

Kick-off conference:
GEXcel Themes 4 – 5
Sexual Health, Embodiment and Empowerment
Bridging Epistemological Gaps

**Critical Feminist Dialogues on Sex
Education, Violence and Sexology:
Between Agency, Pleasure,
Shame and Pain**

June 15–17, 2009

Venue:
TEMCAS room, Tema Institute,
Linköping University

Conference schedule

Sunday 14 June

Informal dinner at restaurant in Linköping for GEXcel scholars arriving early.

Monday 15 June

- 8.30–9.00 Coffee and registration (Location: outside TEMCAS)
- 9.00–9.15 Welcome (Location: TEMCAS)
- 9.15–10.15 *Nina Lykke* (Department of Gender Studies, Linköping University) and *Barbro Wijma* (Department of Gender & Medicine, Linköping University): Overall introduction to GEXcel Themes 4–5: Sexual Health, Embodiment and Empowerment. Bridging Epistemological Gaps. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 10.15–10.45 Coffee break (Location: outside TEMCAS)
- 10.45–11.45 Plenary by *Janice Irvine*, University of Massachusetts, USA. Title: Sex Education, Sexology, and the Culture of Sexual Shame. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 11.45–13.15 Lunch (Location: outside TEMCAS)
- 13.15–15.00 Workshop session 1 (please see workgroup list for rooms)
- 15.00–15.30 Coffee Break
- 15.30–17.00 Workshop session 2
- 17.00–19.00 Informal get-together, reception and presentations of all participants. (Location: Brage)
- 19.00– Buffet dinner (Location: Brage)

Tuesday 16 June

- 9.00–9.30 *Barbro Wijma*: Introduction to GEXcel Theme 4–5's sub-theme on violence. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 9.30–10.30 Plenary by *Jeff Hearn*, Department of Gender Studies, Linköping University, Sweden. Title: "A life of violence": Some 'things' that have become important to me in researching violence, and sexuality... (Location: TEMCAS)

- 10.30–11.00: Coffee break
- 11.00 –12.00: Plenary by *Suruchi Thapar-Björkert*, University of Bristol, UK.
Title: Researching Structural Violence. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 12.00–13.30: Lunch
- 13.30–15.00: Workshop session 3
- 15.00–15.30: Coffee break
- 15.30–17.00 Workshop session 4
- 17.00–18.30 Film: *Passion & Power: Technology of Orgasm* (by *Wendy Slick*
and *Emiko Omori*). (Location: TEMCAS)
- 19.30– Conference dinner at Restaurant Parisienne, Linköping

Wednesday 17 June

- 9.00–10.00 *Nina Lykke*: Introduction to GEXcel 4–5's sub-themes on
Sex education and Critical Sexology and to ideas for further
networking and projects. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 10.00–10.30 Coffee break
- 10.30–11.30 Plenary by *Kathy Davis*, Utrecht University, the Netherlands.
Title: Wetlands: postfeminist sexuality and the illusion of
empowerment. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 11.30–12.30 Plenary by *Margrit Shildrick*, Queen's University Belfast,
Northern Ireland. Title: The queer body: disability, sexuality and
prosthetics. (Location: TEMCAS)
- 12.30–13.30 Lunch
- 13.30–14.30 Workshop session 5: preparations for plenary presentations
- 14.30–15.00 Coffee break
- 15.00–18.00 Plenary: Group presentations + Panel + discussion on
perspectives for collaboration within GEXcel themes 4–5
Closing of conference
- 19.30– Informal dinner at restaurant in Linköping for remaining GEXcel
scholars and other participants (on a self-paying basis)

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