

Genders and Sexualities Research Forum

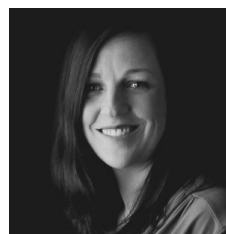
10am - 12pm | Thursday, 14 March | The Cube, QUT Gardens Point Campus

Register online at gendersandsexualitiesforum.eventbrite.com.au

Join us for our inaugural showcase of QUT researchers working in the area of diverse genders and sexualities. Five minute presentations will be followed by an opportunity for Q&A, with networking from 10:45am.



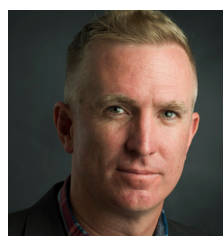
Dr Elija Cassidy's research addresses digital inclusion and equality issues as they play out through cultures and practices of everyday digital technology use, non-use and resistant appropriation. Particular emphasis on gender, sexuality and cross-cultural use of digital media has been central to his work in these areas. Elija teaches several courses on digital media, digital ethics, and research methodology and is the author of *Gay Men, Identity and Social media: A Culture of Participatory Reluctance* (Routledge).



Dr Lisa van Leent's research is in relation to diverse genders and sexualities in education, particularly in regards to diverse sexualities, and the improvement in support for LGBTIQ+ students in schools. Her future research interests involve how inclusivity is presented through 'texts-in-use' within a primary school context to promote critical awareness of heterosexism. Lisa hopes to explore how texts define the social co-ordination of heterosexism through identifying the connections between professional practice, policy, and the everyday lives of teachers, school administrators and staff.



Associate Professor Matthew Ball's research focuses on the experiences of LGBTIQ+ people in the criminal justice system. He is particularly interested in exploring the potential of queer theory to forge new directions and highlight new challenges in criminology. Matthew's recent book, *Criminology and Queer Theory: Dangerous Bedfellows?*, is the first to explore these issues. He has recently been part of a team of researchers who led world-first research into LGBT Police Liaison Services in order to improve crime reporting and produce better outcomes for victims of crime.



Dr Stephen Whyte is a behavioural economist who studies large scale decision making in 'mate choice' settings. His research takes a multi-disciplinary approach in studying key sex differences in human behaviour, with work that bridges the fields of applied micro-economics, personality & social psychology, and evolutionary biology. Recent research topics include sex differences in nonbinary gender identification, male and female decision making in assisted reproductive and donor insemination medical environments, and preferences vs choice in cyber dating markets.



Deborah Starkey, Associate Professor and program coordinator for Medical Imaging Programs at QUT, was awarded a Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning in the 2016 Australian Awards for University Teaching. Debbie is a Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and a Fellow of the Australian Society of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy. Her research interests are in developing learner activities where connections of academic, clinical and research knowledge enhance the learner experience.

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