



Announcement of PhD course:

# RESEARCHING GENDER IN THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG FIELD METHODOLOGICAL AND THEORETICAL CHALLENGES AND POSSIBLE WAYS FORWARD

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Gender has long been a central feature in research on drugs and alcohol. Numerous studies have examined the extent to which men and women exhibit different alcohol and illicit drug consumption patterns. Although research on gender has made significant steps forward in other research arenas, developments in alcohol and drug research have been more muted. Consequently, researchers who wish to examine gender differences in alcohol and drug consumption have been faced by a

number of challenges in adopting theoretical and methodological developments in gender studies for use in drug and alcohol research. With this in mind, this PhD course seeks both to introduce participants to recent theoretical and methodological discussions in gender studies, pertinent to drug and alcohol research, and to enable participants to formulate and develop their own research projects in relation to these discussions and developments.

The focus of the course is on the challenges of *researching* gender and an examination of potential ways forward. Through lectures, active workshops and paper presentations, course participants will both increase their knowledge of recent developments within gender studies and improve their abilities to develop analytical approaches that are sensitive to gender issues.

Our aim is to stimulate and generate discussions amongst the course participants as to the benefits of utilizing these new developments in gender theory and exploring possible ways of integrating these theoretical developments in empirical, socio-cultural research on gender in alcohol and drug studies.

## Lecturers

- Dorte Staunæs, Aarhus University, DK
- Fiona Measham, Lancaster University, UK
- Marie Heinskou, University of Copenhagen, DK
- Kim Bloomfield, Aarhus University, DK

The course combines lectures, individual paper presentations and active workshop sessions. The course yields 3 ECTS.

## Deadlines and fee

Deadline for submitting an application is June 30<sup>th</sup> 2012. Participation is limited to 25 participants. Participants will be notified about acceptance in July.

The PhD course is free of charge for PhD students within the Danish open market.

For other students, the course fee is 60 euro including lunch and coffee on both days. The optional dinner on Monday evening is not included in this, and will cost around 20 euro.

Hotel/accommodation is booked separately by the participants themselves.

NB: Participants from the Nordic countries (excluding Denmark) can apply for funding for travel and accommodation expenses from NVC, the Nordic Centre for Welfare and Social Issues.

## Organisers and further info

The course is offered by Aarhus Graduate School of Business & Social Sciences and arranged by Director Vibeke Asmussen Frank, Professor Geoffrey Hunt and Postdoc Signe Ravn, Centre for Alcohol & Drug Research, Aarhus University, Denmark.

See further information about the preliminary course schedule, list of readings, requirements for the application etc. on the course website: [www.crf.au.dk/researchinggender](http://www.crf.au.dk/researchinggender), which is open from late April.

## Contact (questions)

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