

Welcome to

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Lakehead  
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Department of  
Women's  
Studies

## Message from the Chair

We're happy to welcome you back, or to Lakehead if you've just joined us! Make sure to get out and enjoy what Thunder Bay has to offer, from hiking to theatre, great restaurants to camping, and more.

We have exciting events coming up this term, including great speakers for our Brown Bag lunch speaker series. Please keep an eye on email, our website, or the Communications Bulletin for upcoming events!

Faculty have been busy this summer with our research, and are now enjoying being back in the classroom with you.

Remember that you can do a lot with your Women's Studies degree, and that we're the only Department that will provide you with required public sector Core Competency training in each of our classes!

Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions about the program or university life in general.

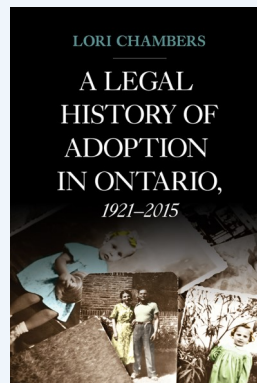
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## Dr. Lori Chambers completed her book!

*A Legal History of Adoption in Ontario, 1921-2015*. University of Toronto Press/Osgoode Society Press, Fall 2016.

Lori's book traces the history of adoption law in Ontario from 1921, when the first *Adoption Act* was passed. She details the origins and passage of legislation and examines a series of legal changes and accompanying controversies, from debates about the meaning of consent by birth mothers, to same-sex adoption.



## New Women's Studies Programs!

Attention **Social Work Students!**

We're happy to announce **three new programs:**  
**Concentration** in Women's Studies with Honours in Social Work (Thunder Bay)

**Specialization** in Women's Studies with Honours in Social Work (Orillia)

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## Women's & Gender Studies Student Association (WGSSA)

The purpose of the WGSSA is to provide and promote a safe and welcoming space for the students in or interested in Women's Studies programs. We seek to build bridges between undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as the professors. We are an inclusive group and hope to facilitate a safe and fun space to students regardless of race, gender, sex, class, sexual orientation, religion, etc.

Check out our website for information about this and other activities around campus!

[www.lakeheadu.ca/academics/departments/womensstudies](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/academics/departments/womensstudies)

# WHAT WE DID ON OUR SUMMER (NOT) VACATION!

"A Doubt is Not the Same Thing as a Risk: Prenatal Ultrasound Imaging and Maternal Responsibility",  
**Chisholm, J.**, presentation

"Elective Prenatal Ultrasound Imaging and the Controversy of Sex Selective Abortion", **Chisholm, J.**,  
presentation

"Ethical Space, Community Engagement and Cervical Cancer Screening", **Wakewich, P.**, presentation

"Genre, Gender, Representation, and the Mainstream Media", **J. Roth**, presentation

"'Incorrigible slut': The Dangers of Women's Sexuality in Reporting HIV Sexual Assault Cases", **Roth, J** and  
Saunders, C.

"Jordan's Principle: The Struggle to Access On-Reserve Medical Care for High Needs Indigenous Children in  
Canada", **Chambers, L.**, and Burnett, K.

"Just Language: How People Use Narrative to Understand Law", **Roth, J.** and Flegel, M.

"Open speech: Identifying Effective Anti-Islamophobic Discourse in the wake of *R. v. N.S.*", **Roth, J.** and  
**Chambers, L.**

"*R. v. Ryan*, Coercive Control and the Investigation of the RCMP", **Chambers, L.**, and Verrelli, N.

"Settler Colonialism and Indigenous Hunger: Federal Indian Policy in Northern Canada since 1945", Burnett,  
K., Hay, T., and **Chambers, L.**

"Social Determinants of Health and Barriers to Cervical Cancer Screening for Vulnerable and Marginalized  
Women in Canada", **Wakewich, P.**, presentation

"Still Working Under the Shadow of Men? The Status of Women in the Historical Profession in Canada",  
Chenier, E., and **Chambers, L.**, and Toews, A.

"Veiled Women in Canada: Motivations and Experiences", Rahmath-Ansari, S., **Chambers, L.**, and  
**Wakewich, P.**

## WOMEN'S STUDIES SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

### HELEN SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD, Min. \$500

The top WOME 1100 student who is a declared Women's Studies Major. (You can add to your Major at any time via the Registrar.)

### MILLIE BARRETT MEMORIAL AWARD \$550

### PEGGY TRIPP MEMORIAL WOMEN'S STUDIES STUDENT AWARD \$500

BURSARIES x2: Applications due October

DETAILS [www.lakeheadu.ca/academics/departments/womensstudies](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/academics/departments/womensstudies)

Keep an eye out for our Brown Bag Speaker series and be sure to come out! Our first event is **September 30th at 12:00 in ATAC 5036** and will feature visiting PhD researcher, Bailey Gerrits, who will speak on "Truth and Storytelling" in domestic violence reports.





## YOGA ... HEALTHY FOR YOUR BODY AND MIND

In addition to her academic pursuits, **Dr. Chisholm** is an avid yogi and obtained her 200-hour Hatha Yoga Teacher Training certificate this summer, through the Mothership School of Yoga in London, Ontario. She is excited to start teaching some all-levels restorative yoga classes with the Gender Issues Centre this fall! **Dr. Chisholm** writes creatively about her experiences with yoga and academia, some of which has been published by the "Fit is a Feminist Issue" blog.

### Services on Campus

#### STUDENT SUCCESS CENTRE

<https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/ssc>

#### SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & LOANS

<https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/safa>

#### GENDER ISSUES CENTRE

<http://gic.lusu.ca/>

**Bailey Gerrits** is a visiting graduate student researcher at Lakehead University, on scholarship with the International Council for Canadian Studies. Bailey is pursuing a PhD in political studies at Queen's University, investigating Canadian news coverage of domestic violence and interrogating how news patterns about domestic violence are produced. To examine news production, Bailey is doing fieldwork in four Ontario cities: Thunder Bay, Kingston, Ottawa, and Toronto.



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