

Kurzbiografie

Bonnie Spanier



ist Biologin und eine international renommierte Expertin für Gender Studies in der Biologie. Sie lehrt und forscht an der University at Albany (New York, USA) über Frauen und Gesundheit, Feministische Theorie sowie Gender in den Naturwissenschaften.

Prof. Spanier ist Mitgründerin und Vize-Präsidentin der ‚Capital Region Action Against Breast Cancer‘. Ihre Forschung wurde von dem National Institute of Health, der American Lung Association und dem Bunting Institute of Radcliffe College gefördert und darüber hinaus mit dem „University at Albany’s Bread and Roses Award“ und dem „Albany NOW’s Making Waves Award“ ausgezeichnet.

Ausgewählte Veröffentlichungen

- Im/Partial Science: Gender Ideology in Molecular Biology (Indiana University Press, 1995)
- 'Your Silence Will Not Protect You': Feminist Science Studies, Breast Cancer, and Activism (in Mayberry, Subramanian, and Weasel, eds. Feminist Science Studies: A New Generation. 2001)
- What Made Ellen (and Anne) Gay? Feminist Critique of Popular and Scientific Beliefs (in Marchessault and Sawchuck, eds. Wild Science: Feminist Readings of Science, Medicine, and the Media. 2000)
- Transforming Science Curricula in Higher Education: Feminist Contributions (Science and Engineering Ethics, 6. 2000)

Öffentlicher Vortrag

Feminism, Science, and Politics: From Bacteria to Breast Cancer

Critics and sceptics of feminism may see "feminism and science" as contradiction. The history of feminist engagement with science (in the United States) includes significant examples of feminism and science working together in synergy, creating more accurate science while supporting equality for women. Bonnie Spanier's analysis of molecular biology through a feminist lens exposed the power of masculinist ideology to distort our understanding of biology at the cell and molecular levels. The consequences of not controlling for sexist/racist beliefs in the sciences are illustrated in the predominant approaches to treating and curing cancer.

Professor Spanier's application to breast cancer of Sandra Harding's "strong objectivity" provides a powerful and necessary tool for bio-medical research to benefit women's lives.

Ort: Carl-von-Ossietzky-Universität
Raum A4 0-022

Zeit: 24. April 2007, 18:15 Uhr

Vortragsangebote

- "Feminism and Science: Contradiction or Synergy?"
- "Breast Cancer Advocacy: Informed Consumer or Passive Patient?"
- "Politics and Science in the United States"

Seminar

Scientific Objectivity and Politics: Women's Health Issues around the Globe

This course will investigate current concerns about health through intersectional feminist analysis and activism around the globe. Two questions that will guide the opening of the course are: How does feminist (and related) activism improve women's health? And: What is the role of scientific objectivity, particularly evidence-based medicine, in women's health activism. Students' interests will develop additional themes and questions to guide our investigations.

Feminist and related movements for social justice have long recognized health as a basic human right. Many of the world's nations, however, including the United States, do not. Critical feminist issues (such as birthing practices and reproduction; illness, disease, and mortality across socio-economics status; racial-ethnic heritages, sexualities and practices; violence against women and children; women's roles in different health/medical systems) will be investigated at specific sites and moments around the world.

Das Seminar findet ab Semesterbeginn bis zum 21.05.07 montags von 16 – 20h in Raum A2 3-334 statt.

● Seminar

Is Biology Destiny? Historical and Current Issues in Biological Determinism

Histories of Western science reveal biases that have played a significant role in supporting systems of inequality (sexism, racism, heterosexism, class bias, ethnocentrism, disability bias, global status, and such). Even the questions: What counts as legitimate science? Who is or can be a scientist? engage with a legacy of beliefs about biology determining our behaviours and status.

We will investigate the histories of constructing the meaning of differences in Western societies. Students will explore the state of biological determinist beliefs and science in their own countries today.

Fr 20.04.07, 16 - 18, A01 0-007

Sa 21.04.07, 13 -18, A01 0-009

So 22.04.07, 14 - 17, A01 0-009

Sa 05.05.07, 14 - 17, A01 0-007

So 06.05.07, 14 - 17, A01 0-007

Sa 19.05.07, 14 - 17, A01 0-009

So 20.05.07, 14 - 17, A01 0-009

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Ihre wissenschaftlichen Schwerpunkte sind Gender und Biologie, Naturwissenschaften und Politiken des Brustkrebes.

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www.uni-oldenburg.de/zfg/aktuell/gastprof.htm

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