

Fakultät für Sprach-, Literatur- und Kulturwissenschaften

BETWEEN THE NATIONAL AND THE TRANSNATIONAL, 1980 TO THE PRESENT:

Masculinities in Britain and the U.S.

The Second of Three International Workshops:

Kent State University, 4 to 7 August 2011

Organizers:

Prof. Kevin Floyd (Kent State University), Prof. Dr. Stefan Horlacher (TU Dresden)

CALL FOR PAPERS

Recent scholarship in the study of masculinities suggests any number of ways in which this field has begun to move beyond the cataloging of pluralized masculinities that has characterized so much scholarship on this topic. The organizers of this workshop believe that masculinities should be examined at a number of different analytic levels, ranging from the most location-oriented and culturally specific to the national, to the transnational.

In this context, this workshop will focus on the articulation of masculinities over the last three decades in Britain and the U.S. It especially wants to encourage scholarly and critical movement in a direction that both builds on recent work in the field of masculinity studies and moves beyond it, toward more comparative kinds of analysis. What lines of interchange and influence in the cultural and literary imagining of

masculinity can be traced between Britain and the U.S. during the last thirty years? How do recent articulations of masculinity reimagine established understandings of gender? How should we understand the ways in which relations between hegemonic and counterhegemonic masculinities operate both similarly and differently in these two locations? And how to understand the ways in which masculinity operates in relation to key issues mapped out by recent scholarship, from transgender, intersex, and disability studies, to research on space, geography, migration, neoliberalism, biopolitics, and warfare?

We seek innovative scholarship on masculinities in Britain and the U.S. from roughly 1980 to the present. We especially encourage comparative work, analyses that operate in simultaneously national and transnational terms.

http://www.comparativemasculinities.com

Please send an abstract of no more than 500 words by 15 February 2011 to **both** Prof. Kevin Floyd (kfloyd@kent.edu) and Prof. Dr. Stefan Horlacher (stefan.horlacher@mailbox.tu-dresden.de).

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