Race, Sexuality, and the Transnational, Fall 2003

The Center for Scholarship and Teaching (CST) at Macalester College invites faculty from Carleton College to participate in a 2003-04 faculty seminar, "Race, Sexuality, and the Transnational" with colleagues from Macalester, the University of Minnesota (Twin Cities) and other area colleges and universities. The seminar supports faculty who study or who are interested in studying race and sexuality in transnational perspective.

The Carleton faculty contact is Lance McCready, Educational Studies, x7109.

First meeting:

Sunday October 12, 6-8 pm, Macalester College (dinner provided). RSVP to Scott Morgensen (morgensen@Macalester.edu).

Seminar discussions will support a variety of projects, including:

- considering the current state of queer of color and feminist of color critical theories
- tracing local and global proliferations of racialized sexualities
- marking the racial and national dynamics of dominant queer and feminist formations
- engaging sexual politics in oppositional racial and national politics
- reading racial and sexual power in global politics, economics, and culture

- setting new directions in studies of race/ethnicity, sexuality, feminism, and transnationalism, and their academic interlocutors (such as American studies, anthropology, art, education, history, international and global studies, literature, political science, sociology, theatre/dance, and women's studies).

The core faculty seminar activity will be to form a collective of scholars who will engage and support one another's ongoing research interests. Monthly meetings (October 2003-May 2004, skipping January) will discuss members' works-in-progress over a catered meal at Macalester College. In case no work-in-progress is available for a given meeting, we may read published works from our fields. Seminar funding will cover basic expenses, including book purchases and copying.

The seminar will support a number of related opportunities:

- Two distinguished scholars will be invited during the course of the year to share their work with us, and to read our works-in-progress.

- Seminar participants will plan and host a summer institute at Macalester College, after the close of the 2003-04 school year.

- Seminar participants may host at their own school a public talk by a participant from another school, with honorarium and hosting paid by the seminar (up to four talks may be funded).

- The seminar will plan and host a public Twin Cities-area teach-in at Macalester College in fall 2004. Featured speakers will be drawn from seminar participants and local guests.

Finally, a book project is being planned from manuscripts submitted by participants and invited guests of the seminar, summer institute, and teach-in.