine in the Making*. Edited by

Laurence Monnais, C. Michele Thompson and Ayo Wahlberg. Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

Calls for Papers/Submissions

Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies invites submissions for a special issue on reproductive technologies and reproductive justice. In commemoration of the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the legacies of that decision, we welcome scholarly and creative works that analyze the contested terrains of reproduction in local, national, or transnational contexts. We are especially interested in the intersections between varied technologies to regulate, manage, or facilitate reproduction (e.g. abortion, contraception, surrogacy, population control, reproductive health, adoption), and claims for reproductive justice. We encourage submissions that conceptualize reproductive issues in broad terms, and which further the journal's commitment to scholarship on women of color, third world and transnational women's movements, and gender and race.

Frontiers welcomes submissions of creative works such as artwork, fiction, and poetry, as well as scholarly papers. Works must be original, and not published or under consideration for publication elsewhere. For submission guidelines, please consult the websites sponsored by the University of Nebraska Press and Arizona State University, where Frontiers is currently housed: <http://www.nebraskapress.unl.edu/product/Frontiers,673226.aspx> or <http://www.asu.edu/clas/asuhistory2/frontiers/>

All special issue submissions and questions should be directed to frontiers@osu.edu. The guest editor for this special issue is Mytheli Sreenivas, and the new editors of Frontiers are Guisela Latorre and Judy Tzu-Chun Wu.

Deadline for submission Special Issue: June 15, 2012 All other submissions, not related to the Special Issue, should be directed to Arizona State University before **May 11, 2012**. After May 12, 2012, all submissions should be sent to Ohio State University.



My Body, My Health: Women's Stories

Call for submissions for an edited volume on women and health

Editors: Kit-Bacon Gressitt and Jodie Lawston, PhD

Women's health became a key issue for the women's liberation movement in the 1960s as women began to explore every aspect of themselves: their traditional roles, their expanding opportunities, their bodies, even their genitalia. Health continues to be an issue of keen interest for feminists — Third Wave, Second Wave and certainly our surviving Suffragists — as women struggle for proper diagnoses; advocate for their ill children, parents, partners and themselves; address males attempting to control their health (as exemplified in the recent congressional hearings on birth control); and demand clinical trials that test new drugs on women, not just men.

Yet few women's stories about their experiences with health issues are shared beyond workplace women's rooms, grocery store checkout lines and kitchen tables. Sorrowful and infuriating, hilarious and humiliating, our stories must be told, because women's health concerns have been denied, ignored, misdiagnosed, and belittled. Today, as women are taking back control of their health and wresting their bodies away from the medicalization of what used to be natural, our stories — of successes and failures — will help others do the same.

This anthology will serve as a soapbox for women of all sexualities, races, classes, ages, and abilities, from which to tell their tales of health and illness, recovery and degeneration, birthing and dying. It is a soft shoulder and a bullhorn, a cup of chamomile tea and a concoction that will knock your socks off. This volume will allow the reader to look at a wide variety of issues pertaining to women's health, from media influences on women's body images, to women in sports, to women's experiences with alternative healthcare practices, to women midwifing their parents to their deaths and helping birth their grandchildren.



We hope you have a feminist story or two you want to share with us in the form of an essay, short fiction piece, or poem. We are particularly interested in creative approaches to the overall theme of women and health. Each woman experiences health in so many ways, from so many perspectives: her own health, a parent's health, a partner's, child's or friend's health. And women seek better health in myriad ways from a variety of practitioners, including themselves. Perhaps you have a story about a topic we haven't thought of, but one that settles comfortably in our overall theme of women's health. If so, we would like to see it. We will be submitting the book proposal concurrent with editing the anthology.

Please attach your submission, in MSWord, to an email and send it to both: Jodie Lawston: jlawston@csusm.edu and Kit-Bacon Gressitt: kbgressitt@gmail.com

Deadline for submissions: June 28, 2012. If you have questions or would like more detailed submission information: Email Kit-Bacon (kbgressitt@gmail.com) or Jodie (jlawston@csusm.edu).

Book, Dissertation, and Paper Prize Announcements

AFA DISSERTATION AWARD COMPETITION

\$2,000 award to support the writing phase of a dissertation that makes a significant contribution to feminist anthropology.



APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2012

All sub-fields encouraged to apply.

For information about last year's winner, Shankari Patel, UC Riverside, see the January 2012 AN column: <http://www.anthropology-news.org/index.php/2012/01/10/january-afa-news/>

Complete applications must include the following:

- 1...Dissertation project proposal of five pages plus bibliography.
- 2...A short CV (no more than two pages).
- 3...A one-page statement detailing the contribution of the dissertation project to feminist anthropology.
- 4...Cover letter indicating applicant's subfield, current status, and dissertation adviser.
- 5...One letter of recommendation from the dissertation adviser that should frame the work within feminist anthropology. The adviser should certify that the graduate student will be in the dissertation writing phase at the time the award is given (November 2011 at the AAA meeting). Letter should be sent directly to the chairperson listed below.

To apply you must be:

- ...A doctoral candidate in any of the four sub-fields of anthropology
- ...In the write-up phase of the dissertation at the time the award is given (November 2012 at the AAA meeting).
- ...AFA member at the time of submission

Submit applications via e-mail to:

Dr. Nia Parson, Chair, AFA Dissertation Award Committee
Department of Anthropology
SMU
Dallas, TX 75275
nparson@smu.edu

The Council on Anthropology & Reproduction Announces the 9th Annual Most Notable Recent Collection in Anthropology & Reproduction Book Award Competition

The Council on Anthropology & Reproduction (CAR) Award is one of very few awards given to edited volumes, yet it helped establish and foment topics of reproduction as central fields of anthropological inquiry. The “Most Notable Recent Collection” Award seeks to recognize and celebrate recent (published within 3 years of the nomination deadline) collections of anthropological works addressing: human reproduction, reproductive technologies, population policy, birth control and contraception, pregnancy, the study and application of genetics, childbirth, adoption, and the roles of parents, among others. Entries are evaluated on a variety of factors including: overall contribution to anthropology & reproduction, usefulness for teaching, current and historical value for academic and advocacy work, the strength of the nomination letters, the quality and depth of analysis within the chapters, and the coherence of the volume as a whole.

Nomination letters may be brief but should explain the impact of the volume on your own work, your teaching and students, and how you consider the volume to be influential within the field. For further information or to submit nomination letters, contact CAR Book Committee Chair, Carolyn Smith-Morris, smithmor@smu.edu.

Deadline for Nomination is May 15, 2012. Award will be announced at the CAR and SMA business meetings at the American Anthropological Assn. meetings in November 2012.

Past CAR Book Award Winners

2010 *Reconceiving the Second Sex: Men, Masculinity, and Reproduction* (2009, Berghahn Books) edited by Marcia Inhorn, Tine Tjornhoj-Thomsen, Helene Goldberg, and Maruska La Cour Mosegaard

2009 No book prizes awarded.

2008 *Beyond the Body Proper: Reading the Anthropology of Material Life* (2007, Duke U. Press) edited by Judith Farquar and Margaret Locke

2007 No book prizes awarded.

2006 *Barren States: The Population Implosion in Europe* (2005, Berg Publishers) edited by Carrie Douglass

2005 *Consuming Motherhood* (2004, Rutgers U. Press) edited by Janelle S. Taylor, Linda L. Layne and Danielle F. Wozniak

2004 *Birthing in the Pacific: Beyond Tradition and Modernity?* (2002, U. of Hawai'i Press) edited by Vicki Lukere and Margaret Jolly

2003 *Childbirth and Authoritative Knowledge: Cross Cultural Perspectives* (1997, U. California) edited by Robbie Davis-Floyd and Carolyn Sargent

2002 *Pragmatic Women and Body Politics* (1998, Cambridge University Press) edited by Margaret Lock and Patricia Alice Kaufert

Council on Anthropology and Reproduction GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

The Council on Anthropology and Reproduction (CAR), an interest group of the Society for Medical Anthropology, is pleased to announce its 12th annual award competition for the best graduate student paper on anthropology and reproduction. Submissions from all anthropological subdisciplines are encouraged. Criteria on which the papers will be judged:

- .. Ethnographic richness based on original fieldwork
- .. Anthropological methodology
- .. Linkage of work to literature in anthropology and reproduction
- .. Effective use of theory and data
- .. Originality/Creativity
- .. Organization, quality of writing, and coherence of argument

Please remove identifying information on the paper itself. On a separate page, include your name, mailing address, email address, and school affiliation.

Papers should be double-spaced, no more than 9,000 words including references, and references should be formatted in American Anthropologist style. Papers already published or accepted for publication at time of submission are not eligible. The papers will be read by a committee of CAR members. The author of the winning paper will receive a cash award of approximately \$250. The winner will be announced in both the CAR Newsletter and the Anthropology Newsletter, and an abstract will be published in the CAR Newsletter.

Submissions must be emailed or postmarked by September 15, 2012, 11:59pm. Please send electronic copies to: Jill Fleuriet at jill.fleuriet@utsa.edu

SYLVIA FORMAN PRIZE FOR STUDENT PAPERS – 2012

18th Annual Competition - Association for Feminist Anthropology

AFA is pleased to invite graduate and undergraduate students to submit essays in feminist anthropology in competition for the Sylvia Forman Prize, named for the late Sylvia Helen Forman, one of the founders of AFA whose dedication to both her students and feminist principles contributed to the growth of feminist anthropology.

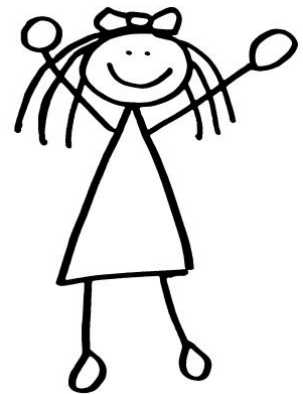
One graduate and one undergraduate student winner will each receive a certificate; a cash award (\$1,000 graduate and \$500 undergraduate); and have the winning essay summary published in *Anthropology Newsletter*.

We encourage essays in all four subfields of anthropology. Essays may be based on research on a wide variety of topics including (but not limited to) feminist analysis of women's work, education, reproduction, sexuality, religion, and expressive culture, language, family and kin relations, economic development, gender and material culture, gender and biology, women and development, globalization, and intersectionalities of gender, race, sexuality, and class.

Essays will be judged on:

- Originality of research topic
- Significance to feminist scholarship
- Use of **feminist anthropological** theory to analyze a research question
- Effective use of both theory and data
- Timeliness and relevance of topic
- Organization, quality, and clarity of writing

Note: For essays that have been submitted but not yet accepted for publication, contact the Forman Prize Chair well before the submission deadline. Articles already accepted or published are not eligible. **Only one submission per student will be accepted.**



DEADLINE for submissions is June 1, 2012 and essays should include:

- Mention of whether for an undergraduate or graduate prize
- Author's institutional affiliation, mailing address, telephone number and e-mail address for notification in September 2012
- Name, title, and institutional affiliation of instructor/advisor who supervised the paper for acknowledgement
- If a graduate essay, the author's AAA membership number: **Graduate students must be members of the Association of Feminist Anthropology by the time of the paper submission in order to compete**

No more than 35 double-spaced pages, including bibliography, using *American Anthropologist* style. Submit by email as an MSWord attachment (please, not .pdf) with any illustrations within the document in either .jpg or .tiff, to Forman Prize Chair Ellen Lewin, ellen-lewin@uiowa.edu, with "Forman Prize Submission" in subject line.

Prizes will be awarded at the AFA Business Meeting during the AAA Annual Conference, November 14-18, 2012 in San Francisco.

Notes from the Field of an Embryo Ethnographer

Risa Cromer

For the past year, I've been a feminist ethnographer of the politics and practices concerning frozen human embryos, of which there are about 500,000 currently stored in cryopreservation tanks nationwide. Part of this research involved spending time at an embryo adoption program among pro-life Christians struggling with infertility. Simultaneous to this research, I remained active in the reproductive justice movement by volunteering as an abortion doula at the local woman's health center and as a pregnancy options counselor for a peer talk line.



With all that is happening across the United States concerning women's reproductive health and autonomy—personhood amendments, funding attacks on Planned Parenthood and their patients, incarcerations of women like Bei Bei Shuai, government mandated ultrasounds, and remarkable statements about pills between our knees—I want to offer a few windows into a world where embryonic personhood is the status quo. I highlight examples of grief and loss within embryo adoption and consider some resonant examples from my volunteer work as a peer counselor. Even across gulfs like embryonic personhood, I believe it is worthwhile to identify shared reproductive experiences, such as loss or grief.

When fertility patients at the end of IVF are done family building, they have a few options concerning their remaining embryos: they can be donated to research, given to another person or couple, discarded, or left cryopreserved. Some fertility clinics offer donation programs in which doctors anonymously match their patients with unused embryos to be thawed and transferred into the uterus for a chance at pregnancy. Embryo adoption is an alternative that differs in practice and purpose. All program materials and protocols are designed in recognition of the personhood of embryos and based on a traditional adoption model. More than a family building option, the former director of the embryo adoption program explains, “embryo adoption is a social movement to remind people that life begins at conception.”

The embryo adoption program I study operates within a Christian adoption agency tucked away in a large room on the second floor of a nondescript office building. Decorative wooden cutouts of the word “FAMILY” pepper the recently redecorated office. Large metal filing cabinets lining the walls house hundreds of donating and adopting client files. Displayed on a bookshelf are Anne Geddes images of newborns and figures of angels, while images of embryos are noticeably absent. A placard stating, “Life is fragile, handle with prayer,” rests on the top shelf.

In an organization where frozen embryos are considered “pre-born children,” grief and loss are part of the daily fabric. Monica, the current program director, expressed that if she ever owned a fertility clinic, she would name it Hope: “I would prefer to call it Joy, but that's not always guaranteed.”

For adoptive clients, most of who come to embryo adoption through the experience of infertility, the chance at pregnancy is attractive. In reality, the vast majority of embryos adopted through this program do not result in a born child. To date, 563 individuals and couples have donated 3531 for adoption through their program resulting in the birth of 302 babies. On average, each embryo that is adopted through this program has a 10% chance of being born.

Kathy, the program's social worker, leveled with me about the kinds of challenges that her adoptive clients experience: "Let's face it; the rates are not good to start with. It takes a lot of faith to be in this program." After completing the embryo adoption process of applying, passing a home study, creating a family profile, being matched, signing contracts, shipping embryos to their clinic, and preparing physically for a frozen embryo transfer, some are devastated to learn that few or none of the embryos they adopted survived the thawing process. Others wait weeks or months to learn about their failed transfers, chemical pregnancies, miscarriages and stillbirths. Parents like Tim, who has a one-year-old daughter through embryo adoption, feel sadness over the loss of the embryos that perished because they were considered "part of the family." Christmas cards taped to the office door of the embryo adoption program use Scripture to convey remembrances for lost pregnancies. Blog and Facebook postings from adoptive families commemorate anniversaries of children unborn. Monica sends to clients who miscarry a package with a sympathy letter and small commemorative ornament while special keepsakes are made for families like the Garretts whose son with Trisomy-18 died two weeks to term. Even among adoptive clients with successful births, many grieve the chance to parent children genetically related to them.

Donating families experience their own kind of losses and at many junctures. Some donors rank placing their embryos for adoption among the hardest decision of their life. On one placing parent's blog, Sherry explains why: "We consciously made the decision to allow another family to potentially raise children that we love no differently than our own. We will have no active role in their lives and they themselves will never personally experience my expression of love as a Mother. It is a loss and one that deserves to be grieved." Sarah felt a mixture of relief and guilt when receiving news that her donated embryos did not create a pregnancy. Couples like Jack and Laurel, who donated seventeen embryos after five years of indecision, are preparing for the fact that all of their embryos will likely not be used by one family. Multiple matching processes, families, and potential pregnancies mean that for Jack and Laurel, "this is the first chapter of a long and unknown story."

The three staff persons who run the embryo adoption program—the director, social worker, and client administrator—express their own sorrows and disappointments from working behind the scenes as advocates for embryos. Hard to match embryos tug at their heartstrings. Many tactics were devised over the past year to help find matches for the "waiting embryos," including drafting mass email appeals to prospective adoptive families, adding them to the weekly agency prayer list, and offering fee discounts for families who adopted them. Last week when one of these "waiting embryos" was finally thawed and transferred to a single woman in the northwest, Monica exclaimed, "Hallelujah! Risa, we saved that embryo." When Monica began managing the embryo adoption program seven years ago, the outgoing director told her that this work is a "spiritual

battlefield.” Monica sees her day-to-day work not as a crusade to save every embryo but as a logistical battle to help people “find a home” for the embryos they want to give a chance at life. For her, it helps to “not adhere to the pro-life mission too much” because the task of saving every embryo would be overwhelming.

These examples of grief, disappointment and loss within embryo adoption illustrate some of the ways attributing personhood status to embryos is expressed in the context of infertility. Without question, many people who have lived through infertility recognize the kinds of grief and loss expressed above and do not consider embryos persons at all. Moreover, grief and loss are not unique to infertility or pregnancy loss but are common across abortion, adoption, and parenthood experiences too.

Bearing witness to these kinds of commonalities has been central to my other “field” experiences as a doula and peer counselor. The multiple positions I’ve inhabited—as researcher, activist, insider, outsider, ally, confidante, and political opponent—leave me intrigued by the resonances. Consider these examples from the peer counseling talk line: One mother, who calls the peer counseling talk line often, grieves the loss of a healthy child as she singlehandedly tries to find support for herself and her daughter, who is diagnosed with a rare genetic condition. “No one gives you a chance to sit down and feel sad.” When her husband, who is currently deployed in Afghanistan, calls in the evenings, she struggles to hide her pain even though as a military wife she is supposed to be the “strong one.” Another woman, who spent the bulk of her life as a “hardcore Christian,” called the talk line not conflicted about her decision to have an abortion, but from feeling completely isolated from her Christian community. Her relationship with God is shifting in monumental ways, and this she mourns. The ethnographic nuance of these kinds of grief merit a closer look, and I am struck by the shared experience of grieving around pregnancy and across perceived gulfs, creeds, and perspectives.

Ethnography, doula care and peer counseling have revealed to me a dynamic continuum of reproductive experiences. My impulse to amplify the similarities among these diverse women comes at a moment in our country when efforts to further divide women occur at the peril of our reproductive health and autonomy.



Thank you to Risa Cromer for contributing to this Notes From The Field column. If you are interested in submitting a future Notes From The Field column, please contact one of the newsletter co-editors with any questions or suggestions!

Position Announcements

The **Global Studies Program at Colby College** invites applications for a one-year Faculty Fellow position, beginning September 1, 2012. We seek a scholar with a PhD in anthropology and demonstrated research and teaching interests in the human rights arena. The ideal candidate will have an interest in exploring international human rights policy and its impact on diverse communities and social settings. Subfields may include one or more of the following: refugees and displaced populations, genocide or racial/ethnic violence and their aftermaths, civil war and other conflict zones, environmental and/or indigenous rights movements, religious/ethnic/gendered/sexual modes of persecution, health and social justice and/or the roles and practices of international institutions (courts, NGOs, humanitarian aid), among other topics. The successful candidate will have strong interdisciplinary interests and will be able to teach courses that will complement the existing Global Studies and Anthropology programs, including one section of introduction to Anthropology.

Please submit curriculum vitae, graduate transcript, three letters of recommendation, brief statement of teaching philosophy, and official summaries of teaching evaluations, in electronic format to Professor Patrice Franko at pmfranko@colby.edu; please clearly note GS Job application in your subject line. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, beginning **March 15, 2012**, and reviews will continue until the job is filled.

Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health (ANSIRH), a program of the Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), is seeking an interviewer to join the Turnaway Study team.

ANSIRH is in need of a research analyst to conduct phone interviews in English and Spanish for the Turnaway Study, a large national study of the effect of unintended pregnancy on women's lives. The incumbent will be responsible for carrying out semiannual telephone interviews, maintaining records of call attempts and successes, protecting confidential information and responding to training and quality improvement measures, and conducting literature reviews, and performing other duties as assigned. Interviews include sensitive topics such as abortion, drug use, pregnancy intentions and domestic violence. Comfort discussing those issues and fluency in Spanish are essential. Perform other duties as assigned.

More information about the study can be found at <http://www.ansirh.org/research/turnaway.php>.

Required Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree in public health, psychology, or related field and one year of related experience; or an equivalent combination of education and experience; at least one year experience working in reproductive health research, abortion counseling, or clinical care; oral and written fluency in Spanish and English; excellent interpersonal communication skills in-person and over the phone; highly organized, able to multi-task, and demonstrated success working in a fast paced environment; ability to work with people from diverse communities; a positive attitude and a sense of humor.

Preferred Qualifications:

- ... Flexibility to work non-business hours;
- ... Experience conducting telephone surveys;
- ... Experience using CATI or similar data collection and management systems;
- ... Experience conducting literature reviews using PubMed or other similar search engine;
- ... Prior related UC experience.

Note: This appointment will end **9/30/15**. Fingerprinting and background check required.

Qualified candidates should apply through the UCSF careers website at <http://ucsfhr.ucsf.edu/careers/> using requisition **#37256BR**

Postdoctoral Fellowship: Comparative Reproductive Politics in the Americas (Hampshire College) Postdoctoral Fellowship Comparative Reproductive Politics in the Americas Hampshire College invites applications for a three-year postdoctoral fellowship in Comparative Reproductive Politics of the Americas. This Mellon-funded position is one of five to be filled in 2012-13 in cooperation with the Five College Consortium (Amherst, Hampshire, Mount Holyoke, Smith colleges and the University of Massachusetts, Amherst). Hampshire College encourages inter-disciplinary teaching and research. While in residence at Hampshire, the Fellow will participate fully in one of the nation's most vibrant academic collaborations, including the Five College Reproductive Politics Group comprised of faculty and graduate students working in global reproductive politics, and the annual conference for students and community activists, From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building the Movement for Reproductive Freedom. There is related support from colleagues and library and research facilities at all five campuses, each located within a twenty-minute drive of the others. Over three years the Fellow will teach six courses, two at Hampshire College, two at Mount Holyoke College, and two at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. The Fellow will be provided research and teaching mentors on each campus in coordination with Hampshire College which will host the fellowship.

Applicants should have research and teaching interests in one or more of the following themes: transnational social movements that seek to achieve as well as to contest sexual and reproductive rights; factors that facilitate or impede policy reform, legislative action, and grassroots social movements; comparative methodologies; the relationship of political parties and NGOs to reproductive and sexual rights movements; and new forms of social activism that emerge in the wake of civil war and military dictatorship.

The successful candidate must have completed all requirements for a PhD before assuming the fellowship. **Position begins fall 2012. Review of applications begins March 16, 2012** and will continue until the position is filled. Hampshire College is committed to building a culturally diverse intellectual community and strongly encourages applications from women and minority candidates. We offer a competitive salary and comprehensive benefit program, including support for research. Applicants should send a letter of interest, CV, writing sample, and two letters of reference to via our website at <http://jobs.hampshire.edu/>

[Hampshire College](http://www.hampshire.edu) is an equal opportunity institution, committed to diversity in education and employment.

Panels & Presentations at the March 2012 SMA/SFAA Conference

Sessions of Potential Interest to CAR members

<p>WEDNESDAY 8:00-9:50</p>	<p><i>Body Image and Food Consumption</i> OSBOURNE, Brittany (U Florida) Remedies Black Women Use to Address Body Image Concerns during Pregnancy</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 8:00-9:50</p>	<p><i>Considering Reproduction</i> STRONG, Adrienne (Wash U-St. Louis) and PIPERATA, Barbara (Ohio State U) Factors Influencing Health Care Seeking Behaviors during Pregnancy and Childbirth in Rural Tanzania SHI, Lihong (Wash U-St Louis) Reproductive Decision Making and Women's Autonomy in Rural Northeast China FLORES, Ilona (SUNY Albany) Shifting Boundaries within Nicaragua's Abortion Debate GUBRIUM, Aline (UMass-Amherst) A Paradox of Contraceptive Freedom: User Perspectives on DepoProvera and Its Effect on Menstruation POP, Cristina A. (Tulane U) Regulating Fertility through Female Surgical Sterilization in Post-Socialist Romania MILLER, Sarah C. (CWRU) Reproductive Planning in Women of Childbearing Age</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 10:00-11:50</p>	<p><i>Giving Birth: Choices Before and After</i> GIBSON, Erica (U S Carolina) Crossing Bodily Boundaries: Cesarean Section Rates among Women in Veracruz, Mexico DEMETRIOU, Nicole (U S Florida) Attending Births in Medicaid Homes DUNN, Emily, CHAN, Isabella, and CANTOR, Allison (U S Florida) Maternity Care Providers' Attitudes and Practices Regarding Vaginal Birth After Cesarean (VBAC) CHAN, Isabella, DUNN, Emily, and CANTOR, Allison (U S Florida) Maternal Agency Regarding Vaginal Birth After Cesarean (VBAC) TOMORI, Cecilia (Johns Hopkins SPH) Exploring the Boundaries of Breastfeeding, Infant Sleep, and Health in the U.S. LEE, Sunga (Independent) and MOSES, Mike(RMCAD) Another Look at Consumption and Parenting</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 10:00-11:50</p>	<p><i>Pushing Boundaries of Risk, Responsibility, and Rights: New Horizons of Choice in Biomedicine</i> CHEN, Junjie (U IL Urbana-Champaign) "Informed" Birth Control "Options," Structural Violence, and Women's Reproductive Experiences in (Post)Socialist Rural China PORTER, Natalie (UW-Madison) "Global" Health within State Borders: Compelling Behavioral Choices in Vietnamese Bird Flu Management PASHIGIAN, Melissa J. (Bryn Mawr) Rights and Borders: Residual Effects of Infertility</p>

	<p>Treatment Options in Vietnam and Regional Asia</p> <p>EMON, Ayesah (UW-Madison) Is Sperm All the Same Under the Microscope?: Category Making and Unmaking in Cryobank Laboratories</p> <p>FUKUDA, Chisato (UW-Madison) Reproducing Health as Wealth: Trans-boundary Commoditization of Traditional Medicine in Lao PDR</p> <p>DISCUSSANT: URETSKY, Elanah (George Wash U)</p>
WEDNESDAY 1:30-3:20	<p><i>Emerging Drug Ethnography: Exploring Drugs and Drug Use at the Borderlands</i></p> <p>TODD, Rebecca R. (U S Florida) Body Politic and the Defective Vessel: How Politics and Biomedicine Blur the Lines Between Crime and Vulnerability among Pregnant Substance Using Women</p>
WEDNESDAY 3:30-5:20	<p><i>Awareness and Choices for Personal and Public Health</i></p> <p>BRANDON, George (CUNY) Sequential Behavior Analysis of the Use of Alternatives to Reproduction in a Maroon Village of Jamaica</p> <p>KAMAL, Mohammad Arzeen (N Arizona U) Informal Health Care Providers Focusing on Sexual and Reproductive Health: A Majma in Dhaka City</p>
THURSDAY 10:00-11:50	<p><i>Supporting the Development of a Health Infrastructure in a Highland Guatemala Town</i></p> <p>ROMERO, Vanessa (U Penn) Traditional Birth Attendants' Practice in the Face of a Modernizing Environment</p> <p>PHILLIP, Jare Melanie (U Penn) Sources of Knowledge and Help among Pregnant Atiteca Women</p>
FRIDAY 1:30-3:20	<p><i>Medical Anthropology and Its View of the Patient</i></p> <p>H CASTRO, Arachu, HEYMANN, Marilyn, and BETTINI, Anna (Harvard Med Sch) Life and Death Trajectories of Pregnant Women with Obstetric Complications in the Dominican Republic</p>
FRIDAY 1:30-3:20	<p><i>The Co-Constitution of "Intimacy" and "Institution" in the Clinical Encounter</i></p> <p>GALLICCHIO, Nicole (U Chicago) "It's Kind of Like a One-night Stand": Birth Doulas and 'Managed' Intimacy in the Context of Emotion-based Care</p> <p>SINGH, Holly Donahue (Kenyon Coll) Inappropriate Intimacies?: Seeking Solutions to Infertility through Public Institutions in Lucknow, India</p>
FRIDAY 3:30-5:20	<p><i>Emerging Research in Medical Anthropology</i></p> <p>DE SANTA, Meghen (Boston U Sch of Med) Clinical Competency and the Professionalization of HypnoFertility Therapy</p>
SATURDAY 3:30-5:20	<p><i>Faith, the Church, and Health Initiatives</i></p> <p>MISHTAL, Joanna (U Central Florida) Intersections of Religion, Culture, and Biomedicine in Contraceptive Pluralism in Poland (SMA)</p>

*This list is by no means comprehensive-
if you're on a panel that was not mentioned here, please let us know!*

Upcoming Conferences of Interest



March 27-31, 2012

The Society for Applied Anthropology 72nd Annual Meeting

Location: Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel

<http://www.sfaa.net/sfaa2012.html>

Also, see inset in this edition of the CAR newsletter for a sneak peak at who's giving what papers when!



March 29-30, 2012

Transforming Pregnancy Since 1900

Location: University of Cambridge

<http://www.hps.cam.ac.uk/medicine/pregnancy.html>



April 13 - 14, 2012

2nd International Medical Congress Woman and Man reproductive and sexual health

Location: Warsaw, Poland

www.womanandman.info



May 5 - 9, 2012

ACOG 60th Annual Clinical Meeting

Sponsored by: American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

Location: San Diego, CA

<http://www.acog.org/acm/>



June 2 - 7, 2012

The 57th Annual Meeting and Exposition

Sponsored by: The American College of Nurse-Midwives

Location: Long Beach, CA

<http://www.midwife.org/Annual-Meeting>



July 19 - 22, 2012

16th World Congress on Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology & Infertility (COGI)

Sponsored by: CongressMed

Location: Singapore

<http://www.congressmed.com/cogisingapore/>



September 20 - 22, 2012

Reproductive Health 2012

Sponsored by: Association of Reproductive Health Professionals

Location: New Orleans, LA

<http://www.reproductivehealth2012.org/>

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