

Relatives of People with Disabilities. Interdisciplinary Perspectives

Universität Passau, 22 to 23 May 2025

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Program

Thursday, 22 May 2025

- 8.15** Registration
8.45-9.00 Words of welcome
9.00-9.30 Introduction: a new field of research?
(Susanne Hartwig, Passau)

1. Historical Views (Chair: Julio E. Checa Puerta)

- 9.30-10.00** Families with disabled children in East and West Germany before 1990 – a historical comparison
(Gabriele Lingelbach, Kiel)
10.00-10.30 Home Laboratories. Family Networks of Domestic Autism Research in the 1970s and 1980s
(Herbert Schwaab, Regensburg)
10.30-11.00 Discussion
11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

2. Voicing Relatives (Chair: Christian von Tschilschke)

- 11.30-12.00** Relatives of mentally disabled people – challenges and coping mechanisms
(Dieter Kulke, Würzburg)
12.00-12.30 The visibility of relatives of people with down syndrome: A multimodal analysis of Instagram posts from a social semiotic cross-cultural perspective
(Anna Ladilova, Gießen)
12.30-13.00 Discussion

Lunch (Mensa)

3. Fictional Narratives (I): Europe (Chair: Herbert Schwaab)

- 14.30-15.00** Expanded disability: limits and visibility beyond care
(Julio E. Checa Puerta, Madrid)
- 15.00-15.30** Double Challenges. Family Life with Disabled Adolescents in
Contemporary Coming-of-Age Novels
(Johannes Görbert, Fribourg)
- 15.30-16.00** Representations of family members in Autie-biography and neurotypical
memoir: between acceptance and autonomy
(Katarzyna Nowak-McNeice, Wroclaw)
- 16.00-16.30** Discussion
- 16.30-17.00** Coffee break

4. Fictional Narratives (II): Latin America (Chair: Anette Pankratz)

- 17.00-17.30** From Hephaistos to Latin America: Cruelty and Revenge by Disabled
Figures in Myth and Modern Fiction
(Helena Houvenaghel, Utrecht)
- 17.30-18.00** Beyond Diagnosis: Argentinean Contemporary Novels and the
Biographical Disruption of Family Narratives in the Face of Disability
(Soledad Pereyra, Buenos Aires)
- 18.00-18.30** A Decentered Kinship: Disability and Family Ties in Mexican Literary
Genealogies
(Susan Antebi, Toronto) [online]
- 18.30-19.00** Discussion
- 19.30** Dinner at *Heiliggeist-Stift*

Friday, 23 May 2025

5. Development challenges (Chair: Helena Houvenaghel)

- 9.00-9.30** Vision impairments as a development challenge
(Michael Grimm, Passau)
- 9.30-10.00** Like an oasis in the desert: support and accompaniment of and for
families of people with “disabilities” and/or affected by leprosy
(Beatriz Miranda Galarza, Mexico)
- 10.00-10.30** Disability, women and poverty. How the family impacts on the teacher
training of female teachers of education oriented in disability. Argentina
2001-2016
(Alejandro Gasel, Río Gallegos)
- 10.30-11.00** Discussion
- 11.00-11.30** Coffee break

6. Fictional Narratives (III): Latin America (Chair: Ryan Prout)

- 11.30-12.00** Parents, promoters and teachers of people with Down syndrome paving paths in a corpus of Hispanic audiovisual production (Mónica Montes Betancourt, Bogotá)
- 12.00-12.30** Out of Shape: Emotional Bonds and Caregiving in *Los Despiertos* by Matías Fernández Burzaco (Malena Pastoriza, Passau)
- 12.30-13.00** Discussion

Lunch (PADU)

7. Filmic representations (Chair: Johannes Görbert)

- 15.00-15.30** Co-disability in fictional films about autism (Christian von Tschilschke, Münster)
- 15.30-16.00** (Funny) Failures: Relationships with Disabilities in British Fiction, Film and Television (Anette Pankratz, Bochum)
- 16.00-16.30** Dependents and Independence: What changes do disabled people and relatives of people with disability in Bulgaria want to see? A Report from the *All is Not Well: Bulgaria* project. (Ryan Prout, Cardiff)
- 16.30-17.00** Discussion
- 17.00-17.30** Coffee Break with impressions from the Exposition „Wunschkind“ (Desired Child) of the photographer Klaus Heymach (Berlin) (Foyer of the Central Library of the University)
- 17.30-18.30** Final Discussion
- 19.30** Dinner at *Altes Bräuhaus* Restaurant