



genderED Newsletter June 2022

Dear friends,

We hope you are all keeping well.

In this month's newsletter, you will find updates on genderED's recent events, including our Spring Into Methods Workshop and our Annual Research Showcase. We also share news regarding the winners of genderED and EUSA's new series 'Undergraduate Feminist Trailblazers', and the achievements of our steering group members. We also highlight some upcoming events that may be of interest.

With very best wishes,
The genderED team

Announcements

Over the past month, genderED has hosted multiple events, including the SGSSS-SGSAH-funded **Spring Into Methods Workshop**, 'Doing Feminist Research' with Strathclyde University Feminist Research Network. We invite you to read the blogs written by workshop participants now posted on the genderED website.

genderED's **Annual Research Showcase** returned this year after a two-year hiatus. The Showcase began with a roundtable on 'Doing Gender and Sexualities Research', chaired by Professor Fiona Mackay (SPS) and featuring Dr Ale Boussalem (GeoSciences), Dr Rosalind Cavaghan (Independent Researcher), Professor Louise Jackson (HCA) and Dr Radhika Govinda (SPS). The Showcase then featured 26 poster presentations on the fascinating gender and sexualities-related research being conducted by a wide and diverse range of academics at the University of Edinburgh. We thank everyone who presented and participated in the event, as well as

those who joined us on the day. We invite you to keep an eye out for upcoming blog posts sharing the highlights of the Showcase.

The winners of genderED and EUSA's new series, **Undergraduate Feminist Trailblazers**, were announced. Winning first place was Katie Horsburgh (Sociology, 4th year), followed by Jaime Llorente Prada (International Relations and International Law, 3rd year), and Shy Zvouloun (Law, 4th year). Two additional nominees received honourable mentions: Pia Wahi-Singh (Undergraduate Medicine MBChB, 3rd year) and Rebecca Gascoigne (Spanish, 4th year). Blogs highlighting the work of the winners will be published over the course of the summer and shared in future newsletters.

The Gender Politics Reading Group launched its inaugural '**Deep Dive**', with the support of genderED and CRITIQUE. The Deep Dive is a series of 7 events, held over 6 weeks, designed to acquaint (or re-acquaint) academic staff and PGT students with the seminal works of a particularly notable feminist scholar. The Deep Dive represents an unparalleled opportunity for time strapped academics to develop thoroughgoing and critical insights into feminist theory. This year's Reading Group explores the work of **Judith Butler**, Maxine Elliot Professor in the Department of Comparative Literature and the Program of Critical Theory at the University of California, Berkeley.

The work of genderED's Founding Director Professor Fiona Mackay, and Steering Group member and co-convener of genderED's flagship course Understanding Gender in the Contemporary World Meryl Kenny, was recently recognised as part of the **CAHSS Staff Recognition Awards**. Professor Mackay received the Head of College Award for Exceptional Service and Dr Kenny the Excellence in Leadership Award. The genderED team congratulates them both for these well-deserved awards.

Events



“Abolishing legal sex: The challenges, risks, and pleasures of prefigurative law reform”, Prof. Davina Cooper, KCL.

16th June 2022, 15:00 BST.

This talk, co-sponsored by genderED and GenderPol, will discuss what the decertification of sex and gender means and does as a de-formalisation

initiative, the criticisms and challenges it faces, and approaching it as a prefigurative law reform project and question.

Tickets [here](#).



Book Launch: Millicent Garrett Fawcett Selected Writings.

28th June 2022, 16:00-17:30 BST.

In conversation with Professor Fiona Mackay (SPS), Professor Melissa Terras (ECA) and Elizabeth Crawford (independent Suffrage Historian) will discuss their new edited collection: Millicent Garrett Fawcett: Selected Writings (UCL Press, 2022).

Tickets [here](#).

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ACADEMIC WRITING FOR THE PUBLIC

**JULY 5 & AUG 18
10 AM - 12 PM**

Two workshops to help PhD researchers in gender and sexuality studies to generate ideas, polish drafts, and craft public writing!

Workshops on Academic Writing for the Public.

5th July and 18th July, 10:00-12:00 BST

Are you an Early Career Researcher at the University of Edinburgh who would like to communicate your research on gender and sexuality to a public audience? Join us in a two-part workshop to learn how to pitch an idea, write for a general audience, and distil your findings! On July 5 (10 am - 12 pm), selected participants will meet to ideate and develop themes from their own research to be published in the [ECR Spotlight series](#) on the genderED blog. On August 18th (10 am - 12 pm), we will meet to workshop and finalize blog posts. Participants can expect to leave with concrete takeaways on how to translate research for public audiences and a piece of their own publishable writing. **To apply send a brief paragraph outlining your PhD research to our Associate Director Hemangini Gupta (hemangini.gupta@ed.ac.uk) and cc to Lauren Galligan (lgallig2@ed.ac.uk) by June 20, 2022.** Spaces for workshop participants are limited to 12–15 participants.

Lunchtime Seminar – Gender, health, and Displacement in Somalia

15th June 12:00-13:00 BST

Join us for an informal lunchtime seminar and discussion with our research partners Dr Amina Jama Mahmud and Ahmed Bile from the Somali Institute for Research Development and Analysis (SIDRA), who are visiting us this week. Amina and Ahmed will be discussing their work on gender, health, and displacement on Wednesday 15th June at 12-1pm in the Violet Laidlaw room, CMB. Lunch will be provided, courtesy of the Edinburgh Centre for Medical Anthropology.

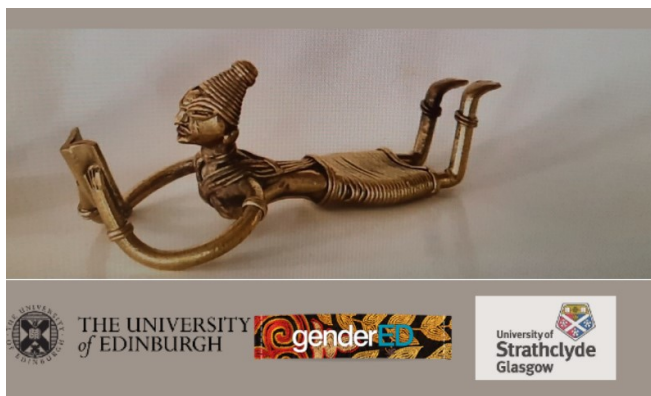
Amina is a co-investigator and Ahmed is a research fellow on the ESRC GCRF project [Improving healthcare at the intersection of gender and protracted displacement amongst Somali and Congolese refugees and IDPs](#). Amina is also the Director of Research and Senior Gender Advisor at SIDRA and is the founder of Women in Global Health (Somalia).

Blogs and Resources



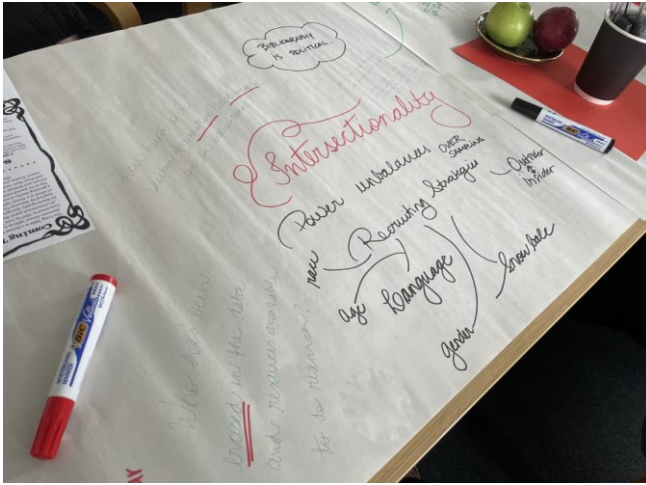
genderED Annual Research Showcase 2022

<https://www.gender.ed.ac.uk/annual-research-showcase-2022-promo/>



“Doing Feminist Research” – Spring into Methods Workshop 2022

<https://www.gender.ed.ac.uk/doing-feminist-research-spring-into-methods-workshop-2022/>



"What does feminist research mean to you?" – Spring into Methods Workshop 2022

<https://www.gender.ed.ac.uk/reflections-what-does-feminist-research-mean-to-you/>