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University Interdisciplinary Colloquium — Spring 2022

SKEPTICISM ABOUT INTERDISCIPLINARITY Apr. 15, 2022

2022 University Interdisciplinary Colloquium with Dr. Michael O'Rourke "Skepticism About Interdisciplinarity"

April 15th, 2022

12PM-1PM EDT via Zoom Zoom Link: https://msu.zoom.us/j/95048790349

MICHAEL O'ROURKE

DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR INTERDISCIPLINARITY

Passcode: msuc4i Interdisciplinarity has been an important mode of knowledge

organization for decades, but there remains a diversity of opinion about what it is. In this talk, I'll consider a range of different ways of thinking about what counts as interdisciplinarity. These include ways of thinking that turn on different conceptions of disciplinarily, as well as different ways of conceptualizing the combination of disciplines. I'll then marshal a few skeptical considerations against the very idea of interdisciplinarity, developing the common charge that interdisciplinarity is just a meaningless buzzword. I will close by evaluating these considerations and their implications for interdisciplinary research and practice.

HANDBOOK FOR ART, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

celebrate the authors' contributions.

bring the handbook to life.

Register for the event:

C4I Online Book Launch Event

AUTHOR'S BOOK LAUNCH EVENT Hannah Star Rogers, Megan K Halpern, Dehlia Hannah, Kathryn de Ridder-Vignone The editors of the Routledge Handbook for Art, Science & Technology Studies invite you to join us for an online launch event to

April 15th 11 AM EST/4 PM CET The launch will begin on Zoom, where the four editors will speak briefly about the collaborative efforts to

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The Routledge Handbook of Art, Science, and Technology Studies

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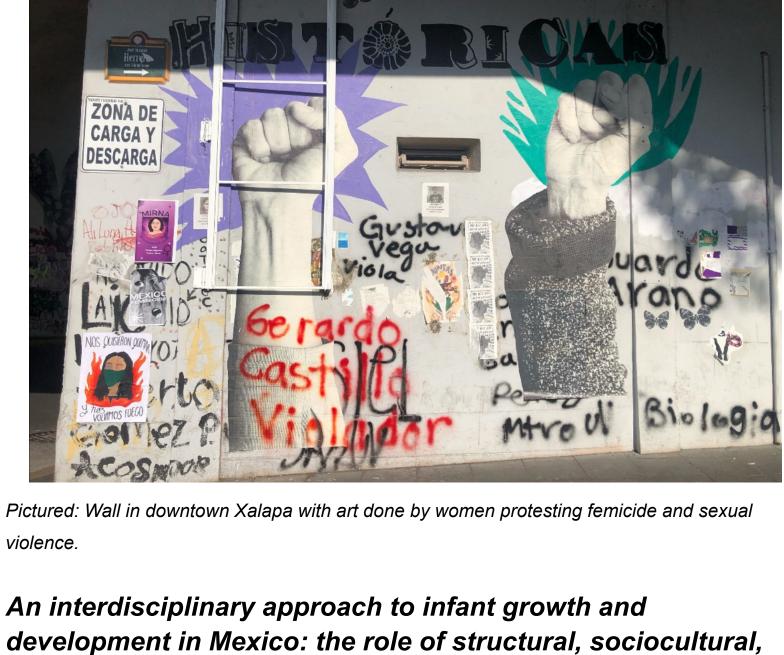
interests of this emerging field. It explores the questions, methodologies, and theoretical implications of scholarship and practice that arise at the intersection of art and STS. More than sixty artists, scientists, STS scholars, and curators contributed to this 42 chapter book. The text contains ten sections, each of which include a short introduction to an aspect of ASTS which helps to situate and summarize the concepts analyzed in each section, and a full color Gallery section with a selection of art-science works. section with a selection of art-science works. The C4I Affiliate Faculty List is Here!

launched. Be sure to check out the excellent affiliate scholars

The C4I Affiliate Faculty web page directory has now been

This week we are featuring An interdisciplinary approach to infant growth and development in Mexico: the role of structural, sociocultural, and

biological factors, which is led by Professor Megan Dean (Philosophy).



and biological factors Our project examines infant growth and development in relation to infant

feeding practices, immune response, and human milk. Our interdisciplinary

team is composed by Megan Dean and Elena Ruíz from Michigan State University's (MSU) Department of Philosophy, Alejandra Núñez de la Mora from Universidad Veracruzana's Instituto de Investigaciones Psicológicas, and by Masako Fujita and Nerli Paredes Ruvalcaba from MSU's Department of Anthropology. Funding from C4I will provide the opportunity to further examine these associations within the context of economic inequalities, racism, and gender-based violence. The goal of this project is to construct an interdisciplinary framework that links the structural, sociocultural context of infant-feeding practices to infant growth and development.

Additionally, funding from the C4I will facilitate the establishment of a collective of mothers and caretakers to build community with each other and to enable future, long-term collaborations to conduct community-based participatory research. This research comes at a critical time and place as the COVID-19 pandemic has constrained medical and community resources contributing to a rise in maternal mortality and the stop of some

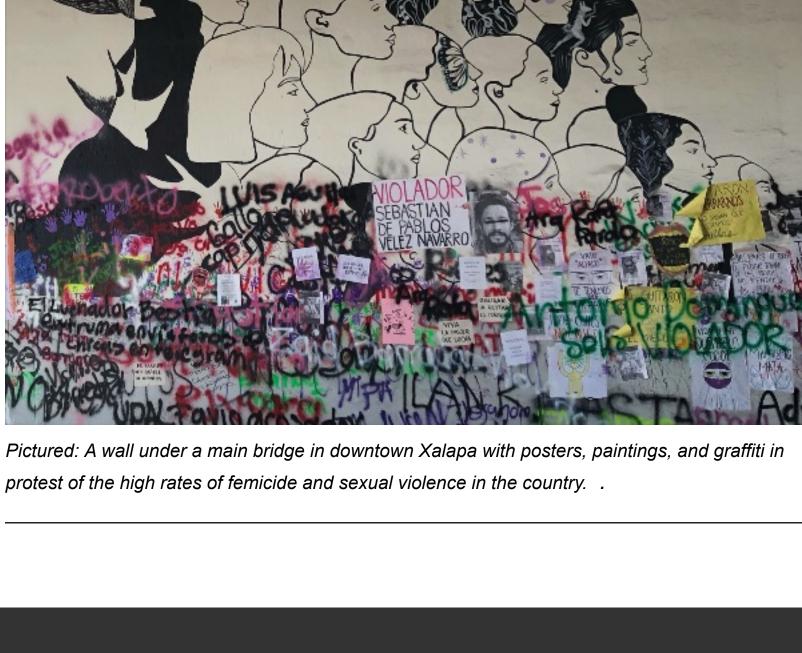
health services previously provided to pregnant people. Moreover, Mexico

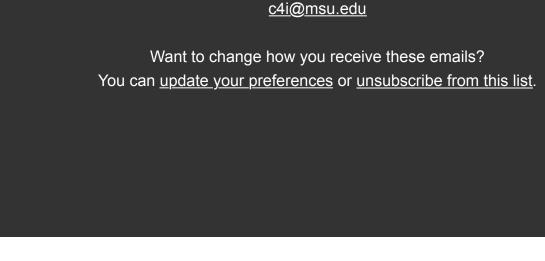
average of 10 women being killed per day, giving rise to widescale protests

demanding an end to gender-based violence. We've captured some of this

has high rates of maternal mortality and gender-based violence, with an

context in the photographs included here, which depict community resistance against femicide and sexual violence in one of our research sites.





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