

(Im)possibly and necessarily queering states/nations

States/nations are historical assemblages that constitute heteropatriarchal families/households as foundational units and regulate sexual activities to ensure intergenerational continuity (and attendant inequalities), especially via birthright transmission of property and citizenship claims. Yet decades of feminist/queer politics and neoliberal globalizing dynamics destabilize these household *and* state-centric arrangements, rendering feminist/queer theory a uniquely productive lens for analyzing past, present and potentially future asymmetries – and assemblages – of power. Through a cross-disciplinary consideration of heteropatriarchal, centralizing polities and their current disruptions, I explore how contemporary states/nations are intentionally, unintentionally and problematically being queered – and the personal/political/international implications of these shifting arrangements.