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"Gendering Hemispheric Studies"

Southwestern University
Tuesday, April 12, 2011
4:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Atrium
Reception immediately follows

"Gendering Hemispheric Studies" explores the key but often unacknowledged role that gender and women's studies has played in the shift in American Studies from a nationbased to a transnational and hemispheric orientation in recent years. After laying out the critical landscape, the talk focuses on the genre of the cross-dressing civil war soldier narrative and more particularly on Loreta Velazquez's 1876 Woman in Battle: The Civil War Narrative of Loreta Janeta Velazquez, Cuban Woman and Confederate Soldier to tease out the utility of gender as a rubric for hemispheric studies.

