



CONFÉRENCE UNIVERSITAIRE  
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**GENDER STUDIES  
DOCTORAL PROGRAM**

# MOBILITIES MIGRATION & GENDER

19–20|10|2017

MODULE UNIVERSITE DE NEUCHÂTEL



## MOBILITIES, MIGRATION & GENDER

This module will discuss new ways of theorizing gender and mobilities. In today's context of global social transformations, increased migration and mobility worldwide and enhanced transnationalization of social realities, new issues have been emerging that pose new challenges to so-called 'traditional' (national) gender regimes and for which we do not possess the scientific knowledge to fully understand the gendered mechanisms at work. We will hence focus on different forms of mobility – migration being one of them: We are interested how they are embedded in global (gendered) labour markets, particular national (gendered) migration and mobility regimes, social networks and gendered representations.

The module is open to doctoral students working on any aspect of this field of interest, for instance, highly educated migration, family reunification, irregular migration, sex work, (informal and informal) business mobility, return mobilities, and many others. A particular interest lies in the question how to analyse gender and mobilities without reproducing the logic of the nation-states regimes and without applying an 'ethnic lens'.

### ANNA KORTEWEG

Anna Korteweg is Professor and Chair of Sociology at the University of Toronto Mississauga. Professor Korteweg's research focuses on the ways in which the problem of immigrant integration is constructed in the intersections of gender, religion, ethnicity and national origin. From this critical vantage point, she has analyzed debates regarding the headscarf, so-called "honour-based" violence, and Sharia law. Current research projects focus on racialization and LGBTQ/gender rights construction in refugee politics, on the criminalization of migrant status, and on the citizenship implications of refugee sponsorship.

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### JOËLLE MORET

Joëlle Moret, anthropologist, is PostDoc researcher at the Laboratory for Transnational Studies and Knowledge Transfer Officer at the nccr - on the move, both at the University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland. She's interested in linking migration and mobility at the empirical and theoretical levels, one of her research interests being migrants' diverse mobility practices in a European context. In her work, she also focuses on ethnicity, gender, and social inequalities in transnational spaces. She is currently involved in a study on cross-border marriages in Switzerland.

[unine.ch/maps-chaire/home/import/joelle-moret.html](http://unine.ch/maps-chaire/home/import/joelle-moret.html)

### CAMILLE SCHMOLL

Camille Schmoll is senior lecturer (maîtresse de conférences) at the University of Paris 7 Denis Diderot, France. Her main research interest are the dynamics of migration in a Euro-Mediterranean context. She questions new forms of mobilities and their spatial implications while at the same time studying these dynamics through a gender lens.

[www.parisgeo.cnrs.fr/spip.php?article179&lang=fr](http://www.parisgeo.cnrs.fr/spip.php?article179&lang=fr)



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## ASSIGNMENTS

### 1

Attending graduate students will hand in an abstract of 300 words (in French or English) on their research or the question they would like to be discussed in relation to the theme of the module. On this basis essays/papers that will be discussed in the module will be selected.

The abstract should be sent in pdf format to marion.schulze-at-unine.ch

Deadline: **June 30st, 2017**

Selected essays (3 pages)/papers have to be send in pdf format to marion.schulze-at-unine.ch

Deadline: **September 15th, 2017**

### 2

Attending graduate students will also be required to read five texts in preparation for the workshop on the question of mobilities, migration, and gender. These texts have been selected by the invited specialists and the organizers of the workshop.

[1] Dahinden, Janine (2016). A plea for the 'de-migranticization' of research on migration and integration. In: *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 39(13): 2207-2225.

[2] Korteweg, Anna (2017): The failures of 'immigrant integration': The gendered racialized production of non-belonging. In: *Migration Studies mnx025*.

[3] Moret, Joëlle (2016): Cross-border mobility, transnationality and ethnicity as resources: a study on European Somalis' post-migration mobility practices. In: *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 42(9): 1455-1472.

[4] Schmoll, Camille (2014): Gendered spatialities of power in 'borderland' Europe: an approach through mobile and immobilised bodies In: *International Journal of Migration Studies* 1(2), 173-189.

[5] to be announced

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## LANGUAGES OF THE MODUL

English, Français

## ORGANISATION

CUSO Gender Studies Doctoral Program and the University of Neuchâtel

Janine Dahinden, Professor for Transnational Studies, University of Neuchâtel

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With the kind support of the nccr – on the move, the National Center of Competence in Research for migration and mobility studies, financed by the Swiss National Science Foundation.

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## PROGRAM

### OCTOBER 19, 2017

This day of the module will consist in discussing texts on the module's topic and will be concluded with public lectures by our invited specialists.

Venue: to be announced

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10.00–10.10 Opening of the module and welcome address by Janine Dahinden

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10.10–10.30 Short self-presentations by Anna Korteweg, Joëlle Moret, Camille Schmoll and graduate students

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10.30–12.30 Text discussion

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12.30–14.00 Lunch

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14.00–15.00 Text discussion

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15.00–15.30 Coffee

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15.30–16.30 Text discussion

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16.30–18.00 Coffee

Venue: to be announced

### 18.15–20.00 PUBLIC CONFERENCE

*Anna Korteweg*  
"Muslim Masculinities in Contemporary Migration Debates: Sexual Violence, Terror, and the Racialized Gendered Abjection of Immigrant Subjects"

*Camille Schmoll*  
Spatialités de la migration féminine : une approche par le genre

### OCTOBER 20, 2017

This day will center around the discussion of the graduate students' work.

Venue: to be announced

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10.00–12.00 PhD Paper discussion

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12.00–14.00 Lunch

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14.00–17.00 PhD Paper discussion