Call for Applications

Transgender Studies
Research Residency
Funded by GEXcel International Collegium

When: May 27th – June 8th, 2019
Application deadline: January 1, 2019
Place: The Centre for Gender Studies, Karlstad University, Sweden

The Centre for Gender Studies (CGF) at Karlstad University announces three Trans Studies Research Residencies.

The Trans Studies Research Residency programme started in February 2017 as an initiative of the Trans Studies research group working at the Centre for Gender Studies. The aim is to create an inspiring space for collaboration between trans scholars as well as offer much needed time for focusing on research and writing. The residency will take place for the fourth time in spring 2019. Trans Studies at CGF approach the term trans as an umbrella term to address a wide range of intersectional, gender nonconforming positions.

The residency programme represents one of several academic activities at the Centre devoted to Transgender Studies as an emerging field of research. Apart from the residencies, the Centre for Gender Studies regularly hosts workshops, lectures series and conferences within the area of Trans Studies, most recently the 5th Nordic Transgender Studies Network Conference (September 2018). Being one of the research strands at CGF, Transgender Studies is also well embedded in its undergraduate and graduate courses curricula. However, the residency programme has emerged out of the joint initiative of a range of Trans academics in the North European context who aim to further establish Transgender Studies as part of the Nordic Gender Studies landscape.

The Centre for Gender Studies/Centrum för genusforskning (CGF) at Karlstad University is shaped by four main research streams such as Transgender Studies, Masculinity Studies, Action for Organisational Change, as well as Gender, Health and Technology Studies. The Centre is working in close collaboration with the Gender Studies units at Linköping University and Örebro University facilitated through the GEXcel platform. GEXcel both links these universities through shared events as well as research internationalisation.
For the duration of the residency, the Centre will provide the residents with a calm and supportive research environment with access to office space. Additionally, it covers accommodation as well as contributes to, or covers fully, travel expenses. Unfortunately, it does not provide a honorarium.

The Trans Studies Research Residency is a flexible form of working together which might include presenting your work as part of the Gender Studies seminars, small workshops together or just discussions and feedback from the other residents and local trans scholars. The main purpose of the residency is to allow researchers time and room for focusing on their own research and do this in a shared space. The call explicitly invites researchers from all academic degrees including artistic researchers, MA students, PhD students, junior researchers, and further merited scholars.

The residency programme takes place annually. Should you be interested in collaborating with the Trans Studies research group at CGF but unable to apply for the residency in 2019, please get in touch with the Trans Studies research group member and GEXcel coordinator Wibke Straube (wibke.straube@kau.se) for inquiring about alternative times and future residencies.

Deadline for application is January 1st, 2019.
Dates of the residency will be May 27 – June 8th, 2019. In order to apply, please submit a short motivation letter outlining your research degree (MA, Phd, etc.), your research project/s, research interests and/or artistic focus, and a self-positioning towards the field (max. 500 words) as well as a short bio (max. 500 words). Applicants will be notified by January 10th, 2019.

We are looking forward to your applications!

With warm regards,
The Trans Studies research group at CGF