

#### THE INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES PRESENTS

## "Sex, Shame and Suicide: Policing White Male Heterosexuality in South Africa during Apartheid"

#### WITH

## Dr. Susanne Klausen Associate Professor (History) Carleton University

### Wednesday, March 5, 1:00- 2:30 pm

# 433 Paterson Hall, Carleton University\*

Susanne Klausen explores the politics of reproduction in modern South Africa, employing a transnational lens on the past. She is the author of *Race, Maternity and the Politics of Birth Control in South Africa* (Houndmills, U.K.: Palgrave Macmillan, 2004), and a forthcoming book, *Abortion Under Apartheid: Nationalism, Sexuality and Women's Reproductive Rights in South Africa, 1948-1990* (Oxford University Press-USA). Her new research examines the South African state's enforcement of the Immorality Act that criminalized trans-racial sex during apartheid (1948-1990) and the impact that arrest and prosecution had on the white men charged with contravening the law. In conjunction with a colleague in South Africa, she is also beginning a research project on the history of thalidomide in Africa.

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