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## **News, Updates, Publications**

### **Winter Break - University Closed December 22, 2023 to January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 (inclusive)**

York University will be closed during the Winter Break, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 until January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. The University will re-open on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. You will not be able to access York Lanes unless provided access in advance.

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## **Tubman Events**

### **Tubman Talks Recordings Available on YouTube**

That's a wrap for the 2023 Tubman Talks! The Harriet Tubman Institute is profoundly thankful for everyone who attended, participated, presented, shared, and supported the talks this year. We hope to see you next year as we continue Seed Grant presentations.

All of the talks are now available on our [YouTube channel](#).

Read more information about past Tubman Talks [here](#).

### **Call for engagement in doctoral research on Black women's experiences working in University roles across the Black Diaspora**

Good afternoon,

My name is Naomi Alormele and I am doctoral research with Loughborough University (UK) on the project titled "Elevating the voices of Black women working within the Black Diaspora: exploring experiences of violence, safety and joy working in university roles".

With this email I would like to invite you to attend in-person conversations taking place in May. After reading the below questions if you are interested in expressing an interest in engaging in the study, please complete this MS form with your preferred dates and times: <https://forms.office.com/e/7WiwM2m1Re>

#### **What is the purpose of the study?**

The aim of this project is to analyse the perceptions, experiences, and identities of Black women staff in relation

to their working environment in universities across the Black Diaspora. Previously research has taken place within the United Kingdom and will now be continuing in the Ontario province of Canada.

### **Who is doing this research and why?**

This study is part of my PhD research project supported by Loughborough University (UK). The ethical approval code for this study is: 2023-11092-14004

The study will be undertaken by myself (Naomi Alormele) and supervised by Dr Catherine Armstrong, Dr Jessica Robles and Dr Jenny Prendergast. The purpose of this research is to explore the nuanced nature of oppression Black women experience working within universities. This project also aims to explore factors that contribute to Black women's sense of empowerment and belonging in their employed roles.

### **How is this study being conducted and what will my contribution be if I wish to be involved?**

This study is being conducted through in-person conversations at the beginning of May 2024. This will be in York University, with the confirmation of room being circulated upon your expression of interest.

The in-person conversations will take place in small groups, lasting no longer than 2 hours.

### **How can I get in touch if I would like more information prior to filling in the MS form?**

Please email me directly at: [n.alormele@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:n.alormele@lboro.ac.uk)

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## **Upcoming York Events and News**

### **Intersectionality: Is poverty the missing link?**

Organized by Social Work Faculty at Université de Saint-Boniface / Birmingham City University / University of Manitoba  
Call for Abstracts and Save the Date (See pdf attached)

Call for abstracts: deadline January 15, 2024

Save the Date: Online international conference- Wednesday March 20, 2024

### **Associate Professors Meet-Up: Setting the Stage for Promotion to Full**

**Date:** Monday, December 11, 2023

**Time:** 10:00 am – 11:30 am

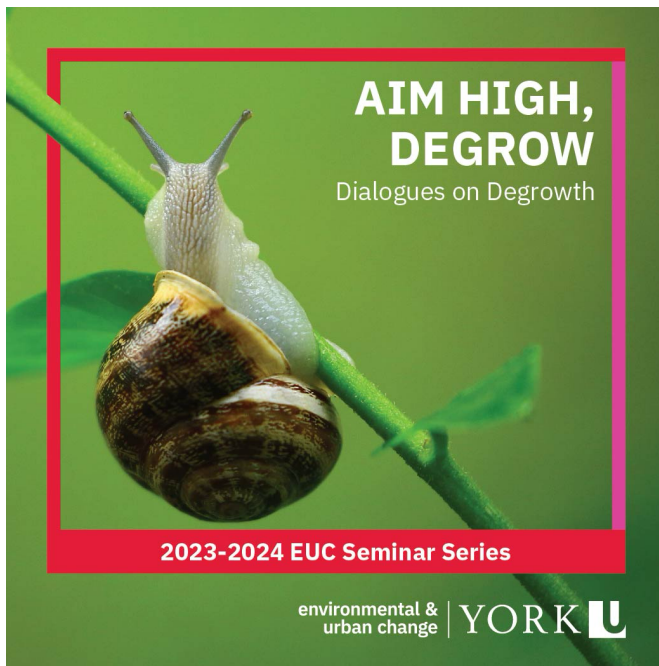
**LocaTION:** Kaneff Tower, Room 519, York University, Keele Campus

Please RSVP by this Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> by [clicking here](#) or scanning the QR code on the flyer (attached).

This meet-up is for Associate Professors from both the professorial and teaching streams. Join Laina Bay-Cheng (AVP Faculty Affairs), Jen Steeves (AVP Research), and other Full Professors for conversations on preparing for promotion to Full.

If you have any questions, please email [FacAffairs@yorku.ca](mailto:FacAffairs@yorku.ca).

### **EUC Seminar Series “Aim High, Degrow: Dialogues on Degrowth”**



### **Session 2 in December: “Decolonization and feminism: does degrowth cut it?”**

**Date/Time:** Thursday, Dec 14 @ 11:30 am EST

**Description:** Discussion around how degrowth is (or not) aligned with decolonial and feminist approaches. Where are the synergies and where are the contradictions between decolonization and feminism, and degrowth?

**Speakers:**

Corinna Dengler

Wendy Harcourt

**Moderator:**

Ellie Perkins

### **CFR inaugural Medal of Excellence in Feminist Scholarship in honour of Professors Dua, Lawrence and Luxton**

York University’s Centre for Feminist Research has launched the inaugural Medal for Excellence in Feminist Scholarship in Canada to support and raise the profile of the rich and diverse contributions of feminist scholars nationally.

“This award is a reminder that feminist research matters and that feminists of all genders are producing rigorous, relevant research and writing for our times,” says Elaine Coburn, director of the Centre for Feminist Research. “It creates a space to celebrate all that is excellent in feminist scholarship, across Canada.”

The award was created with an anonymous donor to honour and bring visibility to the work of three York University faculty members – [Ena Dua](#), [Bonita Lawrence](#) and [Meg Luxton](#) – who have set standards of excellence by transforming understanding of women’s everyday realities and struggles through anti-racist, Indigenous feminist and feminist political economy scholarship.

Applications for the medal will open on Tuesday, January 30, 2024 and the **deadline for nominations will be on Friday, March 1, 2024** for submissions. The inaugural winner will be announced on Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

Read more [here](#)

### **CALL for (3) Adjudicators Medal Of Excellence in Feminist Scholarship**

Applications are being accepted for three adjudicators.

The Medal for Excellence in Feminist Scholarship in Canada will be evaluated by an adjudication committee of three faculty members.

Please email Mickel A. Allen, [cfr-coor@yorku.ca](mailto:cfr-coor@yorku.ca) with a one paragraph statement of interest and CV by Monday, January 15, 2023.

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## **Other Events & Opportunities**

### **Centennial Carnegie Chair in the History of Slavery in Canada - Faculty Posting - Dalhousie University/King's College**

The Department of History at Dalhousie University and the University of King's College invite applications for a tenured professorship (Associate or Full Professor) in the history of slavery in Canada, with a preference for expertise in the history of slavery in the Maritime region.

Please see attached or the following link for full details and how to apply:

<https://dal.peopleadmin.ca/postings/15300>

Contact Michele Edgerton, Administrative Coordinator, at [history@dal.ca](mailto:history@dal.ca).

### **Call for Participants: Research study on Black student experiences with campus security**

The purpose of this study is to understand the experiences of Black students who have had an uncomfortable or negative interaction with campus security. This study will be completed using a critical race lens and critical race methodology. Participants must be at least 18 years of age and registered at an Ontario college or university. Interviews will require 1 hour to 1.5 hours to complete virtually via telephone, Zoom, or Microsoft Teams.

Participants will receive a \$25 e-gift card for Tim Hortons.

Interested participants can contact Yugita Looknauth [look1790@mylaurier.ca](mailto:look1790@mylaurier.ca) for more information.

This study has been approved by the Wilfrid Laurier University Research Ethics Board (REB #8320). This study has been approved by the York University Research Ethics Board (REB# 2023-277).

Supervisor: Dr. Shoshana Pollack

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