



Summer School, 18–23 June 2017, Frankfurt am Main “Gendering (In)formal Social Protection: Gender, Migration and Resistance”

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In recent years, research on transnational social protection has been vividly discussed in migration research, studies on welfare, care and transnational families. These debates include concepts of care/social reproduction, global care chains and care circulation, gendered welfare regimes and global economy of care; their focus is/was on the role of migrants as both caregivers and care receivers. Many of these concepts touch the aspects of formality and informality in the provision of social protection and care, and employ a feminist perspective. Taking these debates as the starting point, the aim of the Summer School is to bring together junior and senior researchers, to discuss and to stimulate a dialogue between researchers whose research focus is on formal and informal aspects of social protection and care in the context of gender relations. In essence, the talks and presentations at the Summer School will address three main questions:

- *What are the effects of (in)formal social protection on mobility and the living/working conditions of migrants and their families?*
- *How can we conceptualize and analyze migrants as welfare givers and welfare receivers?*
- *How are social inequalities shaped and reproduced by access to and use of social protection in transnational contexts?*



Program

The program combines focused interdisciplinary training for PhD students with an intense discussion of PhD projects, including theory, methodologies and critical perspectives, to give young researchers an opportunity to present their research and discuss it in detail.

The **public lecture** will be held by

Professor Ann Phoenix (University College London)

Lecture classes will be led by:

Professor Laura Merla (University of Louvain)

Professor Thomas Faist (Bielefeld University)

Professor Helma Lutz (Goethe-University Frankfurt)

Professor Anna Amelina (Goethe-University Frankfurt)

Dr. Ewa Palenga-Möllnbeck (Goethe-University Frankfurt)

Participants and Topics of PhD Projects

The Summer School invites PhD candidates with a background in gender studies, migration studies, social policy, inequality studies and other related disciplines whose doctoral research projects address one or more of the following themes:

- Transnational families, ageing and childhood,
- Transnationalization of care, care regimes, social protection and social security,
- Feminist approaches to welfare state and migration,
- Transnational organizations, transnational corporations, transnational labor markets,
- Post-national citizenship and its implications for access to and use of social protection,
- Social protection and gender relations from a legal perspective,
- Global economy of care, care and affect, ethics of care.

Application

Applicants are invited to submit their CV (max. 2 pages) and a description of their PhD project (max. 2 pages) to Lisa Deniz Preugschat at preugschat@em.uni-frankfurt.de by **30 March 2017**.

Accepted participants will be invited to submit their papers for presentation (5,000 words, including references) by **5 June 2017**. The papers will be circulated to the discussants and participants.

There is a conference fee of 300 EUR. This includes two dinners in a restaurant as well as drinks and snacks during the conference.

For detailed information, please contact Lisa Deniz Preugschat at preugschat@em.uni-frankfurt.de.