

BSA Gender Study Group (GSG)

Annual Report for Year 2013

1. Established:

2011

2. Current Membership Figure:

126 Members (approx 70% BSA Members, 30% Non-BSA Members)

3. SG Income:	£3960.00
SG Movement	£1175.30-
SG Expenditure:	£5135.30

4. Aims of Study Group:

- To provide a forum that enables the critical development of contemporary gender theory and research across a diverse range of gender related fields.
- To provide a professional network in which to bring together gender-related academics, researchers, postgraduate and doctoral students.
- To provide a context in which interdisciplinary (inter)national networking can take place in order to encourage (inter)national research collaborations.
- To provide an environment that seeks to safeguard gender theory and research in the face of the changing landscape to the social sciences and humanities.

5. Review of Year:

The Gender Study Group (GSG) has steadily recruited members over 2012. The inaugural conference Forthcoming Feminisms: Gender Activism, Politics and Theories attracted 100 delegates from all continents of the world alongside the majority of members of the study group. The Study Group was awarded a grant from the Feminist Review Trust (£300) and the Centre for Interdisciplinary Gender Studies, University of Leeds provided some additional funds for the conference. The day event was a popular format where established and early career academics, postgraduate and undergraduate students and activists provided stimulating papers about contemporary and historical gender and feminist studies. Feedback from the delegates was exceptional and we regard the conference a great success. Delegates spoke about a range of gender, feminist and political issues, which illustrated the continued need for a group addressing contemporary gender and feminist theory. The database we provide on the Study Group's webpage continues to grow, encouraging members to network and collaborate on research projects. This has been welcomed by members. At present the convenors are collating a survey in an attempt to understand the next wave of events to be organized. We will be having an annual general meeting at the BSA Conference in London, to help finalise the plans.

6. Concluding Remarks:

Following the GSG meeting at the BSA conference 2013, we will publicise plans for the GSG future direction and forthcoming events on the BSA web site.

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