# Gender and #FeesMustFall

## Q: Is this class intended to create divisions? A: No, just to see the forces already around us.

## Luister

A portrait of a divided world

## I can't deal with the constant feeling of being, of feeling unwelcome. All the time. In my own country. It's crazy.

# As context: political chronology

#### 2015 Timeline

February - 1Million 1Month funding campaign at Wits 9 March - Start of #RhodesMustFall protests at UCT 9 April — Rhodes statue removed from UCT 14 Oct - Wits students protest 10.5% fee increase 16 Oct - #UPRising at Univ. Pretoria 19 Oct - Rhodes University barricaded 20 Oct - Admin B occupied in Stellenbosch

#### 2015 Timeline

21 Oct - UWC students go to Parliament, other protests at UKZN, Limpopo 23 Oct - Zuma announces zero percent fees increase, large protests in Pretoria 24 Oct - Protests continue 2-6 Nov - UJ occupation 9 Nov - Charges withdrawn against #Brixton141 10 Jan - Protests continue at Wits, demanding 'Free education now.'

#### #FeesMustFall2016

- 12 Aug Council on Higher Education advises against 0% fee increase
  - 15 Aug Protests at UKZN and Mangosutha Institute of Technology
  - 20 Aug Students block the N2 in the Eastern Cape
- 16 Sept Stellenbosch library occupiers removed by security
- 19 Sept Wits protests reignite in response to 8% fee hike news

## Luister

# How do you do anthropological analysis?

# Largely: by observing how things are represented.

### Questions one can ask

- → Who is speaking? Who is not speaking?
- → Who and what is being spoken about?
  - → How is opposition characterized?
    - → What is left unsaid?

## Gender as an object of analysis

- → Gender identities are socially ascribed (based on bodies, clothes, language. etc)
- → Gender roles change historically (e.g., transgender identities, images of masculinity & femininity)

## Gender and representation

- → What are gender roles that you observe in Luister?
- → What's the relationship between racial divides and gender roles?

## What is a gender dynamic or difference in Luister?

## Masculinity at Stellenbosch

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