THINKING AND RESEARCHING PSYCHOSOCIALLY

A ONE DAY SEMINAR, SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT, JOHN JAY COLLEGE, 899 TENTH AVENUE, BETWEEN 58TH AND 59TH STREET

Date: Monday, 5th May, 2008, 9.30AM – 5PM
Location: Room 630T

PROGRAM:

9.30: REGISTRATION AND COFFEE

10.00 – 11.30: Session One: Thinking Psychosocially

Four speakers (15 minutes each, followed by a plenary discussion):
Abby Stein, Danny Kessler, Tony Jefferson (John Jay College), Lynn Chancer (Hunter College)

11.30 – 11.45: COFFEE

11.45 – 1.15: Session Two: Researching psychosocially

Small Groups 1
Allison Pease: ‘Women and boredom in the early 20th century’
Katie Gentile: ‘Psychosocial issues in collaborative research’
Luis Barrios: ‘Fanon and critical psychology’
Tony Jefferson: ‘Psychosocial issues in research on racism’
Shuki Cohen: ‘Social contexts and psychotherapies’

1.15 – 2.15: LUNCH

2.15 – 3.30: Session Three: Reflecting Psychosocially

Small Groups 2
How are psychosocial studies constituted as a trans-disciplinary field?
What is their relation to psychology and sociology and what is the role of psychoanalysis?
What does a psychosocial approach offer to applied fields and what does it draw from them?
What might be a genealogy of an emergent psychosocial tradition?
Can we find a common language to speak across different theoretical traditions?

3.30 – 5.00: Session Four: Final plenary: report back from small groups 2 and ‘where next?’