

## HACETTEPE UNIVERSITY Centre for British Literary and Cultural Studies

# **Graduate Conference**

# **Innovative Representations of 'Sexualities' in Studies in English**

## Hacettepe University, Ankara 11 March 2015

The Centre for British Literary and Cultural Studies at Hacettepe University, is pleased to announce its first graduate conference, **"Innovative Representations of 'Sexualities' in Studies in English"**. We welcome academic proposals - which should be presented and not read - from MA and PhD students enrolled in the American Culture and Literature, British Cultural Studies, English Language and Literature, English Linguistics, English Translation and Interpretation, Gender and Women's Studies, Media and Cultural Studies, and Translation and Cultural Studies programmes at the universities in Ankara.

The intention of this conference is to provide graduate students a platform on which to discuss the varied processes and delineations of sexual cultures, sexual identities and gender role construction in both human and non-human scales. "Innovative Representations of 'Sexualities' in Studies in English" proposes to investigate the politics, nature, roles and effects of sexual literacy in the cultural, fictional, real and virtual worlds. We are particularly interested in receiving papers from a spectrum of research areas and a broad range of literary and non-literary genres, including cultural studies, which help illustrate these themes. Papers favouring inter/cross/ multi-disciplinary perspectives will be given preference, so as to generate fruitful discussion among various disciplines.

Possible topics under 'Sexualities' include, but are not limited to:

- femininities
- masculinities
- queer studies
- biopolitics
- non-human sexualities
- cyber/digital sexualities
- food culture and sexualities
- critical sexualities
- pop/popular culture and sexualities
- media and sexualities
- race sexualities
- aging and sexualities
- pleasure, desire and sexualities
- cosmetics, fashion and sexualities
- translation studies and sexualities
- linguistics and sexualities
- sports and sexualities

Abstract Submission: 300-word abstracts, together with the contact information (full name, institutional affiliation, department, email address, cell phone number, brief bio) of participant(s) should be sent as Microsoft Word documents, attached to an email

message addressed to conferencegraduate@gmail.com by 20 February 2015.

The official language of the conference is English. Selected presentations will be organized into panels of 2 or 3 with regard to their themes. All the presentations are limited to 20 minutes which will be followed by a ten-minute discussion. The conference will take place at Mehmet Âkif Ersoy Hall at the Beytepe Campus of Hacettepe University on 11 March 2015.

#### **Key Dates**

Deadline for Submission of Abstract proposals: **20 February 2015** Acceptance Confirmation: 25 February 2015 Submission of PowerPoint presentations: 09 March 2015 Conference Date: 11 March 2015

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