

Brown University Department of Comparative Literature



## Graduate Student Speaker Series

### Naminata Diabate

Africana Studies & Research Center  
Cornell University

### “Naked Protest and Hospitality in Comparative Literature”

**Wednesday**

**May 3, 2017**

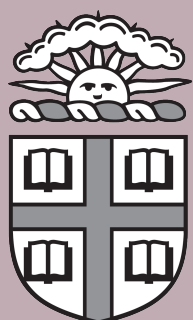
**5:30 pm**

**Brown Faculty Club**

**1 Magee Street**

Naminata Diabate is a scholar of sexuality, race, biopolitics and postcoloniality in African, African American, Caribbean and Afro-Hispanic literatures, cultures, and film. Her current teaching at Cornell University focuses on forms of gendered, sexual and racialized agency in a variety of cultural products. These explorations of practices and filmic and literary texts in Malinke, French, English, and Spanish take the trans African context as their points of departure to make broader contributions to transnational reflections on questions of agency and resistance. Dr. Diabate’s doctoral thesis at the University of Texas, Austin, was titled *Genital Power: Female Sexuality in West African Literature and Film*.

Cosponsored by the Departments of Africana Studies, English and Comparative Literature



**BROWN**