# Errant Syllabi: Latin American and Latinx Feminist, Cuir/Queer, and Gender Theory

#### **Dates:**

October 18-20, 2019

#### **Location:**

Simpson Querrey Biomedical Research Center (SQBRC) 303 E. Superior St., Chicago, IL 60611

Plenary Room: SQBRC 2-200 (20p capacity)
Break Out Room A: SQBRC 2-220 (16p capacity)
Break Out Room B: SQBRC 1M-206 (6p capacity)
Break Out Room C: SQBRC 1M-210 (12p capacity)

**Group A:** Carmen DeSchryver (NU), Tania Gisel Tovar Cervantes (UNAM), Cintia Martínez Velasco (NU/UNAM), Zorimar Rivera Montes (NU), Andy Parker (RU)

**Group B:** Taylor Rogers (NU), Rafael Vizcaino (RU), Andrés Mendieta (NU/UNTREF), Marisa Belausteguigoitia (UNAM)

**Group C:** Penelope Deutscher (NU), Alicia Nuñez (NU), Paulina Barrios (RU), Alonso Alarcón Múgica (UNAM), Rian Lozano (UNAM)

### **Draft Schedule**

### Friday, October 18

Travelers from Rutgers arrive by 11:40am at Chicago O'Hare Airport Travelers from UNAM arrive at 12:20pm at Chicago O'Hare Airport

Hotel check-in at 3pm - Club Quarters Hotel, 75 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago IL 60601

| Time          | Activity  | Notes  | Location                     |
|---------------|---|--|------------------------------|
| 15:30 – 17:30 | Conversation with Belausteguigoitia and Lozano  Light Refreshments (coffee, tea, cake, fruit)   | <ul> <li>Topics of discussion:         <ul> <li>Founding and running gender studies programs</li> <li>Aims and practices in devising syllabit for these programs</li> </ul> </li> <li>This will not be a formal presentation, rather a conversation that is open to questions from and engagement with workshop participants.</li> <li>Catering by Michaels</li> </ul>   | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200 |
| 17:30-20:00   | Planning Meeting for graduate students  | Planning meeting facilitated by Andrew Parker and Cintia Velasco for production of one or more collective syllabi over the weekend:  • Small group discussion of protocols/practicalities • Students' selection of their own facilitators/group leaders. (One faculty member will sit with each group) • Each group will produce at least 1 syllabus or syllabus component (sequence of weeks as a product of their discussion- groups should look at the schedule and make plans in the unscheduled time according to group needs).  Free time for Belausteguigoitia and Lozano.  Deutscher at another academic event in Evanston 18:00-19:30 | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200 |
| 20:30         | Downtown dinner: Indian Garden Restaurant (247 E Ontario St, Chicago, IL 60611) Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:ctcprojects@northwestern.edu">ctcprojects@northwestern.edu</a> by Friday, October 11, 2019 |  |                              |

## Saturday October 19

| Activity   | Notes  | Location   |
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| Catered breakfast and coffee/tea   | Catering by Michaels   | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200                               |
| Introductions  | Presentations of current interests and projects.   | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200                               |
|  | Individual presentations: 5 minutes<br>Group presentations: 20 minutes (for a<br>group of 4)   |  |
| Group breakout "teach in" sessions   | Each participant teaches the core concept/keyword they have chosen and leads discussion of related excerpts from chosen texts.   | Breakout<br>Room A<br>(Group A):<br>SQBRC 2-220            |
|  | Group A: Carmen (NU), Gisela (UNAM), Cintia (NU/UNAM), Zorimar (NU), Andy (RU)   | Breakout Room B (Group B): SQBRC 1M-206                    |
|  | Group B: Taylor (NU), Rafael (RU),<br>Andres (NU/UNTREF), Marisa (UNAM)  | Breakout<br>Room C   |
|  | Group C: Penny (NU), Alicia (NU),<br>Paulina (RU), Alonso (UNAM), Rian<br>(UNAM)   | (Group C):<br>SQBRC 1M-210                                 |
| Plenary session  | Small groups summarize discussion, choice of concepts, issues that arose (discussion facilitated by small group graduate conveners)  | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200                               |
| Catered Lunch  | Catering by Michaels   |  |
| Exercise led by<br>Belausteguigoitia,<br>Lozano, Tovar<br>Cervantes, and<br>Alarcón Múgica | An exercise to help make visible the Latin American, Latinx Feminist Cuir/Quir and Gender Theory texts.  | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200                               |
| Group breakout "syllabus" sessions:  | Critical discussion by each participant of the  "Latin American and/or Latinx Feminist, Cuir/Queer, and Gender Theory"  syllabus for examples each has chosen for the purposes of discussion  (These can be real, hypothetical, their own, a section of their own, that of another | Breakout Room A: SQBRC 2-220 Breakout Room B: SQBRC 1M-206 |
|  | Catered breakfast and coffee/tea  Introductions  Group breakout "teach in" sessions  Plenary session  Catered Lunch  Exercise led by Belausteguigoitia, Lozano, Tovar Cervantes, and Alarcón Múgica  Group breakout  | Catered breakfast and coffee/tea                           |

|             | Light Refreshments<br>(coffee, tea, cake, fruit)  | internet, our shared box of volunteered examples etc.)  Catering by Michaels   | Breakout<br>Room C:<br>SQBRC 1M-210 |
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| 16:00-20:30 | Free time   | Tourism Recommendations: (All 15 minute walk away)  •Wendella Lake & River Architectural boat tour (USD 39) depts from river crossing on Michigan avenue; •Michigan Avenue Shops/dept stores are open till 7; •The Signature Lounge in John Hancock Building (free views from 96th floor with a cocktail) •Escape Room •Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA) - \$8 admission fee for students and teachers | City of Chicago                     |
| 20:30       | Working dinner for all participants at <b>880 N Lake Shore Drive</b> , <b>apartment 21E</b> (Host: Andrew Parker)  Plenary session: groups report back on small group syllabus discussion |  |                                     |

## **Sunday October 20**

Guests check out from hotel, bring bags to venue

| Time        | Activity                         | Notes  | Location                              |
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| 9:30-10:30  | Introductions                    | <ul> <li>Introduction to the working day.</li> <li>Quick group discussion re morning plans<br/>for small group syllabi cooperation</li> </ul>                                    | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200          |
|             | Catered breakfast and coffee/tea | Catering by Michaels   |                                       |
| 10:30-13:00 | Break out, small group sessions. | Formulation of suggested syllabus reflecting weekend discussion.   | Breakout Room<br>A: SQBRC 2-220       |
|             |                                  | Suggested aim, where possible, is to base either all or some of syllabus on a sequence "manoeuvres".   | <b>Breakout Room B:</b> SQBRC 1M- 206 |
|             |                                  | As per the discussion of this term (manoeuvres / movidas) by Marisa Belausteguigoitia and colleagues in "Introduction to Critical Terms in Caribbean and Latin American Thought" | Breakout Room<br>C: SQBRC 1M-<br>210  |

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|             |   | And by Rían Lozano and colleagues in "Decolonizing the Public University: A collaborative and decolonising approach towards (un )teaching and Unlearning "(Marfa del Socorro (Coco) Gutierrez Magallanes, Nina Hoechtl and Rian Lozano) |                                   |
|             |   | 1 laptop will be available for each group   |                                   |
| 12.00.14.00 | D1 ·  | (3 total)   | DI D                              |
| 13:00-14:00 | Plenary session                                     | Summaries from small group discussion of syllabus principles, revisions, issues, ideas, Presentation  | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200      |
|             | Catered Lunch                                       | Catering by Michaels  | Laptop<br>Projection<br>Available |
| 14:30-16:00 | A syllabus of up to 9<br>pedagogical<br>manoeuvres  | Final session lead by Marisa<br>Belausteguigoitia and Andy Parker   | Plenary Room:<br>SQBRC 2-200      |
|             |   | Final production of a group syllabus based on sections and contributions from small group discussion.   | Laptop<br>Projection<br>Available |
|             |   | Collection discussion/assembling of a syllabus of up to 9 pedagogical manoeuvres reflecting the weekend's work  |                                   |
|             | Light Refreshments<br>(coffee, tea, cake,<br>fruit) | Catering by Michaels  |                                   |
| 16.00       | Farewells.  |   |                                   |
| 16:00       | Ubers/taxis from venue                              | to airport  |                                   |