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**At UBC, Vancouver**



**IUFRO Conference on Gender and Natural Resources**

**September 6<sup>th</sup> till September 10<sup>th</sup> 2009**

**Gender education in curricula of natural resources management - implicit and explicit!**

**Final Call**

The IUFRO unit “*Education, gender and forestry*” will organise a conference on gender education at UBC<sup>1</sup>, Vancouver, cosponsored by Faculty of Forestry of UBC, the Centre for Women’s and Gender Studies at UBC and the Leuphana University of Lueneburg, Germany.

**Topics**

- 1) Integrative Gendering in Higher Education Didactics**
- 2) Gender aspects in higher education in the field of forestry and natural resources management**

**WOMEN'S AND  
GENDER STUDIES**



**Forestry**  
University of British Columbia

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that the conference has been moved from Colorado as earlier announced to UBC because of organisational reasons.

## **1) Integrative Gendering in Higher Education Didactics**

Higher education didactics in Germany and Europe are confronted with two innovations: first the modularization of studies due to the so called “Bologna Process” needs a shift from teaching to learning. Second: good teaching integrates gender and diversity aspects structurally in the contents as well as in the interactions. Both are not yet regarded systematically in the higher education didactics. In this workshop we will work out international concepts and approaches of integrative gendering and in higher education didactics (on the base of the Leuphana University of Lueneburg (Northern Germany) as a good practise example).

## **2) Gender aspects in higher education in the field of forestry and natural resources management**

Thorough knowledge about gender issues must be part of the qualification of graduates from forestry and natural resources management as they will work in a gendered business. Therefore gender issues must be integrated into the curricula in the core and in the elective parts. Teaching gender issues will largely be based on gender research.

As gender studies are a new subject in forestry curricula there is little systematic knowledge about the activities so far. A survey of the IUFRO unit Education, Gender and Forestry (<http://iufro.boku.ac.at/iufro/iufro.net/d6/hp61800.htm>) revealed, that there is a limited number of courses including gender issues or explicitly devoted to it in forestry curricula – gender issues are very often considered women’s business.

The workshop is intended to share theoretical insights and concrete experiences on learning and teaching gender in forestry and related fields.

### Programme

Workshop days are planned for September 7 and 8 (arrival on September 6), followed by a field trip on September 9 (departure on September 10).

The programme will comprise key notes, paper and poster sessions and short workshops as well as a visit of the education and research institutions at UBC.

### Excursion “Gender and diversity issues in use of forests in BC”

We plan a forest walk and visit to a first nations' village with discussions with representatives of first nations and male and female foresters.

### Call for contributions

We invite you to prepare a presentation in closer or wider connection with the theme of the conference.

Student participation is encouraged.

Please send by e-mail an abstract of up to 300 words to the contact addresses as soon as possible. The organizing committee will decide on contributions; all applicants will be informed shortly after.

### Accommodation

There is a wide range of accommodations in Vancouver on different cost levels in hotels, B&B as well as hostels or in colleges on campus (limited number).

Please book your accommodation for yourself using internet. The organisers will advise you if necessary and may help with accommodation on campus (please ask as soon as possible).

### Travel arrangements

Travel arrangement and travel cost will be the responsibility of the participants.

There are good national and international flight connections to Vancouver. Details about local transport to the venue of the conference will be provided on the conference page.

### Conference participation fees

100 \$ CAD, 50 \$ CAD for students (to be paid in cash upon arrival):  
fees include conference material, snacks at tea breaks  
and conference dinner on September 7<sup>th</sup>

### Registration

Registration will be through the conference website. Please already indicate as soon as possible by e-mail to Siegfried Lewark your interest in the excursion.

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