

The College of Health Science's Women in Leadership and Leverage Committee (WILL)

> invite you to attend the following workshop Presented By

**Chantal Juanita Christopher** 

Lecturer in the School of Health Sciences

## Meaning Making/Making Meaning

**Decolonising Research from Within** 

Date 27 October 2016, Thursday

> **Time** 13:00-14:30

## Venue

Govan Mbeki Executive Seminar Room, Westville Campus, University of KwaZulu-Natal

## Convenor

Dr. Pragashnie Govender

RSVP Essential by 13 October 2016 (max 30 Participants)

RSVP and Enquiries to be forwarded to will.ukzn@gmail.com



## **Chantal Juanita Christopher**

Chantal is an academic within the Discipline of Occupational Therapy at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Her degrees have been in Occupational Therapy, a Master's in Philosophy of Groupwork and a Post graduate Diploma in HIV/AIDS Clinical Management. Her postgraduate research (Master's) focused on racial integration within Occupational Therapy classrooms and found glaring neo-apartheid experiences that speaks to a "too slowly emerging non-racial world" and the contemporary inequities of South African society.

Presently she is a PhD candidate focusing on understanding women and recreation in a historically marginalised population. She is passionate about changing society through advocacy, academic based outreach, and research. An experiential lecturer, guided by Freire and Gramsci, she tries to imbue in her students a thirst for knowledge and critical thinking that coupled with a worldview that speaks to examining, analysing and intervening at source issues, this creates an activist intelligence quotient that bodes well for future therapists.

A seasoned qualitative inquirer, Chantal is interested in research that has impact on a changing South African context and society. She is driven to examine and deconstruct research practices within her field and the Academy at large, and ask uncomfortable questions regarding our purview, practices and methodologies, focus and drivers.

During this workshop individuals will unpack their research worldview and ask themselves these hard questions. Cognitive dissonance is assured. Contact: christopherc@ukzn.ac.za

Light refreshments will be served before the workshop