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DECOLONIAL INTERSEX INTERVENTIONS

**SOUTH AFRICAN
REFUSALS OF COLONIAL
FALLACIES AND
SCIENTIFIC RACISM**

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5:00 - 6:30 PM

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SCIENTISTS HAVE FALSELY CLAIMED THAT “HERMAPHRODITISM” AND INTERSEX ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY COMMON AMONG BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS FOR CENTURIES. THIS TALK DRAWS ON SWARR’S LATEST BOOK, *ENVISIONING AFRICAN INTERSEX* (DUKE UNIVERSITY PRESS, 2023) TO DEBUNK THIS CLAIM AND INTERROGATE CONTEMPORARY INTERSEX MEDICINE. SINCE THE 1990S, HISTORIES OF RACIALIZED INTERSEX HAVE INSPIRED DECOLONIAL COLLECTIVE ACTIONS BY INTERSEX SOUTH AFRICANS. THIS TALK CENTERS ON THESE ACTIVISTS’ STRATEGIES FOR INCITING POLICY CHANGES AND THEIR ARTICULATIONS OF NEW DECOLONIAL VISIONS OF GENDER.

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