

University of Oregon  
**Disability Studies Forum 2014**  
Thursday, October 30

**KEYNOTE LUNCHEON** 11-1 Ford Alumni Center Ballroom  
1720 E. 13th Ave., Eugene

**Keynote Speaker: Rosemarie Garland-Thomson**  
Professor of English and Co-Director of the Disability Studies  
Initiative, Emory University

**“Habitable Worlds: Disability, Technology, and Eugenics”**



The shape of the material world we build and occupy together expresses and determines who inhabits it. Professor Garland-Thomson examines how we use technologies—from tools to stories—to make human communities. She addresses ethical questions about why we might want disability in the world and what we lose when we eliminate disability. Rosemarie Garland-Thomson is one of the most influential and respected figures in disability studies. She is the author of *Staring: How We Look, Extraordinary Bodies*, and several other books.

**Luncheon space is limited. Please RSVP by October 20  
to [emagee@uoregon.edu](mailto:emagee@uoregon.edu).**

**COMMUNITY CONVERSATION 3-5 pm Gerlinger Lounge**

**Distinguished guests and UO faculty share their visions of disability studies. Come share yours with us, too. Prof. Garland-Thomson will serve as respondent. Appetizers and open bar.**



**Allison P. Hobgood** Associate Professor of English and Gender Studies at Willamette University and editor of *Recovering Disability in Early Modern England*



**José Alaniz** Associate Professor of Slavic and Director of the Disability Studies Program at the University of Washington and author of *Death, Disability and the Superhero*

**University of Oregon Faculty Speakers: Kyu-Ho Ahn**, Architecture; **Donna Z. Davis**, Journalism and Communication; **Ellen Herman**, History; **Johanna Larson**, ASL and Deaf Culture; **Kiersten Muenchinger**, Product Design; **Susan Sygall**, International Studies and Mobility International USA; **Heidi Von Ravensberg**, School of Law; **Elizabeth Wheeler**, English.

Both events are free and open to the public and will be ASL interpreted and open captioned. Menus for both events include vegan and gluten-free options. Please send other requests for disability accommodation to [emagee@uoregon.edu](mailto:emagee@uoregon.edu).

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