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## “Gender, Sexuality, and the Problem of Memory”

Tuesday, November 10, 2009  
Pembroke Hall, 305  
5:00 pm

Fausto-Sterling will present her recent, exploratory inquiries into attempts to explain the varieties of gender expression and human sexual desire. She will look at social scientific use of personal memory as a form of statistically analyzable data, contrasting this use with contemporary neurobiological understandings of how memory works. Following two recent books (Ansermet et al, *The Biology of Freedom*, and Harris's *Gender as Soft Assembly*), she will show how neurobiology may have more in common with psychoanalytic understandings of memory than it does with psychology or sociology.

There will be a reception to celebrate the new Nancy Duke Lewis Professor.