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# Local-to-Global WomenNC 2015 Fellowship Dinner Forum



Thursday, February 19, 2015

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Centennial Campus, North Carolina State University

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**Emcee Katie Starr** is a WomenNC 2011 Fellow Alumna (NCSU, 2011) and currently serves as a WomenNC Board Member. After concluding her 27-month service as a Peace Corps Volunteer in East Java, Indonesia (2012-2014), Katie returned to the U.S to pursue a Master's in Public Health in Maternal and Child Health at the Gillings School of Global Public Health at UNC-Chapel Hill.

#### WomenNC 2015 CSW Fellows and Research Topics:

**Liv Alvarado** – Master's Degree Student, Meredith College, Raleigh, NC

**Topic:** *Women in the Military: Family Support and Respect in the Workplace*

**Best Practice Models:** Women Veteran Support Services (NC), Breastfeeding in Combat Boots

**Alison Domonoske** – Senior, UNC-Chapel Hill, NC

**Topic:** *Women and Labor: Evolution of Global Hospitality Housekeeping Work*

**Best Practice Models:** UNC Housekeeping Assoc. & Student Action with Workers (SAW)

**Mina Ezikpe** – Sophomore, Duke University, Durham, NC

**Topic:** *Women in the Prison System: Mechanisms for Re-Entry*

**Best Practice Model:** InStepp, Durham

**Josh King** – Senior, UNC-Chapel Hill, NC

**Topic:** *All Lives Matter: Preventing Suicide in Trans\* Youth*

**Best Practice Models:** NC Harm Reduction Coalition, LGBT Center of Raleigh

**Dana Raphael** – Sophomore, Duke University, Durham, NC

**Topic:** *Effects of Sexual Education on Preventing Sexual Assault*

**Best Practice Models:** Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Coalition of NC, Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault, Orange County Rape Crisis Center

**Justine Schnitzler** – Sophomore, NC State University, Raleigh, NC

**Topic:** *Women and Health: Funding & Supporting Reproductive Health Clinics*

**Best Practice Models:** IPAS (global connection), Planned Parenthood

**Dina Shehata** – Master's Degree Student, NC State University, Raleigh, NC

**Topic:** *Women Leaders and the Media: Journey to the Top*

**Best Practice Models:** Girls on the Run, Girls Rock NC, Girl Talk Foundation, Inc.

#### Community Impact of WomenNC 2014-15

The WNC Student Fellowship program has been the signature program for WomenNC since 2009 and embodies the focus of our strategic plan to foster young adult leadership development, advocacy, and community partnerships. These efforts contribute towards our vision to *raise a generation that honors women's human rights*. In the past year, our WNC Board and 23 Alumni Fellows have advocated for legislative change in NC, made dozens of educational presentations to diverse audiences, and have increased awareness and support for women's and human rights. We are especially proud to have increased our partnerships with local nonprofits, business' and universities that share our vision.

The United Nations' 59th *Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)*, Priority Theme: **"...Beijing +20, and the Platform for Action; 20 years after its adoption at the 1995 Fourth World Conference on Women"**.

#### Program

**5:00 – 6:30pm** Registration and Reception, Raffle Ticket Purchases

**6:30pm** Dinner served

**6:30 – 8:30pm** Evening Program, Emcee – Katie Starr

- **Briefing: Cities for CEDAW** – Sarah Scriven, WomenNC 2014 Fellow
- **Keynote Speaker: Annie Clark**
- **Presentations: WomenNC 2015 Fellows**
- **Dessert Served**
- **Presentations: WomenNC 2015 Fellows**
- **Q & A: WomenNC 2015 Fellows and Annie Clarke**
- **Closing:**
  - Emcee Katie Starr
  - "Let's Ratify CEDAW", Slater Newman, PhD (Board of Advisors)
  - Raffle Winner Announcements (Must be Present to Win)

**Annie E. Clark** (WomenNC 2011 Fellow, UNC-CH) is a writer, spokesperson and co-founder of **End Rape On Campus**, an organization supporting sexual assault survivors. Her work has been featured in the *N.Y. Times*, on *CNN*, *CBS*, *NPR*, and in *Vogue* and *Glamour* magazines. Since 2013, Annie has been working on a documentary entitled, **"The Hunting Ground"**, about survivors of sexual assault. The film premiered at 2015 *Sundance Film Festival*, and will be in theatres Feb. 27th. She is a contributor to *MSNBC* and the *Huffington Post*, and was recently selected, alongside Barack Obama, as one of the most influential forces in *U.S. Higher Education*.



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