

DePaul University

20th Annual
Student History Conference
Lincoln Park Campus

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Friday,
May 10, 2024
from
9:00-5:00

TITLE About the Student History Conference

AUTHOR Professor Colleen Doody

The annual student history conference is when we, as a department, celebrate our students' work and accomplishments. Now in its twentieth year, the Student History Conference began at the initiative of Dan Goffman (then chair) and the History Department to provide majors, minors, and graduate students with the opportunity to present their research to their peers, parents, and professors in a formal setting.

The papers that you will hear today reflect the work of students at different points in their education. Our undergraduates begin in History 298 and 299, where students in their sophomore or junior years learn about historical methods. For the first time, they do their own primary source research on a topic of their choice and write a paper based on this work. In History 390, students in their junior or senior years take a class in a particular content area (such as late 19th century United States history) and then spend a quarter researching and writing a paper on a topic related to that field. We are thus seeing students either at the start of their major or toward the end of their undergraduate years. At the end of today, we will give two different awards—one for the best paper written in a History 298/299 class and one for the best paper written in a 300-level course.

I want to thank those who have helped make our work relatively easy: the history faculty who teach the courses and assign and grade the papers which led to the conference presentations you will attend today; the panel commentators who chair our sessions; Anna Stephens and Jessica Fischli, our student assistants who handle all of our graphics and technology and everything else logistical; and Steven Reese, in his first year as our departmental assistant. A special thanks, too, to Julia Woesthoff, the chair of our Community Building Committee, and Lisa Sigel, who, as our chair and colleague, has supported this endeavor throughout.

To our students, we hope that you take some time to accept our congratulations, support your peers, listen to the products of their labors, and be a part of their experience. To families and friends, welcome! You have encouraged our students, and we hope you will take this opportunity to recognize the good work these young historians have done. Enjoy!

TITLE**Message From the Dean****AUTHOR****Dr. Guillermo Vásquez de Velasco**

**Dr. Guillermo
Vásquez de Velasco**

Congratulations to all participants of the 20th Annual Student History Conference. Your commitment to scholarly inquiry and the meticulous preparation of your conference papers reflect the highest standards of academic excellence.

As historians, you carry a profound responsibility to utilize your knowledge and insights to navigate the complexities of our world today. Your endeavors not only illuminate the past but also offer invaluable guidance for addressing urgent present-day challenges.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the faculty and staff of the History Department for their dedicated efforts in organizing this event. Your unwavering support ensures that our students have the opportunity to showcase their scholarship and engage in meaningful intellectual discourse.

May this conference be a platform for thought-provoking discussions, insightful reflections, and fruitful collaborations. Your contributions to the field of history this early in your careers are very impressive, and I have no doubt that your endeavors will continue to inspire and enrich our community.

TITLE**A Message From the Chair****AUTHOR****Dr. Lisa Z. Sigel****Dr. Lisa Z. Sigel**

Little did we expect that the Student History Conference would become the fixed point in our department's calendar when the conference began two decades ago. The History Conference has taken on a life of its own to become an annual ritual as members of the History Department come together as a department and a community. It is a moment to celebrate our students' successes and to enjoy the continuation of scholarship as we listen to the next generation showcase their hard work under the supportive eyes of faculty, students, alumni, associates, friends, family, and colleagues.

I recently heard a scholar speak about the university as a living library. What he meant is that as members of the university, we not only transmit knowledge but also the methods and skills through which we arrived at that knowledge. Through this process, knowledge goes from being a static body of facts to a repository of skills and ways of knowing. I hope that all of today's student presenters understand that, by earning your place in this conference, you are part of the living library and thus a vital and vitally important resource.

TITLE A Message From the Students

AUTHOR DePaul History Society Exec Board

Congratulations to all students involved in the 2024 DePaul History Conference. We are looking forward to watching everyone's scholarship and passion come through in their presentations. On behalf of the History Society, we would like to thank all the history professors, advisors, and department staff for teaching us, encouraging us, and inspiring us.

As a community of history students and enthusiasts, we encourage DePaul students and faculty to understand the world around us and where we are as people through the study of our past. We believe the values of the historical discipline can be present in everyone. I know that everyone presenting today has completely exemplified these values and mission in their research today. We are very happy for all the students presenting here today!

Roxanne Monaghan, Co-President

Grace Mueller, Co-President

Mariana Lopez, Social Media Director

Retiring Faculty

John Burton



Dr. John Burton

We would like to take a moment to honor Professor John Burton and recognize some of his many contributions to DePaul University and the Department of History. Dr. Burton earned his bachelor's degree from Saint Olaf College, two Master's Degrees-- one from the College of William and Mary and one from the University of Chicago-- and his doctorate from the College of William and Mary. He came to DePaul in 1985 as a research associate and joined the History Department in 2013. During his years at DePaul, he has served in multiple roles, including senior administrative positions within Academic Affairs and as a tenured faculty member in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, with appointments in both American Studies and History.

Professor Burton embodies interdisciplinarity in his scholarship and teaching. His expertise is wide-ranging, encompassing British and American history, historical archeology, the history of education, public policy, statistical analysis, and even business administration. He thinks broadly and travels widely. The topics of his scholarly publications range from the history of education in the United States to the archaeology of the Bahamas.

He has taught a similarly wide array of students and courses, including a popular learning domain course on the Salem witch trials. He also has led groups of students, faculty and staff on study trips to at least four continents. As Chair of the History Department during the Covid-19 pandemic, he provided calm, compassionate, and competent leadership at a critical time. We thank him for his years of service to the history department, the university, our students, and the community of all those who value and advance historical and intercultural understanding.

Lisa Sigel and Valentina Tikoff

Conference Schedule

May 10th, 2024

9:15-10:30am

First Panel

10:45-12:15pm

Second Panel

12:30-2:00pm

Lunch

Student Center 314 A/B

All are invited!

12:45-1:45pm

Alumni Panel

Student Center 314 A/B

2:00-3:15pm

Third Panel

3:30-4:00

Conference Awards

Student Center 314 A/B

4:00-5:00pm

Keynote Lecture

Student Center 314 A/B

5:00-6:00pm

Reception

Student Center 314 A/B

All are invited!

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AUTHOR First Panel: 9:15-10:30 a.m.

Civil Rights in Chicago- Room 380

**Chair: Prof.
Colleen Doody**

Serena Stern

Press Coverage of the 1983 Mayoral Election Through the Chicago Defender and the Chicago Tribune

Lauren Wiggins

"Hell No! Tell the Man We Won't Go" and the Black Alternative Press' Battle Against the Vietnam War during the Late 1960s

**Christopher
Castello**

The Interior of DePaul University's Black Student Union 1968-1969

Media-Room 315

**Chair: Prof.
Warren Schultz**

Johnny Nguyen

Newspapers' Verdict: How the Press Constructed the Story of the Haymarket Bombing

Aya Alshubbak

American Media as Little Egypt's Enemy and Ally

**Roxanne
Monaghan**

The Fascist Flight to Chicago: The Entrancement of Chicago and the United States with Italo Balbo through the Chicago Tribune

20th Century Activism-Room 324

**Chair: Prof.
Tom Krainz**

Laszlo Katona

The Black Student Union's Politics and the Black Manifesto in the 1969 SAC Takeover

Zacharia Szeszol

ACT UP, Civil Disobedience, and Political Protest

Eva Walsh

BSU Sit-In- Building a Powder Keg

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AUTHOR Second Panel: 10:45 a.m -12:15 p.m.

Early Modern World-Room 324

**Chair: Prof.
Ana Schaposchnik**

Nathaniel Kaplan

The South Sea Crash: How the English Portrayed the New Class of Stockbrokers After the Collapse of the South Sea Company

Jael Davis

Forms of Self: Expressions of Individualism in the Court of Louis XIV

**Mariana
Lopez**

La Conquista: How Imperialism and Evangelism Birthed Different Narratives

South Asia-Room 315

**Chair: Prof.
Gene Beiriger**

Patrick Wilson

Partition and Pragmatism: Shifting Loyalties of the Communist Party of India, 1934-1946

Miles Mallan

Coming to Terms with Tragedy & Trauma: The Representation of the Partition of India on Film

Jack Chum

Push and Pull: The Methods of Jinnah's Camp

20th Century Women-Room 380

**Chair: Prof.
Lisa Sigel**

Talia Bianchi

Mother Knows Best: The La Leche League and Redefining Motherhood Through Breastfeeding

Cody Harman

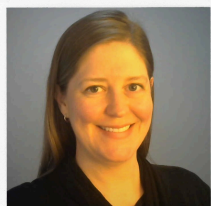
Chicago's Unsung Heros: Women's Roles in the Early Tuberculosis Movement

Natalie Bierdz

Depoliticization Through Depilation: How American Advertisers Sold the Lifestyle of Female Hairlessness

TITLE Alumni Panel 12:45-1:45pm

AUTHOR Panel Chair: Professor Amy Tyson



Beth Cron

History BA, 2004

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National Archives and Record Administration



Ramiro Hernandez

History BA, 2014

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History BA, 2003

Managing Member,
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Historian,
Mississippi National River and Recreation Area, NPS



Jason Tsyzko

History BA, 2004

Senior Vice President of Education and Workforce,
US Chamber of Commerce Foundation

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AUTHOR Third Panel: 2:00-3:15 p.m.

Material Culture-Room 380

**Chair: Prof.
Julia Woesthoff**

**Zelda Zerkel-
Morris**

Stitches in Air: National Media's Erasure of Female Labor
During the Gilded Age Lace Trend

Xyola Busch

Nineteenth Century Women and the Importance of Love: A
Material Culture Analysis of "Friendship Quilt"

Mary Wells

Fayette's Wedding Dress: Dressmaking and Memory from
Mother to Daughter

**Grace
Fitzgerald**

The Conflict over the British Museum's Responsibility in
Addressing and Returning Plundered Artworks

WWII-Room 315

**Chair: Prof.
Valentina Tikoff**

Zakaria Azmy

Temporary Relocation, Permanent Effect: The Rohwer Relocation
Camp During World War II

Erik Jones

Analyzing The Rumor Clinic Project Of WWII

Anna Stephens

Personal Narratives of World War II Army Nurse Corps Veterans

Politics and Law-Room 324

**Chair: Prof.
Tera Agyepong**

Una Cleary

Reproductive Justice and the Disposability of Minority
Women: Examining the impact of Roe v. Wade's Overturn

Gerald Fieldman

I Hate Illinois Nazis: Hate Speech, Civil Rights and The
First Amendment

**Alexandra
Lewis-Penland**

The Vicious and the Virtuous

TITLE Conference Awards 3:30-4:00p.m.

AUTHOR Dean Guillermo Vásquez de Velasco

**Kathryn DeGraff Award for the Best History Department
Undergraduate Methods Course Paper**

Alexandra Lewis-Penland

**James P. Krokaw Award for Best Paper in Advanced
Undergraduate Level Course**

Natalie Bierdz

**Cornelius Sippel-Albert Erlebacher Award for Outstanding
Achievement in History by a Major**

Matthew Coutinho Ambrose

Outstanding Achievement in History by Graduating Majors

Sarah Riddle	Maya Bral
Alison Schultz	Stephanie Crean
Matthew Coutinho	Jael Davis
Ambrose	Ember Sappington
Josephine Vanderlei	Aidan Rigg
Cody Harman	Ricardo Diaz Rosado
Aya Alshubbak	Carolena Koshg
Mary Archer	Natalie Bierdz

Outstanding Achievement in History by a Graduating Minor

Florina Chhay

TITLE

Phi Alpha Theta Induction

AUTHOR

3:30-4:00p.m.

Aya Alshubbak

Grace Archer

Natalie Bierdz

Michelle Duenas

Jamie Levit

Alexandra Lewis-Penland

Roxanne Rose Monaghan

Nicholas Jaroslav Navarro

Neil Thomas Sherman

TITLE Daniel Goffman Keynote Lecture

AUTHOR Dr. Vinayak Chaturvedi



Dr. Vinayak
Chaturvedi

**Notes from a Roman Holiday:
Unexpected Histories of Italian
Fascism, Communism, and Hindu
Nationalism**

This talk examines the Italian city of Rome as an archive to discuss connected histories of Italian and Indian political thought in the twentieth century. By exploring the intellectual links between Benito Mussolini, M.K. Gandhi, B.S. Moonje, and Antonio Gramsci, Rome quite unexpectedly became a center for intellectual exchange that influenced the directions of Hindu nationalism, Italian Fascism, and Communism.

Professor Chaturvedi provides a personal account of archival discovery in Rome that has opened new directions for research as a historian of modern South Asia. He will discuss several important moments in Roman history that have allowed him to rethink the rise of Hindu nationalism in India and its entanglement with Italian fascism for the past century.

DePaul Student Center 314, 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

TITLE	Conference Student Presenters
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AUTHOR	2024 Student History Conference
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Aya Alshubbak

Alexandra Lewis-Penland

Talia Bianchi

Mariana Lopez

Natalie Bierdz

Miles Mallan

Xyola Busch

Roxanne Monaghan

Christopher Castello

Johnny Nguyen

Jack Chum

Zacharia Szeszol

Una Cleary

Serena Stern

Jael Davis

Anna Stephens

Gerald Fieldman

Eva Walsh

Grace Fitzgerald

Mary Wells

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