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Eating History: At the Intersection of the Life Course and Social History

Masterclass presented by Hannah Landecker
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Event details

Masterclass with PhD students/postdocs

Date: Tuesday 8th September
2015

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Wills Building (off
Wills court), 553 Seminar
Room, University of Adelaide

Free admission but bookings
essential

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Light refreshments provided

Biologists, biological anthropologists, and to a certain extent social historians are beginning to ask how widespread industrialization of food and pharmaceuticals in the twentieth century is changing human development and the life course in the twenty-first century. This class will look at antibiotics and milk as two major twentieth century industrialized commodities that are now being investigated as biologically active agents in human development. As social objects with biological activity, these examples also challenge us to rethink disciplinary distinctions between biology and social sciences.

Please visit the Fay Gale Centre's Blog
<http://blogs.adelaide.edu.au/gender/> to access the two
readings for this masterclass

Bio: Hannah Landecker holds a joint appointment in the life and social sciences at the University of California Los Angeles, where she is the Director of the Institute for Society and Genetics, and an Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology. Her PhD in Science and Technology Studies from MIT was followed by a postdoc at the Max Planck Institute for the History of Science in Berlin, and several years teaching medical anthropology at Rice University, before moving to UCLA in 2008. She is the author of *Culturing Life: How Cells Became Technologies* (Harvard, 2007), and a body of work on the use of film technology in the life sciences. Her research draws on and contributes to issues central to feminist science studies: the commercialization of life and reproduction, biology as a site of social engineering, implications of epigenetics for the social and self-governance of pregnancy, and philosophical tensions between plasticity and determinism in biomedical explanations of human nature and disease. A/Prof's visit is supported by an Interdisciplinary Research Fund Grant and the Fay Gale Centre for Research on Gender.