Thursday January 28, 2016

9:00-9:05  Opening Remarks: Prof. Jeffrey G. Reitz, Harney Program Director

9:05-10:35  SESSION 1: Identity
Discussant:  Prof. Neda Maghbouleh (Sociology, University of Toronto Mississauga)
Chair:  Victoria Heath (Munk School of Global Affairs, MGA program)
Maida Amir (Communication Studies and Multimedia, McMaster University, MA program)
Canadian Identity in Diaspora: Reviewing Cricket as a Transnational Media Product
Francesca Serena Pecora (University of Toronto, Political Science, MA program)
The Making of Whiteness during the 1964 Freedom Summer
Jessica Whitehead (York University, Communication & Culture, PhD program)
The Cinema Culture of Northeastern Ontario Mining Communities and the Italian-Canadian Experience

10:35-10:45  BREAK

10:45-12:15  SESSION 2: Social Policy
Discussant:  Prof. Rupaleem Bhuyan (Social Work, University of Toronto)
Chair:  Rochelle Wijesingha (Sociology, McMaster University, PhD program)
Sigrid Roman (University of Toronto, Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, MEd program)
Beyond Talking: A Look at Immigrant Students in Schools And Their Needs Outside English Language Acquisition
Danielle Ridout (University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs, Faculty of Law, JD / MGA program)
(De)Nationalizing Sports: Examining the Sticky Wicket of Citizenship Rules at the Olympics
Anastasia Leshchyshyn (University of Toronto, CERES, MA program)
Ethnic Minorities in the Child Protection Systems of Hungary and Romania: The Case of the Roma

12:15-13:00  LUNCH (Second Floor Lounge)

13:00-14:30  SESSION 3: Stories of displacement
Discussant:  Prof. Audrey Macklin (Law, School of Public Policy, University of Toronto)
Chair:  Dirk Rodricks (Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, OISE, University of Toronto, PhD program)
Man Xu (University of Toronto, Sociology, PhD program)
Contesting Displacement: A Case Study of the Syrian Refugee Crisis in Lebanon
Hawa Mire (York University, Faculty of Environmental Studies, MES program)
The Somali Imaginary in a Contemporary Refugee Diaspora
Sabrine Azraq (University of Toronto, OISE, Social Justice Education, M.Ed program) and Ruba Najjar (University of Toronto alumna)
University Campuses: Sites of Resistance and Repression for Students in Solidarity with Palestine

14:30-14:45  BREAK

14:45-16:15  SESSION 4: Muslim Immigrant Integration
Discussant:  Prof. Robert Brym (Sociology, University of Toronto)
Chair:  Jeffrey Reitz (Professor, Harney Program Director, University of Toronto)
Emily Laxer (University of Michigan, Sociology, post-doctoral fellow)
Do National Integration Discourses Affect Muslims’ Political Incorporation? A Comparison of France, Québec and the Rest of Canada.
Marie-Pier Joly (University of Toronto, Sociology, PhD program)
Emotional Stress and the Integration of Muslim Minorities in France, Québec, and Anglophone Canada.
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9:30-11:30  SESSION 5: Integration
Discussant:  Prof. Matthew Light (Criminology, University of Toronto)
Chair:  Emily Mooney (Social Work, University of Toronto, MSW program)
Siobhan Kirkland (University of Toronto, CERES, MA program)
Current Barriers to Migration Reform in Russia
Jonathan Trefz (University of Toronto, CERES, MA program)
Eurasian Integration: Authoritarian Self-Preservation in an Uncertain World
Peter Haastrup (Ryerson University, Policy Studies, PhD program)
Acculturation and Social Networks among North and West African International students
Milos Brocic (University of Toronto, Sociology, PhD program)
Housing and Assimilation

11:30-12:40  SESSION 6: Gender
Discussant:  Prof. Judith Taylor (Sociology, Women and Gender Studies, University of Toronto)
Chair:  Hannah Cohen (Munk School of Global Affairs, MGA program)
Dirk J. Rodricks (University of Toronto, OISE, Curriculum Teaching and Learning, PhD program)
Unmapping the Toronto Male Bathhouse through "Kotha"
Fatima Altaf (University of Toronto, Political Science, MA program)
Hidden in Plain Sight: A Change in Public Discourse Surrounding Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

12:40-13:30  LUNCH (Second Floor Lounge)

14:00-16:00  KEYNOTE LECTURE (Munk School of Global Affairs Observatory Site, Boardroom 315 Bloor Street West)

Ayesha S. Chaudhry (Associate Professor of Islamic Studies and Gender Studies, University of British Columbia, Rita E. Hauser Research Fellow, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University)

"(Im)Moral Scholarship: The Politics of Responsible Scholarship"

Abstract: In this talk, we will discuss the impossible space occupied by "Muslim feminists", who simultaneously engage in an internal critique of patriarchal interpretations of their own religious tradition, while also critiquing neo-imperialist and neo-colonialist agendas imposed upon them. In their work, Muslim feminists often come under vehement critique from various parties. The very phrase "Muslim feminist" is seen by some as a contradiction in terms, such that one cannot possibly be both Muslim and feminist at the same time. Muslim feminists are accused by "patriarchal co-religionists" who promote patriarchal versions of the religion, "cultural relativist liberals" who suspend all moral judgement when approaching a culture they do not consider their own, and "supercessionist feminists" who see religion as irredeemably patriarchal, for being "inauthentic", and "compromising" fundamental values of religion and/or feminism. In this lecture, I will discuss the ways in which Muslim feminists navigate this difficult terrain, thinking about the unique challenges they face.

Ayesha S. Chaudhry is the Rita E. Hauser fellow at Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University. She is Associate Professor of Islamic studies and gender studies at the University of British Columbia (UBC). She is the author of Domestic Violence and the Islamic Tradition: Ethics, Law, and the Muslim Discourse on Gender (Oxford University Press, 2014). She has consulted on high-level national and international cases concerning human rights and religious pluralism and freedom, as well as on divorce cases involving Muslim-majority countries.

She is a contributor to the Globe and Mail. Chaudhry has been an Early Career Scholar at the Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies at UBC.