"A Queer Decade: Taking Stock of Studies in Sex, Culture, and Society"

José Esteban Muñoz
Mon., Feb 17, 4 p.m., Tows 2154
“A Phenomenology of Brown Feelings: La Lupe in New York.”
José Muñoz is an associate professor of performance studies at Tisch School of the Arts, New York University. He is the author of Disidentifications: Queers of Color and the Performance of Politics (Minnesota, 1998) and numerous essays in queer performance studies.

Judith Halberstam
Mon., March 10, 4 p.m., Tows 2154
“Shadows on a Dime: Subcultural Lives and Queer Temporalities.”
Judith Halberstam is a professor of literature at the University of California, San Diego. She is the author of Female Masculinity (Duke, 1998) and Skin Shows: Gothic Horror and the Technology of Monsters (Duke, 1995) and co-author, with Del LaGrace Volcano, of The Drag King Book (Serpent’s Tail, 1999).

Chai R. Feldblum
Mon., April 7, 4 p.m., Tows 2154
“Rectifying the Tilt: Equality Lessons from Religion, Disability, Sexual Orientation, and Transgender”
Chai Feldblum is a professor of law and director of the Federal Legislation Clinic at the Georgetown University Law Center. She is the author of numerous law review articles on same-sex marriage and disability law and played a leading role in the drafting and negotiating of the Americans with Disabilities Act. She does scholarly work and practical advocacy in the areas of disability rights, lesbian and gay rights, and health and social welfare legislation.

Steven Seidman
Mon., April 28, 4 p.m., Tows 2154
“Beyond the Closet: Lesbians and Gays Today.”
Steven Seidman is a professor of sociology at the University at Albany, State University of New York. He is the author or editor of more than a dozen books in social theory, sexuality, and comparative sociology, including Beyond the Closet: The Transformation of Lesbian and Gay Life (Routledge, 2002), Difference Troubles: Queering Social Theory and Sexual Politics (Cambridge, 1997), and Queer Theory/ Sociology (Blackwell, 1995).

Mark your calendars, and spread the word!

Maryland’s new undergraduate certificate program in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies is sponsoring a spring lecture series in conjunction with its inaugural seminar. The series and the seminar are called, “A Queer Decade: Taking Stock of Studies in Sex, Culture, and Society.” Our goal, as the program marks its official coming-out, is to offer students, faculty, and the campus community an opportunity to reflect upon the current state of studies of sexuality in a range of disciplines and sub-disciplines. To that end, we have invited four distinguished speakers to campus.

Each lecture will be followed by a reception.

This series is sponsored by the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies Program, a unit in the Division of Undergraduate Studies. We are located in Tows 1147 • Phone: 301-405-LGBT (5428) • email: lgbts@mail.umd.edu • web: www.lgbts.umd.edu

Join us in celebrating the official arrival of LGBT Studies at Maryland and the vitality and diversity of the field today.