

**Fourth Biennial EAAS Women's Network
Symposium**

***Feminisms in American Studies in/and Crisis:
Where Do We Go from Here?***

April 28 and 29, 2021

Program

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IN COLLABORATION WITH



Keynote Conversation
April 28, 2021, 19:00–20:30 pm (CET)

Jennifer C. Nash and Samantha Pinto
Black Feminism on the Edge

Chair: Ingrid Gessner and Johanna Heil

Zoom Meet and Greet: April, 29, 2021, 8:30–9:00 am (CET for all sessions)

Welcoming Remarks: 9:00–9:15 am

EAAS Women’s Network (Chair: Izabella Kimak)
Representatives of the European Association for American Studies
(Philip McGowan, Zuzanna Ładyga)

Coffee Break: 9.15–9.45 am

Session #1: 09:45 am-11:15 pm (breakout rooms)

Stream 1

Intersectionality, Transnationalism, and Critiques of Power

Chair: Tatiani Rapatzikou

Gabrielle Adjerad

Intersectional Feminism and Literature: Thinking through “Ugly Feelings”?

Katharina Wiedlack

Provincializing US Feminisms

Abigail Fagan

The Institutionalization of Women’s Studies and the Undercommons

Méliné Kasparian-Le Fèvre

Recipes for Healing: The Diversity of Care within Contemporary Chicana Literature

Stream 2

Feminist and Intersectional Activism

Chair: Anthony Castet

Laura De Vos

“Our fight today is to survive as a people”: W.A.R.N.’s Struggle for Corporal, Spiritual, and Political Sovereignty Continues

Rita Filanti

“The question of souls is old – we demand our bodies, now” (1890): Voltairine de Cleyre’s Anarchist-Feminism

Frankie Hines

Gender Violence, Power and DIY Resistance in American Anarcha-Feminist Zines

Gloria Fears-Heinzel

The Effects of Sexism and Machismo on Female Leadership in the Black Panther Party: A Case Study on Elaine Brown and Kathleen Neal Cleaver

11:15–11:45 Coffee Break

Session #2: 11:30–13:00 pm (breakout rooms)

Stream 1

Feminisms of Exclusion

Chair: Abigail Fagan

Julia Nitz

Racist Feminism(s): White Southern Women’s Post-Civil War Commemoration and Emancipation Strategies

Atalie Gerhard

Resisting Cultural Containment by Renouncing (Black) Feminism? Universalist Ideals of Conservative Black Women (2017-2020)

Małgorzata Olsza

Outside of the Collective and Outside of the “Sisterhood:” Problematic Feminist Positions in Women’s Underground Comix in the U.S.

Tatjana Neubauer

People v. O.J. Simpson: Feminist Perspectives on the ‘Trial of the Century’ and the Woman as Spectacle

Stream 2

Perspectives on Race, Borders, and Climate Injustice

Chair: Verena Laschinger

Paula von Gleich

Genealogies of Blackness in Yaa Gyasi’s *Homegoing*

Deborah Kitchen-Døderlein

Intertwining Gender and Race in *Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner*

Ewa Antoszek

Border Crossings in Ana Teresa Fernández’s “Ablution” and “Of Bodies and Borders”

Ina Batzke and Linda Hess

Thinking Pandemic Ecologies with Larissa Lai’s *Tiger Flu*

Lunch: 13:15–14:45 pm

Session #3: 14:45–16:00 pm (breakout rooms)

Stream 1

Critiques of White Fragility

Chair: Samantha Pinto

Marie Dücker

De-Constructing White Fragility in the Narrative Layers of Kiley Reid’s *Such a Fun Age*

Sandra Tausel

‘White Tears’ Feminism: A Critical Examination of Whiteness, Womanhood, and Femininity

Rimika Singhvi

Feminist Scholarship in/and the American Classroom: Political Contexts and the Cultural Landscape

Stream 2

Poetic Interventions

Chair: Susanne Leikam

Rona Cran

‘I work my ass off for all the poets’: Women Poet-Editors and Small Press Publishing in Mid-Century New York

Daniela Daniele

Ice Crossing: Lyn Hejinian and her friends in Leningrad in 1989

Yvonne Kaisinger

Activist Art and Hope in the Dark for Feminist Collaboration and Mobilization

Coffee Break: 16:00–16:30 pm

Session #4: 16:30–17:15 pm (breakout rooms)

Stream 1

Perspectives on the Global Care Chain

SESSION CANCELLED!

Stream 2

Male Feminisms and (Toxic) Masculinities

Chair: Philip Davies

Janice Lynne Deitner

Khatru 3&4 Reconsidered: Feminism, Science Fiction,
and the Perils of Utopia

Daniah Khayat

Fathering between Black Male Feminism and Toxic
Masculinity in *The Sellout*

Coffee Break: 17:15–17:30 pm

17:30-18:00 Final Discussion

Chair: Elisabetta Marino, Izabella Kimak