

Using Feminist Research for Social Change: Purpose, Strategies and Accountability

Workshop with Margo Okazawa-Rey

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Who do we do our research for?

How does that shape purpose and strategies and how do I do my research in ways that fulfill the purpose? How do we want to disseminate our work: to whom and through which media (academic and non-academic)? What kind of visibility does my research need? How do I determine who will benefit from the visibility and who may be harmed by it? Who needs to know about my research results? What are the opportunities and pitfalls of working with media such as blogs or newspapers? These questions and more will frame this interactive workshop. Participants will be asked to engage with the primary “texts” for the workshop: their experiences as feminist scholars, researchers and activists, the central methodological, political and ethical conundrums they face and the questions that keep them awake at night wondering.

With this workshop we will continue our collaboration with Margo Okazawa-Rey who is a regular visitor of our doctoral program by now. Everyone and especially all new PhD students of the Network Gender Studies are encouraged to participate!

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