

**SLLC colloquium series**  
**GENDER(ED) LANGUAGE IN THE CLASSROOM**  
**thursday, march 11, 4pm**



**Participants**

- Oliver Seifert-Gram, MA student, German
- Vanessa Awa, PhD student, French
- Dr. Elena Doludenko, Visiting Assistant Professor, Russian

**Description:** Feminist activists, trans/gender non-conforming humans, and confused language learners grappling with (de)gendering nouns, verbs, and adjectives have long sparked debate over the grammar of so-called “gendered” languages. Through a cross-discussion of French, Russian, and German, this panel will explore broader, more gender-thoughtful approaches to second-language instruction by examining the ways in which different languages are gendered by, as well as gender their speakers. Topics for discussion will include language as a source of gender confusion or rigidity, solutions for teaching “gendered” languages inclusively, and the implications of language shifts (or lack thereof) towards gender neutrality on inclusive language instruction. *Come with your own stories and approaches. Our panelists will offer brief presentations to launch a broader discussion. Open to all members of the MU community.*

**Register in advance for this meeting (MU email addresses only):**

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