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Wednesday Gender Seminar



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Date: 25th Jan 2017 (Wed)

Time: 12:30 – 2:00 pm

Venue:

Room 502, Wong Foo Yuan Building

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Language: English

Sex, Disability and the Ethics of Engagement



Abstract:

The talk will present findings from *Loneliness and its Opposite* a recent comparative study of sexuality and disability in Sweden and Denmark (Kulick and Rydström 2015). The speaker will discuss how the sexual lives of adults with significant disabilities are facilitated in Denmark, and how they are impeded in Sweden. The speaker will argue that access to sexuality for disabled people is not a right; it is an issue of fundamental social justice.

Speaker:
Prof. Don Kulick,
Professor, Uppsala University,
Department of Cultural Anthropology and Ethnology,
Sweden

Mini-biography:

Don Kulick is Distinguished University Professor of Anthropology at Uppsala University in Sweden, where he directs a large research program titled “Engaging Vulnerability”. He has conducted long-term fieldwork in Papua New Guinea, Brazil, and Scandinavia, and has published in a number of fields, including linguistic anthropology, sexuality and gender studies, and disability studies. His books include *Travesti: sex, gender and culture among Brazilian transgendered prostitutes* (1998); *Taboo: sex, gender and erotic subjectivity in anthropological fieldwork* (1995; with Margaret Willson); *Fat: the anthropology of an obsession* (2005, with Anne Meneley); *Language and Sexuality* (2003, with Deborah Cameron); and *Loneliness and its Opposite: sex, disability and the ethics of engagement* (2015, with Jens Rydström).

Chairperson: Prof. Hsun-hui Tseng,
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