

African American Studies, Women's Gender, and Sexuality Studies  
and the Department of Political Science presents:

## Dr. Nicole Files-Thompson

Assistant Professor of Communication at The Lincoln University of Pennsylvania.

March 24, 2014

### **Meet & Greet Luncheon**

BRNG 2243 12:00-1:15pm

### **Lecture**

BRNG B 222 1:30-2:20pm

## **InterSEXtionalty: The political economy of tourism and the feminine body in the intercultural exchange**



### Talk Abstract:

Feelings of empowerment in the narratives of tourists in Jamaica can lend insight into how articulations of the feminine body can act as sites of empowerment for Black women in the tourist space. Yet, the fluidity of power is evidenced as the empowered body was articulated through perceptions of sexual objectification on the part of Jamaican men in the intercultural exchange. This presentation explores how an imperfect empowerment of the feminine body for tourists in Jamaica intertwines with the political economy of tourism.

### About the Speaker:

Dr. Nicole Files-Thompson is an Assistant Professor of Communication at The Lincoln University of Pennsylvania. A former scholar-in-residence at Emerson College and Frederick Douglass Fellow, her work takes an interdisciplinary approach to the politics of sexuality and empowerment for African Americans via mediated and human communication.

Currently serving as the Chair of Intercultural Communication for the Eastern Communications Association (ECA) and Second Vice Chair of African American Communication and Culture for the National Communication Association (NCA), her most recent publication is in the *Journal of Communication, Culture, and Critique*.

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