



Women, Ageing and Media International Research Summer School (2016)

Overview:

The 2016 International Women, Ageing and Media (WAM) Research Summer School (at the University of Gloucestershire) will take place in Cheltenham (UK) on 23rd and 24th June and will bring together international postgraduate researchers across disciplines whose research engages with women and ageing.

The theme for this year's Summer School is 'doing boundary work' and invites presentations that engage with concepts, questions, methods and theories involved at the intersections of where women and ageing come together with:

- Screen cultures
- Technologies
- Popular music
- Popular Culture
- Cultural activity
- Creativity
- Lived experience

We are delighted to announce that Professor Barbara Crow will also be participating and will provide the keynote presentation/workshop as part of our programme. Professor Crow is the Dean and AVP Graduate in the Faculty of Graduate Studies at York University, Canada. In addition to feminism and women's studies, her research interests are in the social, cultural, political and economic implications of digital technologies.

The Summer School will provide excellent opportunities for postgraduate researchers to make important connections with other researchers working in the field of Ageing Studies and, in addition to presenting work, there will be research training workshops exploring methods and conceptual issues relating to women and ageing studies. All participants will be expected to publish their reworked presentations or creative output in the *Postgraduate Journal of Women, Ageing and Media* as an event outcome (see <http://wamuog.co.uk/pgwam-issue-2>).

Call for abstracts:

Proposals for 20 minute presentations are invited from doctoral and early career researchers at any stage of their work and from any discipline whose topics are relevant to the conference theme and approaches as outlined above.

Presentations may take the form of papers, posters, films and multimedia presentations.

Please submit an abstract of 200 words by February 28th 2016 to wambookings@glos.ac.uk

Your abstract details should include:

- Your name, email address, institutional affiliation and, if applicable, year of study (please indicate if your research centre is a member of the [ACT partnership](#))
- Title of PhD/Research Project and disciplinary field
- Up to five key words, which will help reviewers classify your panel
- Technical requirements for presentation

We will confirm whether you have a place by 8th March 2016. The deadline for registration and payment is 1st May 2016. There is a fee of £60 (unwaged) and £100 (waged) which covers Summer School participation (including lunch and refreshments each day).

Scholars who are members of the ACT partnership are eligible for funding towards their participation providing their research aligns with ACT research themes and the themes of the Summer School.

A full programme plus details for registration travel and accommodation will appear on the WAM webpage and WAM Facebook by the end of June, once places have been confirmed: <http://wamuog.co.uk>.

If you have any queries please contact Professor Ros Jennings (Director of Women, Ageing and Media, University of Gloucestershire), rjennings@glos.ac.uk