

Monthly Seminar

Anthropology of Children

Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, VU University Amsterdam

Monday 17 January 2011 13.30-15.00

VU University Amsterdam, Main Building, room 1A-11

Challenges in Research With Children Affected by HIV/AIDS

Presentation by Drs. Mienke van der Brug, PhD, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, VU University Amsterdam

Many children in Namibia are affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic. They have lost one or both parents to AIDS and an increasing group of children is HIV positive. The caregivers of these children are often reticent to speak with them about the death of parents, HIV/AIDS, and disclosure of the child's HIV positive status. Mienke van der Brug will discuss her research with children on grief, bereavement and well-being in this context, and will give insight into her methodology envisaged during her upcoming PhD fieldwork in northern Namibia.



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