

Trans Materialities *relating across difference*

**UCSC Science Studies Cluster
Graduate Student Conference
Friday, May 22nd, Humanities 1 210**

Focusing on questions of materiality that have been vital to the tradition of feminist science studies, this conference will explore practices of relating across and between genders, species, spaces, knowledges, sexualities, subjectivities, and temporalities. At stake in these conversations are questions of being/becoming, knowing, getting along together, and living well in technoscientific worlds.

9:00-9:15: **Opening Statements:** Martha Kenney and Mary Weaver, UCSC Science Studies Cluster

9:15-10:45: **Apparatuses of Bodily Production**

Janelle Lamoreaux- The Seed worth Sending to Space: Explorations in Chinese Semen Analysis

Benjamin Roome- The Materialization of ADHD

Sara Orning- Manipulable Materialities: How the Monster gave us the Human

Respondent: **Maureen McNeil**, Centre for Gender and Women's Studies and Centre for Economic and Social Aspects of Genomics, Lancaster University

11:00-12:30: **Towards Intimate Understandings**

Natalie Purcell- Understanding and Addressing Cruelty in Interspecies Encounters

Mary Weaver- Monster-Trans: monstrous affect and transgender politics

Anna Higgins- Speaking across the Womb: Fetal Education and Fetal Testing in Beijing

Respondent: **Kate O'Riordan**, Media and Film, University of Sussex

1:30-3:00: **Semiotics of Encounter**

Natalie Loveless- The Artist's Knowledge: Practice in the Flesh of Theory

Katherine Parrish- The Game is Rigged: Representations of the Gendered Body in Interactive Fiction

Rheana Juno Parrenas- Transpecies Semiotics and the Everyday of Semi-Wilderness/Confinement

Respondent: **Carla Freccero**, Literature, UCSC

3:15-4:45: **Inherited/Inhabited Landscapes**

Allison Athens- Living with Caribou: Real and Figural Time in the Arctic

Sha LaBare- Chronicling Mars

Travis Williams- Environmental Decision-Making as Public Drama

Respondent: **Anna Tsing**, Anthropology, UCSC

4:30-5:15: Closing Remarks: **Donna Haraway**, History of Consciousness, UCSC