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Perceptions of Gender Identity and Interpersonal Communication Conflict

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Wednesday, November 28th 2012

12 Noon - 1:30 p.m.

IGDS Seminar Room

This presentation is an extract from Ms. Barratt's PhD thesis which investigates the relevance of perceptions of gender identity to episodes of interpersonal communication conflict. Findings of this study suggest that perceptions of gender identity are multiple and contradictory and that they are relevant to episodes of interpersonal communication conflict though this relevance is not one of cause and effect. Rather, respondents see these perceptions as most often acting as a trigger of a conflict episode or aggression during an episode, or as an aggravator, which intensifies the conflict episode. This conclusion is grounded in a post structuralist feminist analysis of narratives and explanations, shared during focus groups and in-depth interviews, by a selection of 18-25 year old students at The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus.

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