THIRTEENTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE ON CREATING GLOBAL CHANGE
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

THURSDAY, March 28
LEVEL 2 STUDENT UNION BUILDING

8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Prefunction Area
Registration
Coffee and Conversation

Conference Opening Remarks
Dr. Cheryl Torsney, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, MTSU
9:30-9:40 a.m.
Parliamentary Room

9:40-11:05 a.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 1: IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES, AND REIMAGINING SPACE AND PLACE

Moderator: LaToya Eaves, Global Studies, MTSU

“Where Do I Belong? Narratives of Latina/xs in Middle Tennessee”
James Chaney and Laura Clark, Middle Tennessee State University

“ICE Out of GA: Families in Fear and the Fight Against Atlanta Immigration Raids”
Rafael Solórzano, University of California, Los Angeles

“Resistance and the Alabamafication of the United States: UN/Documented Responses to the Anti-Immigrant Climate” Anne Marie Choup, University of Alabama, Huntsville

“Mobilizing Futurity: Immigrant Women and Social Activism in Toronto” Suzanne Narain, University of Toronto, Canada

11:20 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 2: GENDERED VIOLENCE AND GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS I

Moderator: Ashleigh McKinzie, Sociology, MTSU

“A Feminist Analysis of Women’s Empowerment in Humanitarian Programs for Refugees in Turkey” Kinga KarIEWSka, University of Massachusetts, Boston
“White Wednesday Hijab Protests: Transgressing Boundaries Between Virtual and Physical Space” Sarah Boroujerdi, San Francisco State University

“Domestic Violence and Transnational Families: A Case Study of the Situation of Asian Indian Migrants” Sonia Kapur, University of North Carolina, Asheville

“Female Experience: Cartel and Border Violence in Mexico” Stephanie Holt, Appalachian State University

**Student Luncheon Break Out Groups**
1:00-2:00 p.m.

**Students Meet Author**
Parliamentary Room

Daisy Hernández – Writing Biography as a Political Act
Creative writer and journalist Daisy Hernández will discuss the ways in which writing becomes a medium for political action and personal empowerment. She will share about her own experience writing her memoir, *A Cup of Water Under My Bed*.

1:00-2:00 p.m.

**SU Classroom TBA**
Million Women Mentors: How to succeed on your STEM career path.
Million Women Mentors is an international movement to spark the interest and confidence of girls and women to pursue and succeed in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) careers and leadership opportunities through the power of mentoring.

Moderators:
Lisa Rainey, WISTEM Board Member
Judith Iriarte-Gross, Director, WISTEM Center
Sheila Boyington, National Senior Advisor, Million Women Mentors/Lead, Million Women Mentors-TN

2:15-3:30 p.m.

**Parliamentary Room**
Ballroom

**Session 3: GENDERED VIOLENCE AND GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS II**

**Moderator:** Meredith Dye, Sociology, MTSU

“Girl-Child Marriage in Northern Nigeria: The Question of Congruency Between International Human Rights and Islamic Law” Muhammad-Bashor Ismail, University of Hull, United Kingdom
“Terrorism and Gender-Based Violence in North-East, Nigeria: Implications for Girl-Child Development and National Security” Imoukhuede Benedict Kayode and Owoputi James Ayodele, Rufus Giwa Polytechnic, Owo, Ondo State, Nigeria

“Caste of Women – An inquiry into the Differences in Inter-caste Marriages in an Adivasi samaj” Dhiraj Kumar, Centre for Development Practice, Ambedkar University, Delhi

“Micro-Aggressions and Immigrants” Jackie Gilbert, Middle Tennessee State University

KEYNOTE Event
Student Union Ballroom
3:45-4:15 p.m.
Entertainment: Nashville in Harmony Choral Group

Conference Welcome
Vicky MacLean, Director, Women’s and Gender Studies, MTSU

Speaker Introduction
Ashleigh McKinzie, Sociology, MTSU

4:30-5:30 p.m.
Keynote Address
Creative Writer, Daisy Hernández

5:30-6:30 p.m.
Book Signing
Prefunction Area

FRIDAY, March 29
STUDENT UNION BUILDING

8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Registration
Coffee and Conversation
Prefunction Area

9:10-10:05 a.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 4: GLOBAL LITERARY EXPRESSIONS OF GENDER AND PLACE

Moderator:
Laura White, English, MTSU
“The Representation of Arab Women: Woman and Patriarchy in Rabih Alameddine’s *An Unnecessary Woman*” Majed Alenezi, Middle Tennessee State University

“Globalized Movements: Reading the “I” in #Metoo and French Autofiction in the 21st Century,” Kathryn E. Devine, Vanderbilt University and Université Paris 8

“Borderlands: The Body as a Political Space in Ken Bugul’s *The Abandoned Baobab*” Leah Lyons, Middle Tennessee State University

“British Empire, 1850-1930: Patriarchy, Citizenship and Women’s Travel” Becky Ardrey, University of South Alabama

10:20-11:15 a.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 5: RETHINKING GENDER IN THE CONTEXT OF TRANSNATIONAL KOREA: ASPIRATIONS, LANGUAGE PRACTICES, AND CHALLENGES

Moderator: Jid Lee, English, MTSU

“Kirogi, Ten Years After: Language Ideologies and Identities in the Case of Korean Immigrant Mothers” Hakyoon Lee, Georgia State University

“Bilingual Identity of Transnational Adolescent Girls” Myoung Eun Pang, Georgia State University

“Gender Role Representation of English as a Foreign Language: Textbooks of South Korea” Jee Hye Park, Gertrude Tinker Sachs, and Gyewon Jang, Georgia State University

“Korean Mother’s Role and Engagement in Maintaining their Returnee Children’s English Proficiency in the EFL Contexts” Ji Hye Shin, Georgia State University

11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Student Union Ballroom
THEMATIC PANEL
GENDERED BODIES AND INDIGENOUS RESISTANCE IN THE BORDERLANDS

Organizer and Moderator:
Roberta Chevrette, Communication Studies, MTSU

Panelists:

Jacki Thompson Rand, University of Iowa
American Indian and Native Studies, Indian Law and Policy
Lisa Kahaleole Hall, Victoria University
America Indian and Indigenous Studies, Hawaiian Feminism
Robert Gutierrez-Perez, University of Nevada-Reno
Communication Studies, Queer Chicanos/Xiconas, Critical Performance Studies
Paul Chilsen, Middle Tennessee State University
Women and the Brazilian Amazon, Cinema Theory and Aesthetics

Concurrent Sessions
1:45-2:45 p.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 6: Global Feminist Pedagogy and Teaching to Transgress

Moderator: Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, Religious Studies, MTSU

“How Do We Learn? Challenging the Perception of Knowledge in the Academy through Academic Programs for Undergraduate Social Work Students and Women Services Users” Dr. Ronit Reuven Even-Zahav, Ruppin Academic Center, Israel

“Drawing the Line: Keeping Colorism Out of the Classroom” Paris Love and Kevin Stewart, University of Phoenix

“Transgressive Learning: The Importance of Internships and Experiential Learning for Women and Minority Students” Tierra Brooks, Middle Tennessee State University

Concurrent Sessions
1:45-2:45 p.m.
Student Union Ballroom
Session 7: THE LEGACY OF TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE IN IMMIGRANT HISPANIC FAMILIES—A THERAPIST’S PERSPECTIVE

Moderator: Kimberley Kimball, Insight Counseling, Nashville

Counselors:
Alicia Bunch Vargas, Sexual Assault Center, Nashville
Adrienne McKeon, Insight Counseling Centers, Nashville
Aleyda Sanchez, Central Care Counseling Services, LLC, Nashville
Hannah Feliciano, Insight Counseling Centers, Nashville

3:00–4:30 p.m.
Featured Film – BIRTH ON THE BORDER – by Ellie Lobovits
Welcome and Introduction:
Chandra Story, Health and Human Performance, MTSU

Moderator and Discussant: Adelle Monteblanco, Sociology, MTSU

SATURDAY, March 30
LEVEL 2 STUDENT UNION BUILDING

8:30-10:00 a.m.
Registration
Coffee and Conversation
Prefunction Area

9:00-10:15 a.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 8: GENDERED SEXUAL VIOLENCE, SOCIAL CONTROL, AND RESISTANCE

Moderator: Rebekka King, Religious Studies, MTSU

“Resistance and Reconciliation: Religious Violence and Queer Faith” Tyler Kibbey, University of Kentucky and Roddy Biggs, Middle Tennessee State University

“The Customary Stigma and Identity Collapse among (LGBTQ) in India—A Study on Transgenders in Kerala” V.A Haseena, Kalladi College, Kerala, India

“Medically Policing Black Female Bodies’: Black Women’s Experiences with Birth Control” Savannah Scott, Southwestern University

“A Scary Time for Men?: #HimToo and the Fear of False Sexual Assault Allegations” L’Oreal Stephens, Middle Tennessee State University

10:30-11:45 a.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 9: WOMEN AND GLOBAL POLITICS

Moderator: Ida Fadzillah, Anthropology, MTSU

“Puerto Rican Women Before and After Maria” Donna M. Dopwell, Middle Tennessee State University
“Anti-Immigration Rhetoric, Populism, and FemoNationalism in Anti-Gender Campaigns”
Alina Hechler, University of Kentucky


“It is not a Scarf! The Hijab, Rhetorical Battleground, and American Muslim Culture”
Patrick Richey, Middle Tennessee State University

“Women Thespio-Industrialists of India—Jayaprada—A Critical Study” Avadhanula Vijayakumar Babu, Lakshmi Vasudha, and Chandra Sekhar, Osmania University, Hyderabad, India

12:00-1:15 p.m.
Parliamentary Room
Session 10: AFRO-CARIBBEAN WOMEN STUDIES IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD: KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION IN THE CARIBBEAN AND LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURES

Moderator: Akia Jackson, English, MTSU and University of Iowa

“Beyond Borders: Negotiating Spaces in Afro-Brazilian Women Writers” Luciana Prestes, Middle Tennessee State University

“The Nuances of Race: An Examination of Afro-Latina Writers” Eduardo Garcia, Middle Tennessee State University

“The Representation of Caribbean Women through Literature” Patty Campbell, Middle Tennessee State University

“The Role of Motherhood in Black Women’s Literature in Latin America and the Caribbean” Stella Himmelreich, Murfreesboro, TN

1:30-2:45 p.m.
Session 11: CULTURAL CONSTRUCTIONS OF GENDER
Parliamentary Room

Moderator: L’Oreal Stephens, Communication Studies, MTSU

“Narrative Stories of Bereaved Mothers of Sons Lost to Police Shootings” Elizabeth Stephens, Middle Tennessee State University

“Denaturalizing ‘Natural’ Disasters: Advocacy and an International Ethics of Safety” Cindy LaCom, Slippery Rock University, and Sara Naughton, University of Northern Iowa

“Gender Under Cover: How Gender is Made Meaningful on the Covers of Time and Newsweek” Liala Lynell Syler, Motlow State Community College

“The Evolution of Disney Princesses from Fair Maidens to Modern Women” Teresa Collard and Lisa LeBleu, University of Tennessee, Martin