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## Introducing "Cultural Safety" to Population and Public Health

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**Date:** Friday, November 25th 2011

**Time:** 1:30pm to 3:30pm

**Place:** Harbour Centre, Room 2925

### Abstract

The notion of "cultural safety" is a relatively new concept that has its origins within the Maori nursing education context of New Zealand. Over the last decade, this concept has transcended national boundaries and increasingly gained international influence across a variety of professional and political organizations and associations concerned with redressing health inequities and achieving social justice. By raising a set of ethical questions, cultural safety provides a critical and reflexive lens for understanding how dominant discourses shape the health care and illness experience, and permeate research, institutions, policies and everyday practice.

This colloquium aims to introduce 'cultural safety' to the discipline of health sciences and to explore its methodological implications for population and public health research by using cultural safety as an entry point to draw attention to and prompt critical reflection on current research practices and goals.

### Bio

Viviane is a PhD candidate at the Faculty of Health Sciences, SFU. With postgraduate training in nursing, psychology and social policy, Viviane brings a strong interdisciplinary background to her work.

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