



CREATING CHANGE: FEMINISM, THE UNIVERSITY AND SOCIETY

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN
MARCH 11th & 12th 2011

This international conference explores the relationship between feminist academic work and social change. Participants will discuss initiatives that use teaching and research to address inequalities in various domains, sharing insights as to how academics can effectively:

- Contribute to campaigns for social justice through, for example, direct organising and policy work with non-governmental organizations
- Engage in emancipatory and feminist scholarship and research practices
- Support and learn from communities through the medium of clinics and advocacy training
- Promote approaches to student learning that foster critical understandings of social justice issues

Presenters work within and across the fields of adult education, art, equality studies, human rights advocacy, law and legal practice, politics, social policy, sociology and women's studies.

Keynote addresses:

- Rosemary Hunter, Professor of Law, Kent Law School University of Kent
The Feminist Judgments Project
- Joan Meier, Professor of Clinical Law, George Washington University
The Domestic Violence Legal Empowerment and Appeals Project

Registration and conference fees

Information on registration and conference fees is available from the website of the UCD School of Social Justice: <http://www.ucd.ie/socialjustice/judyconf.html>

Venue

The conference will take place at the Quinn School of Business on the UCD Belfield campus. The Quinn School of Business is located close to the public bus terminus (marked building number 10 on the following map):

<http://www.ucd.ie/quinn/aboutus/contactus/map/#d.en.11466>

Conference schedule and programme

The conference opens at 3pm on Friday March 11th, with registration available from 2.30pm. It closes at 6pm on Saturday 12th March.





DRAFT CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

MARCH 11

2.30-3.00

Registration

3:00-3:30

Welcome by **Colleen Dube**, Executive Director, Fulbright Ireland
Conference opening by **Kathleen Lynch**, Chair of Equality Studies, UCD School of Social Justice

3:30-4:10

Plenary Keynote

Rosemary Hunter, Professor of Law, Kent Law School
University of Kent
The Feminist Judgments Project

4:10-4.40

Coffee break

4:40-6:00

Panel Discussion:

Aileen Donnelly, Senior Counsel, Law Library of Ireland
Tanya Ward, Director of Research and Policy, Irish Council for Civil Liberties

Chair: **Imelda Maher**, Sutherland Professor In European Law,
Law School, University College Dublin

6:00-7:00

Drinks reception





MARCH 12

8.30-9.00

Registration

9:00-10:30

Plenary Keynote:

Joan Meier, Professor of Clinical Law and Director of the Domestic Violence Legal Empowerment and Appeals Project, George Washington University

Teaching and advocacy for social justice: The personal, the political and the Supreme Court

Panel Discussion:

Donna K. Coker, Professor of Law, University of Miami Law School

Margaret Martin, Director of Women's Aid, Republic of Ireland

Kris Miccio, Professor of Law, Sturm College of Law, University of Denver

10:30-10:50

Coffee break





10:50-12:20

Panel Session A

Panel A (1): *The Justice for Magdalenes Campaign*

Chair: John Baker, Head of the UCD School of Social Justice

- **Mary McAuliffe**, School of Social Justice, University College Dublin
- **Maeve O'Rourke**, Harvard Law School Global Human Rights Fellow at *Equality Now*, London

Panel A (2): *Emancipatory Research Practices*

Chair: Kris Miccio, Professor of Law, Sturm College of Law, University of Denver

- **Éidín Ní Shé**, Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Limerick
Embedding an Emancipatory Approach within a University: The UL Practicum as a next Step?
- **Melanie Hoewer**, School of Politics and International Relations, University College Dublin
Building bridges: Bringing women's voices from the margin to the centre
- **Susan Miner**, Support Services Coordinator, Rape Crisis Network of Ireland
Ways of Knowing with Statistics: The Success of the Rape Crisis Network Ireland Database

Panel A (3): *Gender equality within academia*

Chair: Ursula Barry, Head of Women's Studies, UCD School of Social Justice

- **Clara Fischer**, Trinity College Dublin
Women academics as agents of social justice: critical issues in the Irish context
- **Paula A. Monopoli**, Professor of Law & Marbury Research Professor, University of Maryland School of Law
Remaking the Legal Academy in Our Own Image
- **Gayle MacDonald**, Professor of Sociology and Dean of Research, St. Thomas University, New Brunswick
Sex Work, Dean's Work, Social Activism and Feminism: "What do these four things have in common"?





12:20-13:30

Lunch

13:30-15:00

Panel Session B

Panel B (1): Art & Social Change

Chair: Siún Hanrahan, Head of Research and Postgraduate Development, National College of Art and Design, Dublin

- **Rickie Solinger**, historian, curator and writer
Organizing Exhibitions to Interrupt the Curriculum: the Visuals of Political Activism
- **Louise Walsh**, Sculpture Department, National College of Art and Design, Dublin
Public Art Practice: Student and Community Engagements

Panel B (2): Stretching the Academy: Radical learning and community activism

Chair: Maggie Feeley, independent literacy researcher, part-time lecturer and feminist activist

- **Bríd Connolly**
- **Bernie Grummell**
- **Michael Murray**
- **Fergal Finnegan**
Department of Adult and Community Education, NUI Maynooth

Panel B (3): Culture, Law and Religion

Chair: TBA

- **Terrance Kelly**, Attorney at law, Kelly Garnsey Hubbell & Lass LLC, Denver
Feminism and Faith: A Conversation About Culture-Changing
- **Máiréad Enright**, Lecturer in Law, Kent Law School, University of Kent
Feminist Notes Towards A Course in Law and Religion.





15:00-15:30

Coffee break

15:30-17.00

Panel Session C

Panel C (1): Feminist Legal Scholarship

Chair: Fergus Ryan, Lecturer in Law, Dublin Institute of Technology

- **Susan Ayres**, Professor of Law, School of Law, Texas Wesleyan University
The Monster in the House: Vulnerability and Agency When Women Kill Newborns
- **Rashmi Goel**, Associate Professor, Sturm College of Law, University of Denver
Mistaken Belief in Consent in Rape Law
- **David Mandel**, David Mandel & Associates LLC
Feminism in Action: Domestic violence, child welfare and men: What next?

Panel C (2): Outreach Education

Chair: TBA

- **Linda Perkins**, Associate Professor, Director of Applied Women's Studies Program and Director of the Women's and Gender Studies Certificate Program, Claremont Graduate University
The Applied Women's Studies Program at Claremont Graduate University: A Model of Feminism, the Academy and Social Change
- **Aideen Quilty**, Director of Women's Studies Outreach, School of Social Justice, University College Dublin
'Kitchen Choice': Feminist in-ter-ventions within community/university education.
- **Amy Sullivan**, Director of the Self-Sufficiency Program, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
Claiming An Education: How the Self-Sufficiency Program Empowers Women, Creates Community & Brings Diversity to the University

17:00-18:00

Closing reception

Closing remarks: Conference Co-Conveners Judy Walsh and Kris Miccio

