

UB Gender Institute Message from the Director Regarding COVID-19

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Dear Gender Institute Community,

As we shift to online teaching this week, I want to reach out to all of you about changes we have made at the UB Gender Institute for the remaining weeks of the semester. In light of Governor Cuomo's SUNY guidelines regarding COVID-19, we have canceled all remaining events. Many of those will be rescheduled for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Despite these cancellations, I am pleased to report that our services to graduate students will continue through online meetings. Thanks to our Graduate Assistant, Hilary Vandebark, our doctoral dissertation writing workshop will continue meeting online weekly; and our work-in-progress seminars with Gender Institute and Humanities Institute Dissertation Fellows will also continue online.

We have also **extended the deadline** for the 2020-2021 Gender Institute **Ph.D. Dissertation Fellowship** to **Monday, April 20th**. For more information about this opportunity including application materials, please click [here](#).

Even from a distance, you can continue to stay in touch with the Gender Institute. You may enjoy our [Gender Matters podcast](#) featuring recent events and members of the UB community in stimulating conversations about policy, research, and art. You can also catch past programming on the [Gender Institute YouTube Channel](#). We hope to have the video/audio from the Legacies of Suffrage: Women's Activism Then and Now symposium posted to our YouTube Channel shortly.

If you would like to spearhead any collaborative workshops to keep us connected (online reading groups, online writing groups), please feel free to contact me and we can post in next Monday's e-newsletter.

In these unsettling and uncertain times, we will do our best to facilitate a (virtual) community as we adjust together to the new demands and challenges ahead.

Warm wishes,
Carrie