

Professor Chandra Talpade Mohanty in conversation with a panel of SA feminist practitioners and academics

African Feminists: Talking the Walk
A programme hosted by the African Gender Institute
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Professor Chandra Mohanty in conversation with South African feminist scholars -
Professor Amanda Gouws, Yaliwe Clarke, Professor Destree Lewis, and Marion
Stevens

Professor Chandra Talpade Mohanty
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Yaliwe Clarke (Gender Studies, University of Cape Town)
Professor Amanda Gouws (Political Science Department, Johannesburg University)
Professor Destree Lewis (English and Gender Studies, Witswatersrand University of Johannesburg)
Marion Stevens (Researcher, University of Witwatersrand)

Chandra Talpade Mohanty is Distinguished Professor of Women's and Gender Studies and Dean's Professor of the Humanities at Syracuse University. Her work focuses on transnational feminist theory, anti-capitalist feminist praxis, anti-racist education, and the politics of knowledge. She is author of *Under Western Eyes: Indian Women, Feminist Scholarship, and Colonial Discourses* (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1988) and co-author of *Third World Women and the Politics of Migration* (Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1991). *Transnational Feminist Praxis: A South African Journey* (Durban, South Africa: Butterworths, 2007) and *Transnational Feminist Praxis: A South African Journey* (Durban, South Africa: Butterworths, 2007) are her most recent books. She has also co-edited *Transnational Feminist Praxis: A South African Journey* (Durban, South Africa: Butterworths, 2007) and *Transnational Feminist Praxis: A South African Journey* (Durban, South Africa: Butterworths, 2007).

She is a member of the advisory board of *Signs*, a journal of women in culture and society; *Transformation: The Journal of Critical Pedagogy and Scholarship*; *Praxis* (South Africa); *Inter-Sectionalities*; *Feminist Studies*; and the *Callaghan Review of Gender Studies*. She is also a steering committee member of the *Academic Service Project* (academic-service.org), a transnational research and advocacy group focused on alternatives to privatization in the Global South. A founding member of the International Knowledge Collective at Syracuse University, and Contributing Team Member of the Future of Women's Studies Research Project (Princeton, NJ), she has worked with many government, community, and academic organizations. Leadership of some of these include: Center for Integrated Studies in New York City; and *Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies* at the University of California, San Diego. She is also a member of the *Praxis* and *Signs* editorial boards. She is also a member of the *Praxis* and *Signs* editorial boards. She is also a member of the *Praxis* and *Signs* editorial boards.

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Professor Chandra Mohanty will be in conversation with a panel of South African feminist practitioners and academics as part of the African Gender Institute's 2014 Talking the Walk Programme.

Chandra Mohanty is professor of Women's and Gender Studies, Sociology, and the Cultural Foundations of Education & Dean's Professor of the Humanities at Syracuse University. She claimed the spotlight in 1984 with the publication of her essay "Under Western Eyes: Feminist Scholarship and Colonial Discourses". Her scholarship and teaching focus on, inter alia, the politics of difference and solidarity, decolonizing knowledge and theorizing agency, identity and resistance in the context of feminist trans-border solidarity.

Professor Mohanty will be joined in discussion by:

Yaliwe Clarke: Lecturer in Gender Studies at the University of Cape Town. Her research interests are around feminist perspectives on notions of peace, conflict and security in African contexts.

Amanda Gouws: Professor of Political Science at Stellenbosch University. Her fields of specialisation are South African Politics and Gender Politics and Political Behavior.

Desiree Lewis: Professor at the University of the Western Cape. Her research interests are literary and popular culture, global feminist knowledges and politics, the politics of visibility and representation and postcolonial writing and culture.

Marion Stevens: Research Associate at the African Gender Institute as well as the coordinator of WISH Associates (Women in Sexual and Reproductive Rights and Health), a network of nine South African consultant activists

Location

District Six Museum (25 Buitenkant Street, Cape Town)

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