



**The 8th Annual Gesa E. Kirsch Graduate Student
Symposium
Center for Writing Studies
Friday, April 21st, 2017
104 Illini Union**

8:00 am-8:15 am: Welcome and Opening Remarks by Paul Prior, CWS Director; and Gesa E. Kirsch, Professor of English, Bentley University

8:20 am-9:10 am: Assumptions Across Media: Teaching, Identity, and American Culture

Dorothy Mayne: American Media as Cultural Education (or not?)

Andy Bowman: Communism, Queerness, and Criminality: The Rhetoric of the Lavender Scare

Paul Beilstein: The Pedagogical Nina Simone

Chair: Spencer Schaffner

9:15 am-10:15 am: Writing Consultants-as-Researchers: Preliminary Reflections on Online Writing Tutorial Study Design

María Carvajal, Logan Middleton, Allison Kranek, Lisa Chason, and Dorothy Mayne

Chair: Carolyn Wisniewski

10:25 am-11:15 am: Reframing Understandings at the University: Transfer, Student Development, and Gendered Space

Nicole Turnipseed: Breaking Down Boundaries: Deconstructing and Transforming the Ill-Fitting Metaphors of Transfer Research

Bruce Kovanen: The Student as Developmental Project: Conceptions of Students in Transfer Research

Evin Groundwater: "Campuses Are Anti-Male": Spatial Rhetorics and the Men's Rights Movement

Chair: J. David Cisneros

11:20 am-12:30 pm: Lunch at Bevier Cafe

12:45 pm-1:30 pm: **Feminist Maker Culture: A Work in Progress**
Keynote by Mary Sheridan, Professor of English, University of Louisville

1:40 pm-2:40 pm: Research Planning Workshop with Mary Sheridan

Paul Beilstein, Nicole Turnipseed, and Evin Groundwater

Mary Sheridan will lead a group workshop discussing the three participants' research plans. All are welcome to attend and participate in this workshop.

2:50-3:50pm: Negotiating Intersectional Voices and Contexts

Serena Koissaba: Africana Feminism and Representations in the Transnational Feminist Movement

Hannah Harris: Students' Dialogic Negotiations of Teacher-Centric Practices

Dan Zhang: Who is Speaking for Whom?: Discourse Analysis on an Interview on How a Chinese Student Learns Chinese and English Composition in China

Chair: Lindsay Rose Russell

4:00-5:00pm: Dissertation Reflections

Kaia Simon, Katherine Flowers, Maggie Shelledy, Katrina Kennett, Scott Filkins

Chair: Catherine Prendergast

5:00 pm: Happy Hour at Murphy's Pub – All Welcome!

A very special thanks to:

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