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## INTRODUCTION

The University Seminars are groups of professors and other experts, from Columbia and elsewhere, who gather once a month to work together on problems that cross the boundaries between university departments.

Each seminar elects its own officers, plans its own program, and selects its own membership: members from Columbia, associate members from elsewhere, and any speakers or other guests it invites to its sessions. Approximately half of the seminars admit selected graduate students as guests. Seminar participants and speakers attend by invitation and neither pay nor are paid, although a central office supports travel and hotel expenses for speakers when its endowment income permits.

Some seminars are tight, restricted discussion groups that specialize in particular subfields; others are broad-based lecture series where eminent visitors disseminate the latest knowledge. Frank Tannenbaum, the founder of The University Seminars, believed that uniformity imposed from above would destroy them.

As independent entities, the seminars can take intellectual risks the schools and departments of the University might not otherwise assume. They provide something every great institution needs: private, autonomous venues where intellectual activity is fast, cheap, and beyond central control. Columbia is one of the few universities, or businesses, with the courage to institutionalize such independence.

The Seminars link Columbia with the intellectual resources of its local community. This outreach offers both worlds the fruits of interaction and mutual criticism, as well as the advantages of close contacts: a place to network, establish ties, exchange scholarly or professional news, or explore either side of the job market.

Seminars are closed to the general public, press, and other media. Minutes are taken at all seminar meetings. Seminars may permit their members open and immediate access to these minutes, or they may keep them closed; after five years, all minutes are incorporated into The University Seminars Digital Archive, available to scholars through the Columbia University Rare Book and Manuscript Library. Individual seminars decide which of these policies to adopt. The central office maintains a website, and each seminar has a dedicated page.

The University Seminars subsidizes the publication of certain books written under its auspices and may help individual seminars arrange conferences, either to make discoveries public or to work privately with scholars too distant to be regular seminar participants.

Scholars and others interested in attending a seminar should email their credentials to the appropriate chair. For a complete list of current seminars and chairs, please visit our website: [universityseminars.columbia.edu](http://universityseminars.columbia.edu).



Drawing of Faculty House, 1923

## HISTORY OF THE SEMINARS

In the 1930's, Professor Frank Tannenbaum and Columbia University President Nicholas Murray Butler discussed the idea of creating ongoing groups of Columbia professors and experts from the region to explore matters no single department had the breadth or the agility to study. Butler saw the idea as a quick way to mobilize the intellectual resources of the University to confront suddenly emerging problems, but World War II supervened. It was 1944 before Butler's successor, Frank Fackenthal, approved the first five University Seminars. Three of these seminars still meet: The Problem of Peace, Studies in Religion, and The Renaissance.

The University Seminars continue to serve Tannenbaum's and Butler's purposes. The Seminars have also become an intrinsic part of the enterprise that Columbia excels more than any other university: the ongoing education of its own faculty. Most of this education takes place within the academic departments, but Tannenbaum was continuing a tradition of General Education in a Core Curriculum that Columbia had been developing for thirty years. The Contemporary Civilization and the Humanities courses are famous for the breadth they give Columbia undergraduates, but the demands of teaching such wide-ranging material are astonishingly unrecognized for imparting rigor and sophistication to the professors themselves: at few universities would one find an economist teaching Plato.

This tradition positioned Columbia professors to invent the interdisciplinary regional institutes that trained graduate students to handle post-war complexities beyond their departments, and forced political scientists, economists, and literary scholars to learn from each other. Over the past seventy-three years, The University Seminars have offered specialists from Columbia and elsewhere the chance to learn and discover together.

When Tannenbaum died in 1969, there were fifty seminars. He and his wife, Jane Belo, left The Seminars approximately \$1.7 million in their wills (1969 and 1972), to be invested and reinvested as a dedicated part of Columbia's endowment. Tannenbaum wrote a charter to "protect the spontaneity of The Seminars from an unstructured situation [in which] interference is inevitable, because the desire for general rules and uniformity is irresistible."

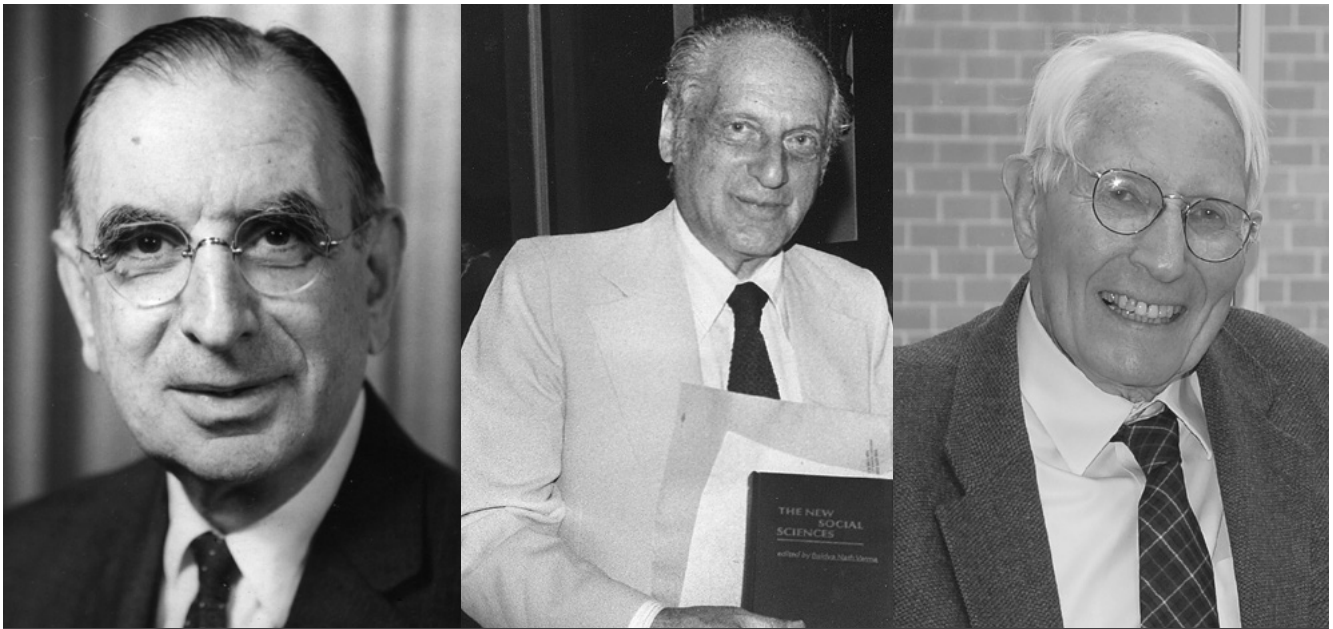
The Director of The Seminars was to be appointed by the President of the University, but Tannenbaum specified that a small Advisory Board select and guide this appointment; the Advisory Board is chosen by a general committee consisting of Columbia's president, provost, and the chairs of all the seminars.



**Frank Tannenbaum**, historian of Latin America, Slavery, and Prison Systems; Founder and first Director of The University Seminars.



**Jane Belo**, teacher, painter, and anthropologist. Photograph by Carl Van Vechten.



The philosopher **James Gutmann** succeeded **Tannenbaum** as Director of the Seminars; in 1976, **Aaron Warner** (middle), Professor of Economics and Dean of the School of General Studies, was appointed as his successor. Professor of Russian Literature **Robert L. Belknap** (right) was Director from 2001–2011.



**Robert Pollack**, Professor of Biological Sciences and current Director of The University Seminars.

In 2003, Seminars Director Robert Belknap first conceived, and then over several years implemented, the project of scanning 50 years of the pre-digital minutes of the seminars. Under his supervision, over a half million pages were scanned and preserved. In 2011, Seminars Archivist Summer Hart began working with Robert Belknap and Bob Pollack to unify the various components of the archive. Since 2015, this treasure trove of intellectual history has been available for scholarly research in the Rare Book and Manuscript Library Reading Room of Columbia's Butler Library.

In the four decades since Frank Tannenbaum's death, the number of seminars has grown to the 88 listed in this directory. About half the seminars that were founded are still meeting, while half have merged, split, or dissolved. James Gutmann followed Tannenbaum as Director from 1969 to 1975, followed by Aaron Warner from 1976 to 2000, and Robert Belknap from 2001 to 2011, when his student Robert Pollack succeeded him.



Welcome to the 2017-2018 annual summary of our many University Seminars. I have the great pleasure of writing this introductory letter each year, in which I share news of our seminars' events in the preceding year, and also let readers know of what will be coming up in the current academic year.

This past academic year was rich in public events, both ones organized by individual seminars and ones initiated by The University Seminars Advisory Board as well.

The 25th series of the Schoff Lectures, "Medicine, Empire, Love: *The Inner Life Of Mrs Dalloway*" was presented in November by Professor Edward Mendelson. In his three lectures, Professor Mendelson enacted many of the inner voices that fill this novel by Virginia Woolf. In that choice, he gave us all the chance to engage the novel subjectively, a most exciting and stimulating experience. His talks will soon be a book in the Columbia University Press series: *Leonard Hastings Schoff Memorial Lectures*.

In a second example of the synergistic energy emerging from the connection between The University Seminars and the University Press, Jennifer Crewe, Associate Provost and Director of the Press and member of our Advisory Board, has agreed to publish a volume of essays on The Seminars for our 75th anniversary. The volume will be edited by Thomas Vinciguerra, author and editor of many articles about Columbia. Our wish is that these essays provide examples of The Seminar's novel capacity for private conversation, a rare example of socialization in an academic context that has proven at once intellectually fertile, politically relevant, and emotionally gratifying over these many decades.

At our Annual Dinner this spring, Professor Farah Griffin gave the Tannenbaum Lecture: "*In Pursuit of Justice and Grace: Reflections on the African-American Literary Tradition*" on the African-American literary and poetical responses to emancipation, emphasizing the frequent argument that former slaves, in their outrage, tempered their sense of justice with a mercy necessary to transcend the radically violent culture of their former "masters." As the Chair of the new Arts and Sciences Department of African-American and African Diaspora Studies, Professor Griffin's lecture came to many of us as a profound and serious gift.

The Seminars presented the 2018 Annual Tannenbaum-Warner Award to Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg, co-chair with Sheila Collins and Helen Lachs Ginsburg of the Columbia University Seminar on Full Employment, Social Welfare, and Equity. In a recent book, *When Government*

*Helped: Learning from the Successes and Failures of the New Deal* (co-authored with Sheila Collins, Oxford, 2014) Goldberg focused on the development of the American welfare state and the role of popular movements in furthering economic justice.

Each year the Advisory Board recommends to the chairs the approval of some number of new seminars, and each year a similar number of seminars go into abeyance for a year or two for any number of reasons. In 2017-2018, we supported 88 seminars, in 2018-2019 we expect to support 94 seminars. Among the seminars founded in this academic year, is Science and Subjectivity. This seminar began as a class in the Heyman Center for the Humanities Carle Hovde Colloquia, where Peter Gruenberger introduced me to that world of ideas. I am happy to share the chairmanship of this seminar with Peter, a distinguished alumnus and lawyer. Two additional seminars, Columbia University Collaborative of Community Programs for Youth and Families, and Thinking Europe Now will begin meeting in Fall 2018.

Last year, University Librarian and Advisory Board member Ann Thornton arranged for new and comprehensive library privileges for associate members of The University Seminars, scholars who are not affiliated with the University in any other way. Considering that more than half of our 3000 Seminar members have associate member status, the new library privileges are extremely useful for hundreds of seminar members; thanks, Ann!

Beginning in Fall 2018, all active seminar chairs and rapporteurs will be granted remote access to The University Seminars Digital Archive. Summer Hart manages the archive access group and will assign additional users on an as needed basis. Summer Hart continues to collaborate with the library and the Copyright Advisory Office on ways to make the archive more accessible to the entire University Seminars community while addressing the privacy and intellectual property concerns inherent in such a collection.

**Robert Pollack,**  
Director, The University Seminars



The University Seminars Staff from left to right:  
**John Jayo, Summer Hart, Robert Pollack, Alice Newton, Pamela Guardia, and Gesenia Alvarez**





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*twenty-fifth series of the*

LEONARD HASTINGS SCHOFF  
MEMORIAL LECTURES

*given by*

Edward Mendelson

Lional Trilling Professor in the Humanities,  
Columbia University

MEDICINE, EMPIRE, LOVE:  
*THE INNER LIFE OF MRS DALLOWAY*

I. MEDICINE

Monday, November 13, 2017, 8 PM

II. EMPIRE

Monday, November 20, 2017, 8 PM

III. LOVE

Monday, November 27, 2017, 8 PM

Virginia Woolf's fourth novel *Mrs. Dalloway* (1925) records the thoughts and acts of a half-dozen unexceptional people in the course of a single day. Yet, through the intensity of its focus, the book also portrays vast panoramas of history and civilization and profound emotional complexities and moral depths. These talks focus on three aspects of this endlessly illuminating book. The first, "Medicine," explores Virginia Woolf's understanding of bodily and mental illness and well-being. The second, "Empire," concerns her understanding of the power of large impersonal forces over individual lives. The third, "Love," is about the real and possible relations that her characters experience with themselves and with others.

**Edward Mendelson** is the Lionel Trilling Professor in the Humanities at Columbia University and the Literary Executor of the Estate of W. H. Auden. His books include: *Early Auden, Later Auden: A Critical Biography*; *The Things that Matter: What Seven Classic Novels Have to Say about the Stages of Life*; and *Moral Agents: Eight Twentieth-Century American Writers*. He has edited eight volumes of *The Complete Works of W. H. Auden* and many other selected and collected editions of Auden's writings. He has also edited novels by Anthony Trollope, George Meredith, Thomas Hardy, H. G. Wells, and Arnold Bennett. He is a frequent contributor to *The New York Review of Books*, *The New York Times Book Review*, *TLS*, *The London Review of Books*, *The New Republic*, and other publications. He has been a Contributing Editor at *PC Magazine* since 1987. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of The American Philosophical Society.

## PREVIOUS LEONARD HASTINGS SCHOFF MEMORIAL LECTURES

**1993: David N. Cannadine**

*The Rise and Fall of Class in Britain, 1700–2000*

**1994: Charles E. Larmore**

*The Romantic Legacy*

**1995: Saskia Sassen**

*Governing the Global Economy*

**1996: Kenneth T. Jackson**

*Gentleman's Agreement: Political Balkanization and Social Inequality in America*

**1997: Ira Katznelson**

*Desolation and Enlightenment: Political Knowledge After the Holocaust, Totalitarianism, and Total War*

**1998: Carol Gluck**

*Past Obsessions: War and Memory in the Twentieth Century*

**1999: Robert Pollack**

*The Faith of Biology and the Biology of Faith*

**2000: Lisa Anderson**

*The Scholar and the Practitioner: Perspectives on Social Science and Public Policy*

**2001: Partha Chatterjee**

*The Politics of the Governed*

**2002: David Rosand**

*The Invention of Painting in America*

**2003: George Rupp**

*Globalization Challenged: Conviction, Conflict, Community*

**2004: Lesley A. Sharp**

*Bodies, Commodities, Biotechnologies*

**2005: Robert W. Hanning**

*Serious Play: Crises of Desire and Authority in the Poetry of Ovid, Chaucer, and Ariosto*

**2006: Boris Gasparov**

*The Early Romantic Roots of Theoretical Linguistics: Friedrich Schlegel, Novalis, and Ferdinand de Saussure on Sign and Meaning*

**2007: Douglas Chalmers**

*Representative Government Without Representatives: Seven Reasons to Think Beyond Electing Executives and Lawmakers*

**2009: Philip Kitcher**

*Deaths in Venice: The Case(s) of Gustav (von) Aschenbach*

**2010 (Spring): Jean Howard**

*Staging History; Imagining the Nation*

**2010 (Fall): Alan Brinkley**

*Seeing the Great Depression*

**2011: Robert L. Belknap**

*Plot*

**2012: Herbert Terrace**

*Why Two Minds Are Better Than One: The Evolution of Words*

**2013: Paige West**

*Accumulation by Dispossession?: Loss, Change, & the Future of the Melanesian Pacific*

**2014: Annette Insdorf**

*Coherence and Resonance: How to Read Film Openings*

**2015: Robert E. Remez**

*The Good Listener: Behavioral Neuroscience Considers the Perception of Speech*

**2016 Robert O'Meally**

*"Fancy Sticks": The Action-Art of Toni Morrison, Romare Bearden, and Jazz*

## LEONARD HASTINGS SCHOFF PUBLICATION FUND

Leonard Hastings Schoff (1884–1978) was a textile manufacturer, economist, and educator. In 1948, he was appointed as Associate Member of the University Seminar on Rural Life (1945–1968), for which he was an active and continuous participant. He was also a member of several other seminars, including Population and Social Change (1949–1992) and Human Maladaptation in Modern Society (1964–1987). In 1961, he was granted the status of “Life Associate” of the University Seminars. This category was established by Frank Tannenbaum primarily for founding members, and provided Dr. Schoff with lifetime privileges.

Dr. Schoff believed that the purpose of The University Seminars was to be a place for the “development of ideas into instruments of social usefulness.” In 1970, he and his wife, Suzanne Levick Schoff, made a bequest to The University Seminars to assist in the publication of learned manuscripts or monographs produced under the auspices of The University Seminars in the fields of economics, sociology, psychology, penology, or the behavioral sciences.

*The Leonard Hastings Schoff and Suzanne Levick Schoff Memorial Fund* has been used to support hundreds of authors.

Schoff publication funds can be used for indexing, translating, technical editing, illustrating, or other publication costs of qualifying manuscripts or monographs already approved for publication.

In 2017–2018, the following 15 books were published with the assistance of the *The Leonard Hastings Schoff and Suzanne Levick Schoff Memorial Fund*.





**Hakari Hori**, *Promiscuous Media: Film and Visual Culture in Imperial Japan, 1926-1945*

**Gopal Sukhu (ed)**, *The Songs of Chu: An Anthology of Ancient Chinese Poetry by Qu Yuan and Others*

**Joseph Davis**, *The Substance and Value of Italian Si*

**Rachel Eisendrath**, *Poetry in a World of Things: Aesthetics and Empiricism in Renaissance Ekphrasis*

**Herbert Broderick**, *Moses the Egyptian in the Illustrated Old English Hexateuch (London, British Library Cotton MS Claudius B.iv)*

**Elsa Stamatopoulou**, *Indigenous Peoples' Rights and Unreported Struggles: Conflict and Peace*

**Li Chen**, *Chinese Law in Imperial Eyes: Sovereignty, Justice, and Transcultural Politics*

**Wen-shing Chou**, *Mount Wutai: Visions of a Sacred Buddhist Mountain*

**Harry Harootunian**, *Marx After Marx: History and Time in the Expansion of Capitalism*

**Tanya Pollard**, *Greek Tragic Women on Shakespearean Stages*

**June Schlueter**, *A Brief Discourse of Rebellion and Rebels By George North: A Newly Uncovered Manuscript Source for Shakespeare's Plays*

**Emma Wasserman**, *Apocalypse as Holy War: Divine Politics and Polemics in the Letters of Paul*

**Serenity Young**, *Women Who Fly: Goddesses, Witches, Mystics, and other Airborne Females*

**Eleanor Johnson**, *Staging Contemplation: Participatory Theology in Middle English Prose, Verse, and Drama*

(Schoff Memorial Lecture Series) **Annette Insdorf**, *Cinematic Overtures: How to Read Opening Scenes*



*Seventy-fourth*

ANNUAL  
DINNER  
Meeting

APRIL 11, 2018

*Presentation of the*

TANNENBAUM-WARNER AWARD

*For Distinguished Scholarship and  
Great Service to The University Seminars*

*to*

Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg

*Followed by the*

TANNENBAUM LECTURE

*“In Pursuit of Justice and Grace:  
Reflections on the African-American  
Literary Tradition”*

*Given by*

Farah Jasmine Griffin

“In Pursuit of Justice and Grace:  
Reflections on the African-American  
Literary Tradition”

This talk is drawn from my current project, *In Pursuit of Justice and Grace: Reflections of the African American Literary Tradition*. This book comes out of a lifetime of reading and over 25 years of teaching African American literature to explore how Black American writers address the ideals and failures of the U.S. experiment with democracy and speak to questions of love, death, justice, and mercy. *In Pursuit of Justice and Grace* marks an effort to share a series of valuable lessons from those who have sought to better a nation that depends upon, and yet too often, also despises them.

**Farah Jasmine Griffin** is the Director of the Institute for Research in African American Studies, the William B. Ransford Professor of English and Comparative Literature and African-American Studies at Columbia University, and Affiliate Faculty of the Center for Jazz Studies. Professor Griffin received her BA from Harvard in American History and Literature and her PhD in American Studies from Yale. Her major fields of interest are American and African American literature, music, and history. She has published widely on issues of race and gender, feminism, jazz, literature, and cultural politics. Griffin is the author of *Who Set You Flowin?: The African American Migration Narrative* (Oxford, 1995), *Beloved Sisters and Loving Friends: Letters from Rebecca Primus of Royal Oak, Maryland, and Addie Brown of Hartford Connecticut, 1854-1868* (Alfred A. Knopf, 1999), *If You Can't Be Free, Be a Mystery: In Search of Billie Holiday* (Free Press, 2001), and co-author, with Salim Washington, of *Clawing at the Limits of Cool: Miles Davis, John Coltrane, and the Greatest Jazz Collaboration Ever* (Thomas Dunne, 2008). Her most recent book is *Harlem Nocturne: Women Artists and Progressive Politics During World War II* (Basic Books, 2013). In collaboration with the late composer, pianist, Geri Allen and director, actor S. Epatha Merkerson, Griffin wrote the scripts for two theatrical projects: “Geri Allen and Friends Celebrate the Great Jazz Women of the Apollo,” with Lizz Wright, Dianne Reeves, Teri Lyne Carrington and others (Apollo Theater, May 2013), and “A Conversation with Mary Lou” featuring vocalist Carmen Lundy (Harlem Stage, March 2014; The John F. Kennedy Center, May 2016). Griffin’s essays and articles have appeared in *Essence*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Nation*, *The Guardian*, *Harper’s Bazaar*, *Art Forum* and numerous other publications. She is a devoted board member of The Brotherhood/Sister-Sol, a Harlem-based organization that provides comprehensive,

holistic and long-term support services to youth who range in age from eight to 22.

**Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg**, with Sheila Collins and Helen Lachs Ginsburg, are co-chairs of The University Seminar on Full Employment, Social Welfare, and Equity, which has been meeting since 1987. She is Professor Emerita of Social Work and Social Policy of Adelphi University School of Social Work. Goldberg holds a bachelor’s degree from Vassar College and a doctoral degree from Columbia University. Goldberg has edited and co-authored: *The Feminization of Poverty: Only in America?* (with Eleanor Kremen, Prager, 1990); *America’s New Poor Law* (with Sheila Collins, Apex Press, 2001); *Diminishing Welfare: A Cross-National Study of Social Provision* (with Marguerite G. Rosenthal, Auburn House, 2002); and *Poor Women in Rich Countries: Feminization of Poverty over the Life Course* (Oxford, 2010). In her books and articles Goldberg has been concerned with the scourge of unemployment and its solution—full employment, or what President Franklin Roosevelt deemed the first and “fundamental” economic right to living-wage work. In a recent book, *When Government Helped: Learning from the Successes and Failures of the New Deal* (with Sheila Collins, Oxford, 2014), Goldberg focused on the development of the American welfare state and the role of popular movements in furthering economic justice. Goldberg and her colleagues conceived and led two conferences under the auspices of The University Seminar on Full Employment, Social Welfare, and Equity: “An Economic Bill of Rights for the 21st Century” (Faculty House, 2013) and “A New, New Deal for New York City and the United States” (The New School, 2017). She is a co-founder and chair of the National Jobs for All Coalition. Additionally, Trudy and her husband, Architect Alan Goldberg, are avid collectors of Mexican folk art and recently donated their 1000-piece collection to the Mexican Museum of San Francisco.



**The Tannenbaum Lectures** honor the memory of Professor Frank Tannenbaum, founder of The University Seminars in 1944 and director until his death in 1969. He and his wife, Jane Belo, established a trust to be invested, reinvested, and included in Columbia's permanent endowment. Logistical support from Columbia and donations from individuals and institutional contributors supplement this endowment.



From left to right: **Farah Griffin, Jane Gaines, Obery M. Hendricks Jr. , & guests, Christina Staudt, Robert Remez, Harriet Greisser, Zene Conley & guest, Carla Sick & Mary Thurston, Gertrude Goldberg at the podium**

## TANNENBAUM-WARNER AWARD RECIPIENTS

1992	<b>William S. Vickrey</b>	2005	<b>Carole Vance</b>
1993	<b>Paul Oscar Kristeller</b>	2006	<b>George Halasi-Kun</b>
1994	<b>John N. Hazard</b>	2007	<b>Harry R. Kissileff</b>
1995	<b>Wm. Theodore de Bary</b>	2008	<b>Seth Neugroschl</b>
1996	<b>J. C. Hurewitz</b>	2009	<b>Allan Gilbert</b>
1997	<b>Joseph B. Maier</b>	2010	<b>Gary G. Sick</b>
1998	<b>Joan Ferrante</b>	2011	<b>Robert L. Belknap</b>
1999	<b>Anslie T. Embree</b>	2012	<b>Peter H. Juviler</b>
2000	<b>Aaron W. Warner</b>	2013	<b>Peter V. Norden</b>
2001	<b>Oscar Schachter</b>	2014	<b>Roxie R. Smith</b>
2002	<b>Marshall D. Shulman</b>	2015	<b>Chauncey G. Olinger, Jr.</b>
2003	<b>Sam Devons</b>	2016	<b>Herbert S. Terrace</b>
2004	<b>Kenneth T. Jackson</b>	2017	<b>Sidney M. Greenfield</b>

## TANNENBAUM LECTURERS

1971	<b>Gilbert Highet</b>	1993	<b>M. Elaine Combs-Schilling</b>
1972	<b>Philip C. Jessup</b>	1994	<b>Eli Ginzberg</b>
1973	<b>Harvey Picker</b>	1995	<b>50th Anniversary</b>
1974	<b>Paul Henry Lang</b>	1996	<b>Alan Brinkley</b>
1975	<b>Theodosius Dobzhansky</b>	1997	<b>Eric Foner</b>
1976	<b>Eric Louis McKittrick</b>	1998	<b>Martin Meisel</b>
1977	<b>Daniel Yankelovich</b>	1999	<b>Cynthia H. Whittaker</b>
1978	<b>Harrison E. Salisbury</b>	2000	<b>Richard W. Bulliet</b>
1979	<b>Barbara W. Tuchman</b>	2001	<b>Robert O'Mally</b>
1980	<b>Charles Gati, John N. Hazard, R. Randle Edwards, Seweryn Bialer</b>	2002	<b>Andrew J. Nathan</b>
1981	<b>Marshall D. Shulman</b>	2003	<b>John Stratton Hawley</b>
1982	<b>Richard N. Gardner</b>	2004	<b>Alice Kessler-Harris</b>
1983	<b>Richard W. Lyman</b>	2005	<b>James G. Neal</b>
1984	<b>Gerda Lerner</b>	2006	<b>Herbert S. Terrace</b>
1985	<b>Joan M. Ferrante</b>	2007	<b>Ester Fuchs</b>
1986	<b>Robert L. Payton</b>	2008	<b>Lisa Anderson</b>
1987	<b>Henry F. Graff</b>	2009	<b>Andrew S. Dolkart</b>
1988	<b>Arthur A. Hartman</b>	2010	<b>Paul Anderer</b>
1989	<b>Robert L. Belknap</b>	2011	<b>Patricia J. Williams</b>
1990	<b>Fritz Stern</b>	2012	<b>Kenneth T. Jackson</b>
1991	<b>J. C. Hurewitz</b>	2013	<b>Wallace S. Broecker</b>
1992	<b>William S. Vickrey</b>	2014	<b>Joseph E. Stiglitz</b>
		2015	<b>Wafaa El-Sadr</b>
		2016	<b>Ann Douglas</b>
		2017	<b>David Johnston</b>

Occasionally, a seminar's central concerns involve scholars too distant for regular participation or a seminar wants to engage a broader audience. On such occasions, the seminar may wish to organize a conference or public symposium. Conferences and public symposia on issues of paramount interest to the seminar members and the seminars community are an exciting part of the University Seminars.

In order for the Conference Committee to consider a proposal for a conference, conference guidelines must be acknowledged and a proposal must be submitted through The University Seminars website. Additionally, the conference must come from the work of a University Seminar. All or some of the members of the seminar must be committed to being central to the conference and the organization of it, and members must agree on the basic need and goal of the conference. The seminar chair and/or selected members are expected to plan the conference.

Most importantly, The University Seminars' charter forbids support to a conference that pays honorarium, even if it comes from an outside source.

In 2017–2018, The University Seminars sponsored or co-sponsored the conferences or special sessions listed on the following pages.

## **WE CAN GUARANTEE JOBS AND BUILD GREAT THINGS AGAIN! A NEW “NEW DEAL” FOR NYC AND THE USA**

The University Seminar on Full Employment, Social Welfare, and Equity • 613

October 27-28, 2017

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Friday, October 27

### **A NEW “NEW DEAL” FOR NYC AND THE USA**

#### WELCOME

**William Milberg**, The New School for Social Research  
**Franklin D. Roosevelt III**, Celebrating New Deal New York City  
**Robert Pollack**, The University Seminars, Columbia University

#### INTRODUCTION

*The Dual New Deal Legacy: Celebrate, Advocate*  
**Trudy Goldberg**, National Jobs for All Coalition and Adelphi University  
*The New Deal Legacy in New York City and a Call for a New, New Deal*  
**Gray Brechin**, Living New Deal

*A Twenty-First Century Civilian Conservation Corps*  
**Marcy Kaptur**, U.S. Representative for Ohio’s 9th Congressional District

#### PANEL DISCUSSION

*Political and Economic Prospects for Achieving a Federal and a New York City Job Guarantee*  
**Darrick Hamilton**, The Schools of Public Engagement at The New School  
**Philip Harvey**, Rutgers University-Camden  
**Stephanie Kelton**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York  
**Randall Wray**, Levy Institute at Bard College

*Creating Jobs and Building Great Things Again in New York City*  
**Letitia James**, New York City Public Advocate

Saturday, October 28

### **STRATEGIZING FOR A NEW “NEW DEAL” FOR NYC AND THE USA**





JACKIE ROBINSON POOL



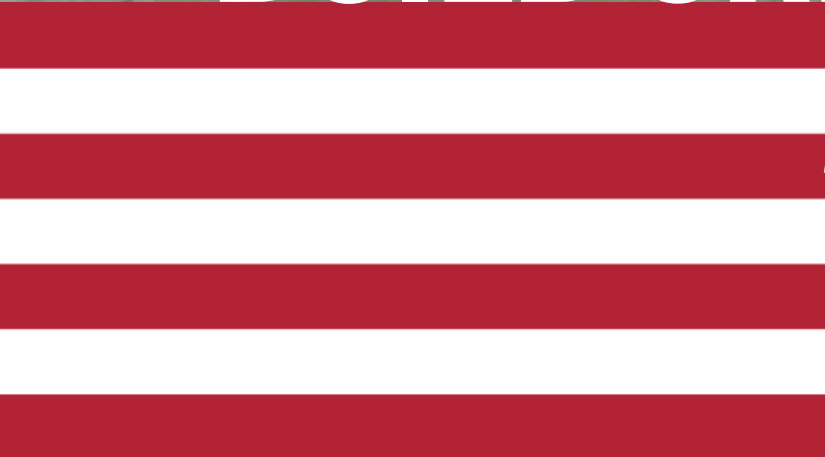
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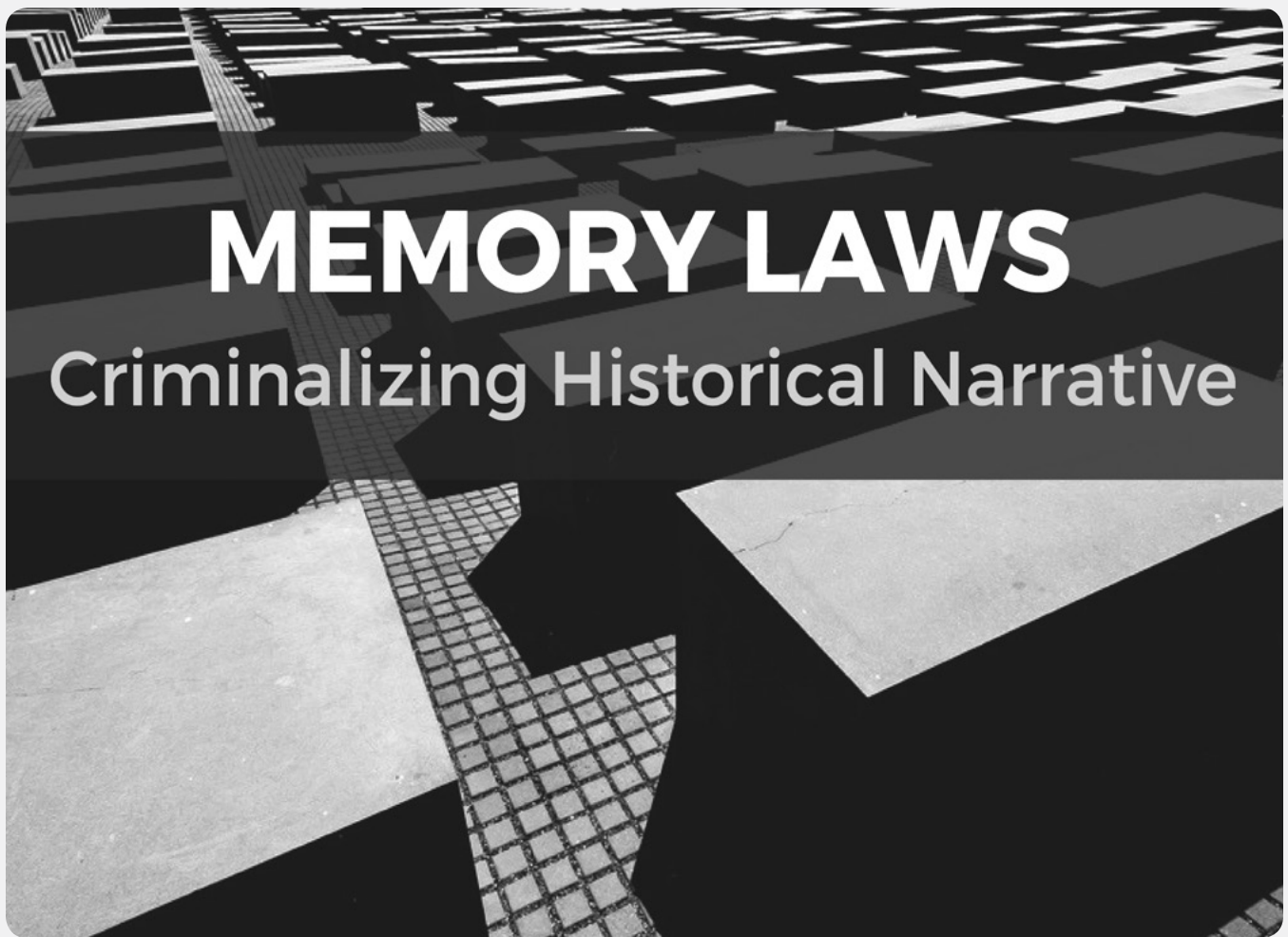
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# MEMORY LAWS

## Criminalizing Historical Narrative

### **MEMORY LAWS: CRIMINALIZING HISTORICAL NARRATIVE**

The University Seminar on History, Redress, and  
Reconciliation • 729

October 27-28, 2017

*Sponsored by The Columbia University Seminar on History, Redress, and Reconciliation, Institute for the Study of Human Rights, Institute for Israel and Jewish Studies, Society of Fellows in the Humanities, Heyman Center for the Humanities, Harriman Institute for Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies*

Since the 1980s, interest in politically and legally shaping public memory regarding the Holocaust and other crimes perpetrated during the Second World War has been evident in a wide variety of arenas, from memorial museums to monuments, from war crimes trials to official commissions. The goal of these mechanisms has been to promote new, often sectarian, narratives of the historical record on an array of disputed topics and to recall, redress and acknowledge past atrocities.

This political engagement with the “duty to remember,” and the question of historical memory and identity politics, now extends well beyond the Holocaust, and has become a contentious subject in many countries. One manifestation of the trend has been the increasing demand for the right to truth, especially in transitional justice, which is purportedly a precondition to conflict resolution and policies of redress. At the same time, however, there is an increased recognition of the propensity for conflicting narratives about the past, particularly instrumentalized narratives about group identity and violent pasts, to escalate hostilities among nations, ethnicities and/or religions.

These hostilities, anchored as they are in the collective memory and history of conflict, have become subject to extensive legislation, with the criminalization of statements about history and violent pasts becoming more commonplace. Nestled between freedom of expression and denialism, between hate speech and aggressive nationalism, narrating history is thus the target of increased political manipulation. As such, the legislation of historical narrative carries numerous theoretical and moral predicaments, and thus has important implications. In certain circumstances, memory laws safeguard truth, honor, victims, and ensure that the memory of crimes is not erased; and yet on other occasions they buttress authoritarianism and undercut freedom of expression.

This workshop explores narratives that engage the memory of past violence in contemporary policies and the politics surrounding the legislation of historical memory. The workshop takes a comparative perspective and engages cases of genocide, mass atrocity, colonialism and transitions to democracy. Given the central role that the Holocaust and other mass atrocities have played with regard to human rights concepts today, the memory laws that address these topics similarly raise important questions about the theory and practice of human rights, as well as about the role of history in conflict resolution. Finally, the workshop pays particular attention to censorship and punitive measures that aim to constrain counter-narratives to established national identities and to freedom of expression.

Friday, October 27

#### WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

**Elazar Barkan**, Columbia University

#### THE POLITICS OF HISTORY: EASTERN EUROPE AND THE “DUTY TO REMEMBER”

Chair: **Agi Legutko**, Columbia University

*Memory Laws and the Landscape in Poland Today*

**Jan Gross**, Princeton University

*Understanding ‘Memory Legislation’ in East Central Europe*

**Eva Clarita Pettai**, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Germany

*Memory Laws in Eastern Europe*

**Nikolai Kuposov**, Emory University

*A Certain Spirit of Laws: Ukraine’s Nationalist Decommunization Laws of April 2015*

**Tarik Amar**, Columbia University

#### MEMORY LAWS AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION: COMPARATIVE LEGAL PERSPECTIVES

Chair: **Horst Fischer**, Universiteit Leiden (The Netherlands) and Columbia University

*Memory Laws in One Country? Denial, Social Media, and Dealing with Unease*

**Robert Kahn**, University of St. Thomas

*Some Observations on the Law, Historical Memory, and Mass Trauma*

**Jonathan Bush**, Columbia University

Saturday, October 28

#### CRIMINALIZING HISTORY IN RWANDA, LATIN AMERICA, AND JAPAN

Chair: **Andy Nathan**, Columbia University

*Victors’ Memory: Criminalizing Resistance in Rwanda and Sri Lanka*

**Lars Waldorf**, University of York

*Propaganda and the Criminalization of Truth in Guatemala*

**Victoria Sanford**, Graduate Center, City University of New York

*Law’s Imperial Amnesia*

**Yukiko Koga**, Columbia University

#### HISTORY AND DENIALISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Chair: **Khatchig Mouradian**, Columbia University

*The Perils and Limits of Memory Laws:*

*The Case of Israel’s ‘Nakba Law’ (2011)*

**Yifat Gutman**, Ben Gurion University (Israel)

*Historical Memory and Criminality in Contemporary Turkey*

**Müge Göçek**, University of Michigan

*Criminalizing Denial as a Form of Erasure:*

*The Polish-Ukrainian-Israeli Triangle*

**Omer Bartov**, Brown University

#### PRESENT PASTS: HISTORICAL VIOLENCE AND CONTEMPORARY LEGAL NARRATIVES

Chair: **Daniel Levy**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York

*(De-)Criminalizing the Past: Spain’s Memory Wars via Its Memory Laws*

**Stephanie Golob**, Baruch College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York

*French Memory Laws and the Crisis of the Republican Model*

**Henry Rousso**, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique

*History – The Continuation of War by Other Means*

**Dubravka Stojanović**, University of Belgrade (Serbia)

#### CONCLUDING REMARKS

**Elazar Barkan**, Columbia University

2017 Annual Shakespeare Colloquium

SHAKESPEARE'S WOMEN

25th year of Shakespeare Gatherings at Farleigh Dickinson University

The University Seminar on Shakespeare • 581

OCTOBER 21, 2017

Organized by Harry Keyishian, Farleigh Dickinson University  
Co-sponsored by The University Seminar on Shakespeare

SHAKESPEARE'S HISTORICAL QUEENS

**Iska Alter**, Hofstra University

Iska Alter focuses on the powerful and eloquent women characters in Shakespeare's first historical tetralogy, 1, 2 and 3 Henry VI and Richard III.

Iska Alter is professor emerita of English at Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY. Her writings on Shakespeare, the Yiddish theater, American drama, and ethnic American literature have been published in such journals as *Theatre History Studies*, *Shakespeare Survey*, *Modern Drama*, and *Shakespeare Bulletin*, and in a number of edited collections.

SHAKESPEARE'S DISAPPEARING WOMEN

**Denise A. Walen**, Vassar College

Denise A. Walen discusses the stage histories of several Shakespearean plays and how important female roles have been cut in production. Women characters she discusses include Juliet, Queen Margaret, Desdemona, and Princess Kate.

Denise A. Walen, professor of drama at Vassar College, holds a PhD in theater from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. She has directed many stage productions, including *Twelfth Night* and *As You Like It*. Her research and teaching focus on dramatic literature and theory, theater history, and women's studies. She is the author of *Constructions of Female Homoeroticism in Early Modern Drama* (Palgrave 2005) and has published in *Shakespeare Quarterly*, *Shakespeare Survey*, and *Theatre Journal*, as well as other journals and edited collections.

CLEOPATRAS:

WHAT THEY MEAN AND WHY THEY MATTER

**Phyllis Rackin**, University of Pennsylvania

Phyllis Rackin discusses Shakespeare's Cleopatra as well as other versions, ranging from ancient historians to modern films.

A former president of the Shakespeare Association of America, Phyllis Rackin is professor emerita of English at the University of Pennsylvania. In addition to publishing more than 30 articles on Shakespeare and related subjects, she is the author of four books on Shakespeare: *Shakespeare's Tragedies, Stages of History: Shakespeare's Early Chronicles, Shakespeare and Women*, and, with Jean E. Howard, *Engendering Nation: A Feminist Account of Shakespeare's English Histories*. She was voted one of the 25 Master Teachers of Shakespeare in the last 125 years in a survey of Shakespeare scholars conducted at the Folger Shakespeare Library.

ACTING SHAKESPEARE'S WOMEN

**Ellen Barry**, Actress

Ellen Barry performs and discusses some of her favorite Shakespearean women, including those she has performed, such as Lady Percy, Queens Constance and Hermione, and Helena.

Ellen Barry has played more than 100 classic and contemporary roles in New York and regional theaters, including Tennessee Williams' Blanche, Stella, and Hannah; Shakespeare's Kate Percy, Hermione, and Constance; Martha in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, Maude in *Bakersfield Mist*, and Nat in *Rabbit Hole*; and both Lorraine and Meg in Sam Shepard's *A Life of the Mind*. As Ella in *John Gabriel Borkman* she was given an Off-Off Broadway Award, and for Vivian Bearing in *Wit* she received a Michigan Best Leading Actress award from the Detroit Free Press. Her one-woman show, *"Lizzie Borden at Eight O'clock"*, has played at venues in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. She and her late husband, Paul Barry, founded the New Jersey Shakespeare Festival (now Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey).

## TWO REVOLUTIONS AND BEYOND

The University Seminar on Slavic History and Culture • 497

*Sponsored by the Columbia University Seminar on Slavic History and Culture, the Columbia University Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, the Harriman Institute for Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies, and Butler Library*

November 2-4, 2017

Thursday, November 2

Butler Rare Book and Manuscript Library: Opening of the “*Actors and Perpetrators*”, the Bakhmeteff Archive exhibition coincided with this conference. Tanya Chebotarev, curator of the Bakhmeteff Archive hosted a brief tour of the exhibition followed by a reception.

Friday, November 3

*Opening Remarks*

**Irina Reyfman**, Columbia University.

RUSSIA AND THE WEST

Chair: **Richard Wortman**, Columbia University  
*“Western” Narratives and Russia’s Revolutionary Experience*

**William Rosenberg**, University of Michigan  
*Revolution, War, and Empire*

**Dominic Lieven**, Cambridge University (England, UK)  
*The Russian Provisional Government: A Centennial View*

**Dan Orlovsky**, Southern Methodist University  
Discussant: **Catherine Evtuhov**, Columbia University

CHARLES R. CRANE AND THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

Chair: **Norman Saul**, University of Kansas  
*Charles R. Crane and Russian Studies in the U.S.*

**Pavel Tribunskii**, Solzhenitsyn Center (Russia)  
*1917 – Three Americans in Petrograd*

**John Notz**, Independent Scholar  
*Charles R. Crane, Revolutionary Russia, and the Vision of an Evangelical Diplomacy*

**Zacharie Leclair**, Université du Québec (Canada)  
Discussant: **Andrew Patrick**, Tennessee State University

LITERATURE AND REVOLUTION

Chair: **Mark Lipovetsky**, University of Colorado, Boulder  
*Populist Modernism: Revolutionary Transgression and the Genealogy of Stalinist Realisthetic*

**Evgenii Dobrenko**, University of Sheffield (England, UK)  
*Formalism and Revolution: A Sentimental Journey*

**Serguei Oushakine**, Princeton University  
*Revolutionary Classicism and Canon-Formation: Mandelstam and Acmeism in the late 1920s*

**Andrew Kahn**, Oxford University (England, UK) .  
Discussant: **Anthony Anemone**, Schools of Public Engagement at The New School

ROUND TABLE: 100 YEARS LATER

**Boris Gasparov**, Columbia University and the Higher School of Economics (Russia)

**Alex Cooley**, Barnard College, Columbia University

**Alexander Motyl**, Rutgers University-Newark

**Henryk Baran**, University at Albany, State University of New York

**Ivan Tolstoy**, Radio “Free Europe” (Czech Republic)

Saturday, November 4

RUSSIAN REVOLUTIONS AND THE JEWISH QUESTION

Chair: **Oleg Budnitskii**, Higher School of Economics (Russia)  
*The Berlin Years of Raphael Abramovich, Stalin’s Most Hated Menshevik*

**Gennady Estraiikh**, New York University  
*Revolution on the Screen: Jewish Topics in the Films Before and After 1917*

**Valérie Pozner**, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (France)

*A Pogromless City: Jewish Paramilitaries in Civil War Odessa*

**Mihaly Kalman**, Harvard University

Discussant: **Ben Nathans**, University of Pennsylvania

RUSSIA AND UKRAINE – BEFORE, AFTER, AND NOW

Chair: **Mark R. Andryczyk**, Columbia University  
*The Tower of Babel: The Russian Revolution and the Fall of the Pan-Russian Idea*

**Serhii Plokhii**, Harvard University

*The War in Ukraine: Misconceptions and Practicalities*

**Catherine A. Fitzpatrick**, mag.com

Discussant: **Mykola Riabchuk**, PEN Center (Ukraine)

ART IN TIME OF REVOLUTION

Chair: **Nina Gourianova**, Northwestern University

*The Other Revolution*

**Nina Gourianova**, Northwestern University

*From Certificate of Protection to Nationalization*

**Natalia Semenova**, Independent Scholar (Russia)

*The Russian “Imperial” Cultural Heritage, Interwar Western “Merchants”, Collectors, and Exhibitions*

**Edward Kasinec**, Columbia University and the Hoover Institution

Discussant: **Alla Rosenfeld**, Amherst College

## HIV/AIDS IN NARRATIVE MEMORY

The University Seminar on Narrative, Health, and Social Justice • 737

*Sponsored by The University Seminar on Narrative, Health, and Social Justice*

*Led by advocates, clinicians, writers, artists, and poets active during the peak of the HIV/AIDS crisis to today, we invite you to join our conversation about how we remember and story the beginning of the epidemic to almost three decades later.*

November 30, 2017

### THE SPEAKERS:

**Susan Ball** is a physician who has taken care of people with HIV/AIDS since 1992, and whose book about her experience during the epidemic, *Voices in the Band: A Doctor, Her Patients, and How AIDS Care Changed from Doomed to Hopeful*, was published in 2015.

**Michael Broder** is a poet living with HIV/AIDS. His recent book, *This Life Now*, was a 2015 finalist for the Lambda Literary Award for Gay Poetry.

**Edgar Rivera Colón** is a medical anthropologist who teaches in the Narrative Medicine Program at Columbia University, and who trains HIV/AIDS activists in community-based research methods.

**MK Czerwiec**, aka “comic nurse”, is a nurse and graphic artist. *Taking Turns: Stories from HIV/AIDS Care Unit 371* (2016) is a graphic memoir of her experience as an HIV/AIDS nurse during the 1990s in Chicago.

**Deloris Dockrey**, Clinic Director for Hyacinth Health and Wellness Center, Hyacinth AIDS Foundation in Newark, is a long time HIV advocate and a person living with HIV.

**Marcelo Maia** is a photographer living with HIV/AIDS. He is from Brazil and moved to New York City in 1989 to study photography at the International Center of Photography. His first photography book, *Prometheus*, was published in 1996 and he is currently working on his second book, *Eros*.

**Robert E. Penn, Jr.** is a writer/producer and long-time activist for Black and Gay communities, who has lived with HIV/AIDS since 1982.



# Germany

## Past and Present

*A Conference in Honor of Volker Berghahn*



**GERMANY PAST AND PRESENT:  
A CONFERENCE IN HONOR OF VOLKER BERGHAIN**

The University Seminar on the City • 459A

*Co-sponsored by the Columbia University Seminar on The City and the History Department, Columbia University*

February 9, 2018

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

**Lisa Keller**, Purchase College, State University of New York

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

*Der Primat der Innenpolitik: Volker Berghahn, Admiral Tirpitz, and the 'Turn' in the Historiography of Wilhelmine Germany*

**Paul Kennedy**, Yale University

PANEL I

Chair: **Derek Bleyberg**, Berlin International School (Germany)  
*Bodies and Souls: Love and Death (and Religion), 1848-2018*

**Dagmar Herzog**, Graduate Center, City University of New York  
*A Model for the Present: Complex Diversity in the German Past, German Migration, and the Rise of Pragmatic Abolitionism in the Atlantic World*

**Margaret Crosby-Arnold**, Columbia University

*Memory, Consumption, and the Transnational Turn: Research Trends in German History Since the 1990s*

**Jonathan Wiesen**, Southern Illinois University

PANEL II

Chair: **Marion Kaplan**, New York University  
*Diagonal Reading: From Recasting the Ruhr to Rescued Lives*

**Mark Roseman**, University of Indiana  
*Occupational Aftershocks: The Legacies of War, Imperialism, and Decolonization in the Twentieth Century*

**Jennifer Foray**, Purdue University  
*Hearing Echoes: Reception History, the Musical Memorial, and the Case of Alban Berg's Violin Concerto*

**Jeremy Eichler**, Boston Globe and Harvard University

CONCLUDING REMARKS

**Volker Berghahn**, Columbia University





## **OF PROPHETS AND SAINTS: LITERARY TRADITIONS AND “CONVIVENCIA” IN MEDIEVAL AND EARLY MODERN IBERIA**

The University Seminar on Religion and Writing • 751

*Sponsored by the Columbia University Seminar Religion and Writing, Universidad Complutense Madrid, the Spanish Ministry of Economics and Competitiveness, Centro de Ciencias Humanas y Sociales – Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Spain), Instituto de Lenguas y Culturas del Mediterraneo y Oriente Proximo – Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Spain), Casa Árabe (Spain), Society for the History of Authorship, Reading, and Publishing, and the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (Germany)*

February 22-23, 2018

### CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS:

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### CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS:

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**Fernando Baños Vallejo**, Universidad de Alicante (Spain)

**Javier Castaño**, Instituto de Lenguas y Culturas del Mediterraneo y Oriente Proximo – Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Spain)

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**Claude B. Stuczynski**, Bar-Ilan University (Israel)  
**Jesús R. Velasco**, Columbia University  
**Ruggero Vimercati Sanseverino**, Universität Tübingen (Germany)

Thursday, February 22

PANEL I: HISTORICAL CHALLENGES OF “CONVIVENCIA”

PANEL II: CONCEPTS OF SANCTITY AND PROPHECY

Friday, February 23

PANEL III: LITERATURE ABOUT AND BY SAINTS AND PROPHETS

PANEL IV: DIACHRONIC CASE STUDY OF THE RECEPTION OF THE KITĀB AL-SHIFĀ’

PANEL V: CONCLUDING ROUNDTABLE



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## **GREATER GOTHAM: A HISTORY OF NEW YORK CITY FROM 1898 TO 1919**

The University Seminar on the City •459A

*Co-sponsored by the Columbia University Seminar on the City  
and the Herbert H. Lehman Center for American History*

April 17, 2018

**Mike Wallace** is Distinguished Professor of History at John Jay College for Criminal Justice (City University of New York) and Director of the Gotham Center for New York History. This conference coincided with the launch of his new book, *Greater Gotham: A History of New York City from 1898 to 1919*.





**BOOK LAUNCH FOR: A TIME TO STIR: COLUMBIA '68**

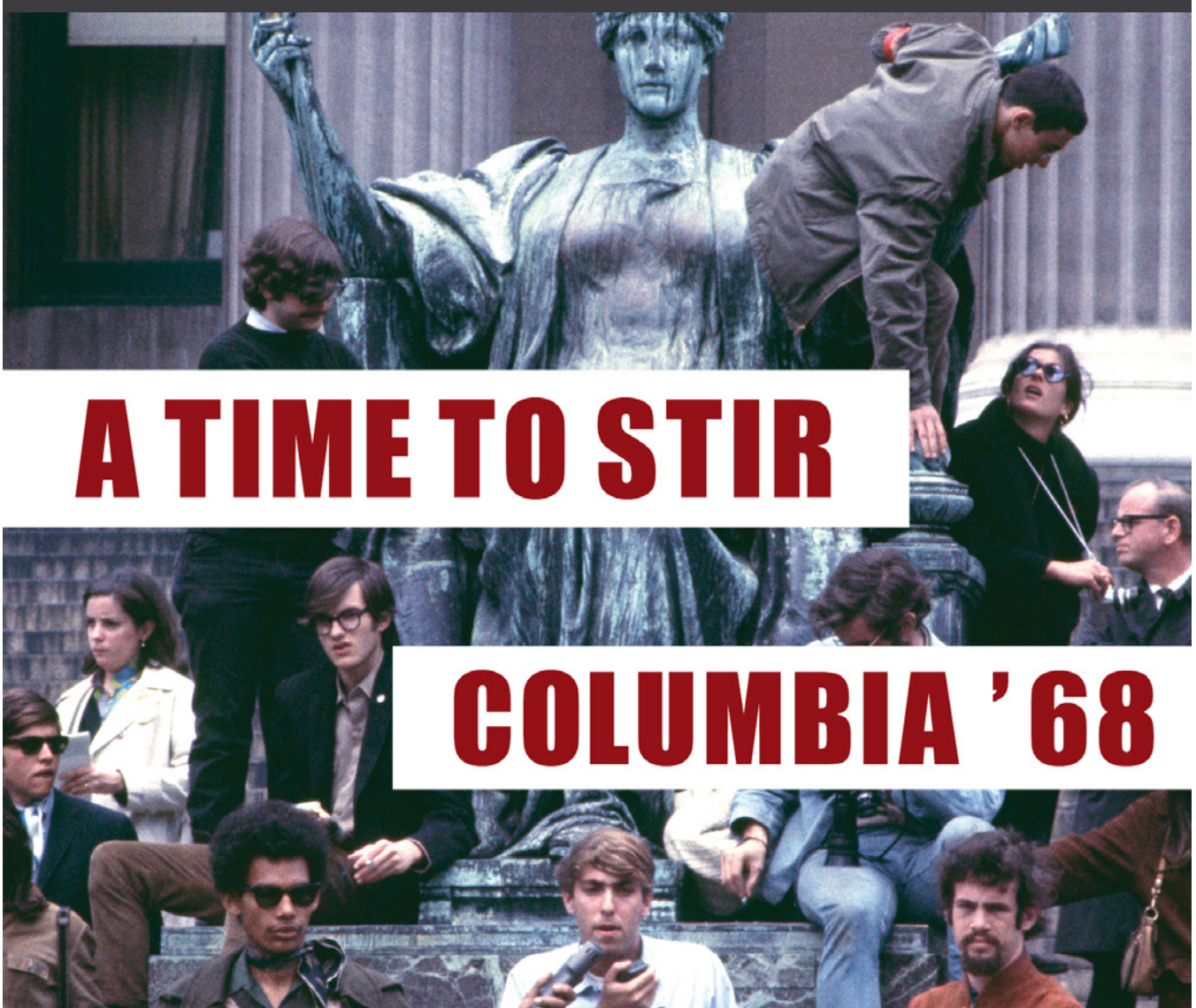
The University Seminar on the History of Columbia University • 667

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The Rare Book and Manuscript Library at Columbia University, and the Columbia University Press*

March 19, 2018

A CONVERSATION WITH PARTICIPANTS OF THE PROTESTS OF 1968 FEATURING:

**Karla Spurlock-Evans, Ray Brown, Carolyn Eisenberg, and Paul Berman** • MODERATED BY: **Paul Cronin**



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## ROAD SAFETY IN NYC AND BEYOND: GLOBAL ADVANCES AND CHALLENGES

The University Seminar on Injury Prevention and Control • 719

*School-wide Seminar Sponsored by the Columbia University Seminar on Injury Prevention and Control, Global Health Initiative (GHI), and the Center for Injury Epidemiology and Prevention at Columbia University*

April 25, 2018

### MODERATOR:

**Wafaa El-Sadr, MD, MPH, MPA**

Director, ICAP at Columbia and GHI  
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University Medical Center

**Joyce C. Pressley PhD, MPH**

Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Health Policy Management  
Director, Department of Epidemiology Practicum-Thesis Program

**Natalie Draisin MPH, MBA**

Manager, US Office  
FIA foundation

**Juan Martinez, JD**

Director of strategic initiatives  
New York City Department of Transportation

**Guohua Li, DrPH, MD**

Interim Chair and Professor of Epidemiology



## UNIONS AND FEDERATIONS IN IMPERIAL AND ANTI-IMPERIAL POLITICAL THOUGHT

The University Seminar on Political and Social Thought • 559

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and with Support from a Lenfest Junior Faculty Department Grant*

April 27-28, 2018

Friday, April 27

### EMPIRES AND FEDERATIONS

**Adom Getachew**, University of Chicago

**Joshua Simon**, Columbia University

### ANCIENT ROOTS

**Stuart Gray**, Washington and Lee University

**Mordechai Levy-Eichel**, Yale University

**Nadia Urbinati**, Columbia University

**Aaron Zubia**, Columbia University

### MODERN ITERATIONS

**Cemil Aydin**, University of North Carolina

**Murad Idris**, University of Virginia

**Turkuler Isikel**, Columbia University

Saturday, April 28

### AMERICAN AMBIGUITIES

**Yarimar Bonilla**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

**David Hendrickson**, Colorado College

**Joshua Simon**, Columbia University

### INDIAN CONSTITUTIONS

**Andrew Arato**, The New School for Social Research

**Sandipto Dasgupta**, Ashoka University (India)

**Shaunna Rodrigues**, Columbia University

### CONTEMPORARY OUTLOOKS

**Jean Cohen**, Columbia University

**Adom Getachew**, University of Chicago



# Unions and Federations in Imperial and Anti-Imperial Political Thought

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# TRANSLATING INJURY SCIENCE INTO PREVENTION SYMPOSIUM

6th Annual Regional Conference

*Sponsored by The University Seminar on Injury Prevention and Control, Center for Injury Epidemiology and Prevention at Columbia University, University Seminar Series in Injury Prevention and Control, Department of Epidemiology, Mailman School of Public Health, Department of Anesthesiology, Columbia University Medical Center.*

May 24, 2018

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

**Andrew Lincoln, ScD, MS**, Director, MedStar Sports Medicine Research Center; Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine Georgetown University Medical Center

Dr. Lincoln is the research director of the MedStar Sports Medicine program in the Baltimore-Washington area and associate professor of rehabilitation medicine at Georgetown Medical Center. He specializes in the epidemiology of sports-related injuries and performs research for the US Lacrosse Sports Science and Safety Committee and the NFL Medical Committee. He has a bachelor's degree in Engineering Science and Mechanics from Virginia Tech, a master's degree in Biomedical Engineering from Louisiana Tech, and a doctorate in injury epidemiology from Johns Hopkins University.

## WELCOME

**Charles Branas, PhD**

*Sports Concussions, CTE, and Risk of Sport Participation: Where Are We Now and Where Are We Heading?*

**Andrew Lincoln, ScD, MS**

## LIGHTNING ROUNDS FOLLOWED BY DEEPER DISCUSSION LUNCH TOPICS

*Update on NYC Violence Prevention Initiatives*

**Catherine Stayton, DrPH, MPH**

*Using Naloxone Administration Data From First Responder Agencies to Identify Opioid Overdose Patterns*

**Courtney Jones, PhD, MPH**

*Communicating Injury Science*

**Tracy Mehan, MA**

*Child, Adolescent and Teen Restraint and Injury in NYC Taxis Vs. Private Vehicles*

**Michael Bauer, MS**

*Digital Health Communications*

**John LaDuca, MRP**

## LUNCH WITH ROUNDTABLES AND NETWORKING

*Communicating Injury Science*

**John LaDuca, MRP, Tracy Mehan, MA**

*Current and Emerging Issues in Motor Vehicle Injury*

**Michael Bauer, MS**

*Update on NYC Violence Prevention Initiatives*

**Catherine Stayton, DrPH, MPH**

*Current Advances in Drug Overdose/Addressing the Opioid Epidemic*

**Guohua Li, MD, DrPH, Courtney Jones, PhD, MPH**

*Fall Prevention in Older Adults*

**Thelma J. Mielenz, PT, PhD, MS, OCS**

## JESS KRAUS AWARD WINNER LECTURE

*Interaction of Marijuana and Alcohol on Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash Risk: A Case-Control Study*

**Stanford Chihuri, MPH**

## JESS KRAUSE AWARD PRESENTATION

## ISSUES IN INJURY

*Update on the Opioid Crisis in NYS and NYC*

**Michael Bauer, MS, Hillary Kuniins, MD, MPH, MS**

*Suicide Uptick Following Robin Williams' Suicide*

**David Fink, MPhil, MPH**

*Use of Prescription Opioids and Motor Vehicle Crashes*

**Guohua Li, MD, DrPH**

*The Roles of Balance, Balance Confidence, and Other Factors in Falls Among People with Limb Loss: Perception Vs. Reality*

**Christopher Kevin Wong, PT, PhD, OCS**

## CLOSING REMARKS

The following pages list The University Seminars that were active in 2017-2018, with their topics and speakers. The seminars are listed in order of their seminar number, which roughly follows their chronological founding. Seminars are also listed alphabetically in the index. Some of our seminars are still going strong after nearly 75 years while new ones continue to be formed. Three seminars were inaugurated in 2017-2018.

Seminars sometimes stop meeting, temporarily or permanently, for practical or intellectual reasons. Our seminars span a wide range of interests, from contemporary and historical topics in religion, literature, and law, to technical and administrative issues in contemporary society, to area studies, Shakespeare, and the sciences.

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## THE PROBLEM OF PEACE 403 • Founded: 1945

This seminar is concerned broadly with the maintenance of international peace and security and with the settlement of international disputes. It considers specific conflicts and also discusses the contemporary role of the United Nations, multinational peacekeeping, humanitarian efforts and other measures for the resolution of international conflicts.

**Chair: Professor Roy Lee • Rapporteur: Mr. Hamza Naseem Iqbal**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- January 23      *The ICC Crimes Investigations in War Zones: Challenges and Implications*  
**John Washburn**, Columbia University
- February 20    *Cyber Intrusion and Its Legal and Policy Implications*  
**Lauri Malskoo**, University of Tartu (Estonia) and the Estonia Foreign Policy Institute
- May 1            *Measures Taken by the United Nations to Counter International Terrorism*  
**Jehangir Khan**, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Roy Lee, royslee@optonline.net**

## STUDIES IN RELIGION 405 • Founded: 1945

The approaches to religion in this seminar range from the philosophical through the anthropological to the historical and comparative. We concern ourselves with religion in all of its manifestations—ancient and modern, primitive and civilized, heretical and orthodox, individual and cosmic. The guiding thread is whatever subjects are uppermost in the minds of those composing the membership at a given time. Since members come from different disciplines as well as different traditions and have a variety of personal orientations, we are assured maximum openness and flexibility.

**Co-Chairs: Mr. Tony Carnes; Professor Sidney Greenfield • Rapporteur: Mr. Joseph Fisher**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 18     **Joint Meeting with 411**  
*Mainline and Evangelical Churches in a Post-Denominational Era*  
**Richard Cimino**, Religion Watch
- November 16     **Joint Meeting with 411 and 557**  
*When is a Kickback Like Fulfilling a Promise to a Saint? Religion, Traditional Culture, and Corruption in Brazil*  
**Sidney Greenfield**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- December 13     **Joint Meeting with 411 and 557**  
*Hinge: The Future of Religion in New York*  
**Tony Carnes**, A Journey through NYC Religions
- February 15     **Joint Meeting with 411 and 557**  
*Marxism, Publicity, Reality, and the Messiah: On Living with Secularization*  
**Ashley Lebner**, Wilfrid Laurier University (Canada)
- April 19     **Joint Meeting with 411 and 557**  
*Upper Amazon, 'Uncontacted Indians', Mythology, and Numeracy*  
**Pita Kalekna**, Independent Scholar
- May 9     **Joint Meeting with 411**  
*When a Nation's Religion is Its Economy, What Becomes of the Christian Value of Helping the Poor?*  
**Sidney Greenfield**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

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Professor Sidney Greenfield, [sidneygreenfield@gmail.com](mailto:sidneygreenfield@gmail.com)**

## THE RENAISSANCE 407 • Founded: 1945

The Seminar in the Renaissance, founded in 1945 by Paul Oskar Kristeller and John Herman Randall, hosts presentations of about 45-50 minutes on various aspects of Renaissance thought (including Renaissance humanism) and its ramifications in the arts (painting, sculpture, architecture, music, literature) and the sciences (physical, natural, historical and philological), as well as history and philosophy. The Renaissance is taken to include the period from about 1350 to about 1650. We usually meet on the second Tuesday of each month in Faculty House from September through December and from February through May at 5:30 pm. Participants may choose to join the speaker for a buffet dinner from 7 pm.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Cynthia Pyle; Professor Alan Stewart • Rapporteur: Ms. Lien Van Geel**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 12 *Dante as Philosopher of the Polis: Free Will and the Public Sphere*  
**Peter Carravetta**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York
- October 10 *The Renaissance in Russian History and Memory*  
**Francis Randall**, Sarah Lawrence College
- November 14 *Early Modern Propaganda: Nicolaus Hogenberg's Engravings of the Post-Coronation Cavalcade of Emperor Charles V in Bologna (1530)*  
**Konrad Eisenbichler**, University of Toronto (Canada)
- December 11 *From the 95 Theses to the Reformation World View*  
**Euan Cameron**, Union Theological Seminary
- February 13 *'Per Commandamento di Misser Jacomo Operaio': Notes on Jacopo della Quercia as Operaio del Duomo di Siena (1435-38)*  
**Gail Aronow**, Independent Scholar
- March 6 *Two Renaissance Magnates: Agostino Chigi and Jakob Fugger*  
**Ingrid Rowland**, University of Notre Dame
- April 10 *Giorgio Ghisi, the Allegory of Life: A Dynastic and Rhetorical Reading*  
**Mark S. Weil**, Washington University in St. Louis
- May 8 *Plato vs. Aristotle: The Comparatio as a Genre in Early Modern Europe*  
**Eva Del Soldato**, University of Pennsylvania

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## CONTENT AND METHODS OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES · 411 Founded: 1947

This seminar is concerned with methodology and theory in the social sciences as well as with its substantive results. As a rule, members and sometimes guest speakers present their current research in a manner which enlightens the seminar on various theoretical and methodological advances and helps the researcher to solve his difficulties and formulate a codified view of ongoing research in social sciences.

**Chair: Mr. Tony Carnes · Rapporteur: Mr. Joseph Fisher**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

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## EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY EUROPEAN CULTURE • 417 Founded: 1962

This interdisciplinary seminar hosts leading national and regional scholars who present works-in-progress that explore aspects of eighteenth-century European culture of vital interest and concern to the wider field of eighteenth-century studies. Like our guest speakers, our membership is drawn from a wide variety of institutions and disciplines: history, literature, philosophy, political science, music, history of science, and art, as well as national traditions. The Seminar's offerings are eclectic, but from time to time our Seminar has hosted special events such as symposia on the eighteenth-century reception of Classical, Hellenistic, and Late Antique texts (2003) and the intellectual origins of freedom of speech (2007, -2008). Proceedings from the latter recently appeared as a collection of essays edited by former Chair Elizabeth Powers, *Freedom of Speech: The History of an Idea* (Bucknell University Press, 2011). Most recently, our Seminar has co-sponsored, with the Seminar on Early Modern France, a series of roundtables on new directions in eighteenth-century studies under the rubric of "Literature and History in Dialogue." Past roundtables have been devoted to concepts of authorship (Fall 2010), eighteenth-century science studies (Spring 2011), and comparative colonialisms and orientalisms (Fall 2011). 2012-2013 was the Seminar's 50th year in operation, a benchmark celebrated the following year with a two-day conference.

**Chair: Professor Kathleen Lubey • Rapporteur: Ms. Katherine Bergevin**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 14 *The Pineal Gland: A Comedy in Three Acts*  
**Jess Keiser**, Tufts University
- October 18 *Abortive Maternity and the Inkle and Yarico Legend*  
**Regulus Allen**, California Polytechnic State University
- November 9 *Typography and Conversational Threat in Samuel Richardson's Clarissa*  
**Katie Gemmill**, Vassar College
- December 7 *Hand, Eye, Image, Self: Enlightenment Microscopy and Modernity*  
**Al Coppola**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York
- January 25 *Paper Mosaics and Paper Sentiments: Mary Delany's Loves of the Plants*  
**Deidre Lynch**, Harvard University
- March 29 *Educating the Vulgar Eye: Classed Vision and Criminal Punishment in Hogarth's Art*  
**Meredith Gamer**, Columbia University
- April 24 *When Do We Read? The Timing of Books in the Eighteenth Century*  
**Tina Lupton**, University of Warwick (England, UK)

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Kathleen Lubey, [lubeyk@stjohns.edu](mailto:lubeyk@stjohns.edu)**

## ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT • 423 Founded: 1951

This seminar addresses issues related to the structure and management of purposeful human enterprises. The membership is highly interdisciplinary. In addition to university and visiting scholars, distinguished individuals from industry and government participate regularly. The seminar selects themes for deliberation for one or more academic years. Recent themes have been: concept formation in developing theories of management; how should managers be educated, with implications for business administration curricula; managing increasing complexity, scale and change; measurement in management; and currently, managing in times of fundamental transformations. The consistent long-range effort has been toward an operationally verifiable theory of organizing and managing, including managers' education and training, and the emerging effects of globalization.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Howard Finkelberg; Professor Peter V. Norden • Rapporteur: Mr. Hamza Naseem Iqbal**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 9      *Jobs: What Will Employment in the U.S. Look Like in a World of Increasing Globalization, Automation, and [Hopefully] Prosperity?*
- December 11    *Globalization and Reverse Colonization*  
**John G. Napoli**

**Academic year 2018–2019 Co-Chairs: Professor Howard Finkelberg, hfinkelberg@gmail.com;  
Professor Peter V. Norden, nordenchildworks@aol.com**

## STUDIES IN POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THOUGHT · 427 Founded: 1968

The current diversity and vitality of the field of political theory is reflected in the wide ranging interests of the seminar. In recent years this seminar has explored a broad spectrum of topics and modes of discourse, including methodological analyses in historiography and the philosophy of social science, specific historical and conceptual studies of particular thinkers and ideas, and exercises in 'applied' political theory dealing with contemporary issues of social and public policy.

**Chair: Professor Josh Simon · Rapporteur: Mr. Aaron Zubia**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- October 4      *The Reactionary Mind*  
**Corey Robin**, Brooklyn College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York  
Respondent: **Adam Tooze**, Columbia University
- November 16    *Putting out Knowledge of Work: Spinoza on Fortitude*  
**Susan James**, Birkbeck, University of London (England, UK)
- February 22    *Race and America's Long War*  
**Nikhil Singh**, New York University  
Respondent: **Jeremy Kessler**, Columbia University
- April 5        *Taking Responsibility, Winning Freedom: The Political Arts of Toni Morrison's Fiction*  
**Lawrie Balfour**, University of Virginia

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor David C. Johnston, dcjl@columbia.edu**

The concern of this seminar is the history, literature, and culture of the United States, focusing on the period from the nineteenth century to the present. Recent subjects have ranged from Margaret Fuller to the Hawaiian sovereignty movement, from Asian American fashion designers to letters from former slaves who settled in Liberia. A number of presentations have positioned the United States in transnational or comparative contexts. The seminar's strength is the variety of fields represented by its intellectually active participants. The very lively discussion periods are one of the most appealing aspects of this seminar.

**Co-Chairs: Professor James Kim; Professor Cristobal Silva • Rapporteur: Mr. Genji Amino**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 12 *Urbanity and Taste: The Making of African American Modernity in Antebellum New York City*  
**Carla Peterson**, University of Maryland
- October 3 *(Gay) Panic Attack*  
**David Eng**, University of Pennsylvania
- November 14 *Punctuating Incidents: Narrating Enslaved Childhood*  
**Sarah Chinn**, Hunter College, City University of New York
- February 6 *I'll Fly Away: Birds, Slaves, Audubon, and Flying Africans*  
**Brigitte Fielder**, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- April 10 *Occulting Sovereignty: Possession, Occupation, and Haitian Internationalism in Pauline Hopkins's *Of One Blood**  
**Mary Grace Albanese**, Binghamton University
- May 1 *Embodying Labor-Time*  
**Allan Isaac**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

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## MEDIEVAL STUDIES • 431 Founded: 1954

This seminar addresses subjects of common interest to all branches of medieval studies. The seminar particularly encourages interdisciplinary topics and approaches, which will stimulate discussions of issues in the study of medieval culture. One of the great advantages of the seminar is that it brings together representatives of medieval disciplines, from Columbia and elsewhere, who otherwise would have only rare opportunities to talk about questions of common interest.

**Chair: Professor Neslihan Şenocak • Rapporteur: Ms. Carolyn Quijano**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 26 *The High Medieval Papacy: An Empire of Influence?*  
**Jeffrey Wayno**, Columbia University
- October 26 *Exercising Divine Justice? Heresy, the Church, and the Death Penalty in the High Middle Ages*  
**Susan Kramer**, Fordham University
- November 14 *The Dominican Missal in the Thirteenth Century*  
**Eleanor Giraud**, University of Limerick (Ireland)
- February 7 *The Problem of Induction: How the Ancient Solution was Lost in a Medieval Game of Telephone*  
**John McCaskey**, Fordham University
- March 22 *The Translator and the Skeptic: Constructing the Reader in the Bible Historiale*  
**Jeanette Patterson**, Binghamton University
- April 12 *Separating Time from Eternity in the Early Renaissance*  
**Nicholas Scott Baker**, Macquarie University (Australia)

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Neslihan Şenocak, ns2495@columbia.edu**

## STUDIES IN CONTEMPORARY AFRICA • 435 Founded: 1956

The seminar provides a lively forum for historians and social scientists engaged in the advanced study of Sub-Saharan Africa. Faculty and visiting scholars from Columbia University and neighboring institutions actively participate in the monthly evening sessions. Seminar discussions often focus on theoretical and comparative approaches to the study of colonial and contemporary states, processes in political mobilization and leadership, the impact of the international community, and the roles of gender and cultural identities.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Gregory Mann; Professor Rhiannon Stephens • Rapporteur: Ms. Yaya Sumah**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 21 *Queen Njinga of Angola: A Necessary Icon in Contemporary Africa?*  
**Linda Heywood**, Boston University
- November 2 *Ritual and Protest in the Struggle Over Mbale Town, Eastern Uganda (1954-62)*  
**Pamela Khanakwa**, Makerere University (Uganda)
- February 8 *Crises of Passage: Civil Servants, Modern Careers, and Rituals in Mali*  
**Isaie Dougnon**, Fordham University
- March 29 *Students of the World: Patrice Lumumba, the Congolese Educated Elite, and Distant Mediations in the Global 1960s*  
**Pedro Monaville**, New York University, Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates)
- May 3 *Metabolic Disorder, Global Health, and 'Noncommunicable' Disease in Malawi*  
**Megan Vaughan**, University College London (England, UK)

**Academic year 2018-2019 Co-Chairs: Professor Abosede George, [ageorge@barnard.edu](mailto:ageorge@barnard.edu);  
Professor Rhiannon Stephens, [r.stephens@columbia.edu](mailto:r.stephens@columbia.edu)**

## CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION • 441 Founded: 1957

This seminar exists to further, in the New York area, the study of the literature, art, archaeology, and history of the ancient world. Seven meetings are held each year attended by twenty to sixty members drawn from universities and colleges within reach of New York. There is no set theme to the seminar for a given semester or year.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Joel Lidov; Professor Katharina Volk • Rapporteur: Mr. Jeremy Simmons**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 21 *Fear, Honour, and Profit? Rethinking the 'Balance Sheet' of Empire*  
**Polly Low**, University of Manchester (England, UK)
- October 19 *Selective Memory and Epic Reminiscence in Sophocles' Ajax*  
**Sheila Murnaghan**, University of Pennsylvania
- November 16 *Paving the Way for Vergil's Aeneas: Rome and Fate in Literature of the Second Century BCE*  
**Charles McNelis**, Georgetown University
- January 18 *The Late Hellenistic Polis and Rome: Political Thought, Ethics, and Exemplarity*  
**John Ma**, Columbia University
- February 15 *'Realistic' Singing in Attic Tragedy*  
**Timothy Power**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick
- April 19 *The Process of the Formation of the Greek Alphabet: From Mycenaean Greece to Iron-Age Anatolia*  
**Roger D. Woodard**, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

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## MODERN EAST ASIA: CHINA · 443 Founded: 1957

This seminar is concerned with the politics, society, culture, and international relations of China from the early nineteenth century to the present. Its broader purpose is to explore the evolution of Chinese civilization over the past century of revolution and rapid social change. Papers—works in progress—are circulated to members and associates in advance of each meeting. Authors are asked to give a brief oral introduction, after which a discussant comments. The entire remainder of each session is comprised of members' reactions to the paper and the author's responses.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Robert Barnett; Professor William Charles Wooldridge · Rapporteur: Ms. Nataly Shahaf**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- September 14 *Knowing Individuals: Building a Fingerprinting Profession in 1920s Beijing*  
**Daniel Asen**, Rutgers University-Newark  
Discussant: **Chuck Wooldridge**, Lehman College, City University of New York
- October 12 *The Turning Point: Li Choh-Ming and the Kuashang Orientation at the Chinese University*  
**Peter Hamilton**, Columbia University  
Discussant: **David Weiman**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- November 9 *The High Road or a Race to the Bottom? Regulating Corporate Social Responsibility on the 'Belt and Road'*  
**Mimi Zou**, Columbia University and University of Oxford  
Discussant: **Benjamin L. Liebman**, Columbia University
- February 8 *Making Revolution on the Commercial Front*  
**Laurence Coderre**, New York University  
Discussant: **Chuck Wooldridge**, Lehman College, City University of New York
- March 8 *Imperial Borderland to Socialist State: The Sino-Tibetan Frontier and the End of Empire*  
**Benno Weiner**, Carnegie Mellon University  
Discussant: **Peter Hamilton**, Columbia University
- April 27 *Some Problems with Corpses: Standards of Validity in Qing Homicide Cases*  
**Matthew Sommer**, Stanford University  
Discussant: **Jungwon Kim**, Columbia University
- May 10 *Towards a History of Dam-Building in Twentieth-Century China: Shilong Ba (石龍壩 ca. 1910-1912) and the Advent of Hydropower*  
**Arunabh Ghosh**, Harvard University  
Discussant: **Grace Shen**, Fordham University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor William Charles Wooldridge, [william.wooldridge@lehman.cuny.edu](mailto:william.wooldridge@lehman.cuny.edu)**



## MODERN EAST ASIA: JAPAN · 445 Founded: 1960

The Modern Japan Seminar is concerned with the history, politics, society, and culture of Japan from the late nineteenth century to the present. It emphasizes interdisciplinary dialogue among historians, anthropologists, sociologists, literary critics and other scholars from the New York area institutions. The seminar meets regularly to discuss a paper from a work in progress by a member or invited speaker. Pre-circulation of papers and discussant comments encourage in-depth discussion and debate.

**Chair: Professor Yukiko Koga · Rapporteurs: Mr. Clay Eaton and Mr. Joshua Schlachet**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- October 19     *Condoned Savagery: The Untold Stories of the First Taiwanese Aborigine Volunteer Army in the Philippines, 1942*  
**Kristen L. Ziomek**, Adelphi University  
Discussant: **Brandon M. Schechter**, New York University
- November 16     *Iphigenia in the China Sea: The Memory of Sacrifice in Contemporary Japan*  
**Christopher T. Nelson**, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill  
Discussant: **Thomas Looser**, New York University
- March 15     *Pan-Asianism, the Russian Revolution, and a Soviet-Japanese Coalition: Mitsukawa Kametarō*  
**Tatiana Linkhoeva**, New York University  
Discussant: **Seiji Shirane**, City College, City University of New York

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Yukiko Koga, [ykoga@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:ykoga@hunter.cuny.edu)**

## NEW TESTAMENT • 451 Founded: 1959

This seminar focuses on religious texts of the Mediterranean world, particularly as they relate to Christian origins. It focuses attention on Hellenistic Jewish and on early Christian texts, including the texts of the New Testament, Dead Sea Scrolls, Philo and Josephus, Nag Hammadi, patristic literature, rabbinic materials, and diverse Greco-Roman source material of a non-Jewish or Christian provenance.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Emma Wasserman; Professor Larry Welborn • Rapporteur: Ms. Amy Meverden**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 13 *2 Peter 1.16-21: Peter as Initiated Interpreter of Scripture*  
**Jeremy Hultin**, Murdoch University (Australia)
- October 12 *Letters and Voice: Paul's Letters, Imperial Correspondence, Diogenes of Oinoanda, and an Epigraphic Not-Quite-Habit*  
**Laura Salah Nasrallah**, Harvard University
- November 2 *Breaking Bodies and Exceeding Limits: Glossolalia and the Materiality of Language in 1 Corinthians*  
**Todd Berzon**, Bowdoin College
- December 6 *Three Visions of John the Baptist: Luke, Marcion, and Tatian*  
**Alberto Camplani**, Sapienza University of Rome (Italy)
- February 1 *Visualizing Christ Assemblies: Size and Space*  
**John Kloppenborg**, University of Toronto (Canada)
- April 5 *Paul's Hagar As/Against Bare Life*  
**Jennifer Glancy**, Le Moyne College
- April 26 *The Benefits of Fidelity in Pauline Christ Groups*  
**Jennifer Eyl**, Tufts University

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Professor Larry Welborn, [wellborn@fordham.edu](mailto:wellborn@fordham.edu)**

## THE CITY • 459A Founded: 1962

This seminar undertakes a wide-ranging consideration of the city—its history, functions, problems, and glories. Sessions are devoted to urban cultural and social history, and to the meaning of physical form and landscape of both American and world-wide cities. The heterogeneous nature of the seminar’s membership is reflected in the variety of subjects that the meetings address.

**Chair: Professor Lisa Keller • Rapporteur: Fr. Stephen Koeth**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 3      *Chicago Lawn: One Working-Class Neighborhood through Two Economies*  
**Nick Lemann**, Columbia University
- November 8    *Liberty Road: Conflict and Community in an African-American Middle-Class Suburb*  
**Greg Smithsonian**, Brooklyn College, City University of New York
- February 7    *‘Parks and People vs. Cars’: The Forgotten Battle Over Madison Square Park*  
**Owen Gutfreund**, Hunter College, City University of New York
- March 6       *Just Space? I.S. 201 and Public School Architecture During the Civil Rights Movement*  
**Marta Gutman**, City College, City University of New York
- April 10       *The Fox and the Lion: Race, Ethnicity, and the Evolution of Identity Politics in New York City*  
**Michael Javen Fortner**, Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies,  
City University of New York

**Academic year 2018–2019 Chair: Professor Lisa Keller, [lisa.keller@purchase.edu](mailto:lisa.keller@purchase.edu)**

## LAW AND POLITICS • 465 Founded: 1963

Members of the seminar investigate the legal, political, and institutional aspects of society both as they function in reality and as they should function according to theory. The investigation is both global and timeless, although European and American interests seem to dominate. Lectures and discussions range from classical Greece, Rome and Israel, through medieval Europe, Islam and Asia, to modern and contemporary societies. Aspects of Roman, canon, Talmudic, common, and Islamic laws are examined. The majority of the lectures are presented by the members of the seminar, most of whom are academics in history, political science or law, or professionals who have become editors. One or two papers each year are presented by visiting scholars.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Edmund Clingan; Dr. Theodore Kovaleff • Rapporteur: Mr. Dominic Vendell**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 19 *Issued a Shield, a Gun, and a Skirt: Female-Only Police Corps in Italy (and Elsewhere)*  
**Molly Tambor**, Long Island University
- October 18 *When Does American Constitutional History Begin?*  
**Itai Sneh**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York
- November 14 *The Easter Rebellion and After: Ireland in Context, 1916-2016*  
**George Bretherton**, Montclair State University
- March 20 *'Every Species of Trick, Art, and Chicane': Bureaucratic Skill and Historical Knowledge in Eighteenth-Century India*  
**Dominic Vendell**, Columbia University
- April 17 *From Fascism to Populism*  
**Federico Finchelstein**, The New School for Social Research and Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts at The New School
- May 9 *Persistence in German Politics*  
**Edmund Clingan**, Queensborough Community College, City University of New York

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## KNOWLEDGE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS • 467 Founded: 1966

Technologies, scientific transformations, and new areas of knowledge are continuously, and rapidly, being introduced. These developments are transforming social systems around the world. We have seen networked computers rapidly converging with telephones and TV into globally pervasive digital communications systems. These systems—and the emerging New Media they create—are increasingly impacting what and how we communicate with each other, as well as how we write history and interact among ourselves. The opportunities and threats these and other systems pose to personal and global quality of life, end even to human survival, are very real and relatively little understood. This seminar will consider these aspects, as well as alternative social systems that may lead to a better future for humankind. This seminar was formerly called Computers, Man, and Society.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Jerry Spivack; Professor Takeshi Utsumi • Rapporteur: Ms. Nitasha Nair**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 11     *From Cancer to Normalcy: Evolution of a Cell and an Idea*  
**Robert Pollack**, Columbia University
- November 8     *Creativity and Its Enemies*  
**John Lobell**, Pratt Institute
- December 6     *The Know-It-Alls: How a Bunch of Geeks Took Libertarianism Mainstream*  
**Noam Cohen**, Author and Journalist
- March 28     *Markers and Unintended Consequences of Technology's Progress*  
**James Gould**, Retired Patent Lawyer
- May 2     *Climate Change Reality: Causes and Solutions*  
**Jason Kliwinski**, Green Building Center and Designs for Life LLC

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## ECOLOGY AND CULTURE • 471 Founded: 1964

This interdisciplinary seminar brings together participants from Columbia University and the New York City area for discussions around a range of socio-ecological topics. Our participants come from anthropology, law, geography, history, sociology, and ecology. We strive to bring together scholars, activists, artists, and practitioners in our discussions.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Veronica Davidov; Professor Paige West • Rapporteur: Mr. Eduardo Romero Dianderes**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 5      *Faith and the Pursuit of Health: Cardiometabolic Disorders in Samoa*  
**Jessica Hardin**, Pacific University
- February 8      *Can Consumer Demand Deliver Sustainable Food?*  
**Cynthia Isenhour**, University of Maine
- March 1      **Joint meeting with 523**  
*Capital, Nature, and Geo-Power: A Brief History*  
**Jason Moore**, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- March 29      *Melt in the Future-Subjunctive: Iceland in the Anthropocene*  
**Cymene Howe**, Rice University

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## THE STUDY OF THE HEBREW BIBLE · 473 Founded: 1968

The seminar is composed of scholars of different faiths and traditions with a common interest in research and teaching of the Hebrew Bible. The focus of the seminar is research illuminating the cultural milieu, language, text, and interpretation of the Hebrew Bible. This research is characterized by a variety of methodologies, including historical-critical, literary, philological, archaeological, and sociological approaches to the text, as well as history of interpretation. Research on ancient near eastern cultures and languages relating to ancient Israel is also regularly presented.

**Chair: Professor Heath Dewrell · Rapporteur: Mr. David DeLauro**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- September 7 *Deuteronomy 1:3 and the Lawgiving in the Pentateuchal Sources*  
**Baruch J. Schwartz**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- October 9 *Bodies, Cities, and Ships: Beauty and the Poetics of Description in Ezekiel 27*  
**Jacqueline Vayntraub**, Brandeis University
- November 13 *The Samaritan Pentateuch, a Document in Permanent Evolution*  
**Abraham Tal**, Tel Aviv University (Israel)
- December 6 *Sapiential Anthropology in the Joseph Story (Genesis 37-50)*  
**Konrad Schmid**, University of Zürich (Switzerland)
- January 18 *New Texts and New Senses in the Wisdom of Ben Sira*  
**Eric D. Reymond**, Yale University
- February 26 *Jehoram Spills His Guts (Literally)*  
**Isabel Cranz**, University of Pennsylvania
- April 16 *Wisdom as Genre and as Tradition in the Book of Ben Sira*  
**John J. Collins**, Yale University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Heath Dewrell, [heath.dewrell@ptsem.edu](mailto:heath.dewrell@ptsem.edu)**

## SOUTH ASIA • 477 Founded: 1964

The University Seminar on South Asia seeks to broaden and deepen understanding about the region of South Asia by providing a forum to discuss ongoing research as well as special topics related to the complex and multiple societies of South Asia both past and present. Drawing together scholars from many different disciplines, the seminar fosters cross-disciplinary discussion and perspectives on a broad range of questions and concerns. In recent years, the seminar has deliberated on such issues as: religion and politics, the political function of violence in South Asia, national integration, language and community, South Asian identities in pre-colonial times, religious iconography, and many other topics. The University Seminar on South Asia is a merger of the University Seminar on Tradition and Change in South and Southeast Asia (founded in 1964) and the University Seminar on Indology (founded in 1993).

**Chair: Professor Carla Bellamy • Rapporteur: Ms. Anvi Mridul**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 23 *The Taste of Longing: Is There a Tibetan Buddhist Rasa of Separation from the Guru?*  
**Annabella Pitkin**, Lehigh University
- November 27 *Thus Born a New Muslim Woman: Gendered Narratives and the State of Violence of 1948 Police Action in South India*  
**Afsar Mohammed**, University of Pennsylvania
- January 22 *The New Vrindavan*  
**John Stratton Hawley**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- February 12 *Politics of Resentment: Hindu Public Engagement and Minority Politics in Contemporary Pakistan*  
**Jürgen Schaflechner**, University of Heidelberg (Germany) and Princeton University
- February 26 *Feel of a Place: Making Pictures, Memorializing Moods in India's Eighteenth Century*  
**Dipti Khera**, New York University
- March 19 *From Subject to Citizen: The "Divine Kingdoms" of the Western Himalaya in the Twenty-First Century*  
**William (Bo) Sax**, University of Heidelberg (Germany)
- April 9 *A Political Theory of Yoga: Work in Progress for Yoga as a Political Idea*  
**Sunila S. Kale** and **Christian Lee Novetzke**, University of Washington
- April 30 *Difference that Mattered: Defining the Ghurid Threat in North India Circa 1192 CE*  
**Audrey Truschke**, Rutgers University-Newark

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Carla Bellamy, [carla.bellamy@baruch.cuny.edu](mailto:carla.bellamy@baruch.cuny.edu)**



## THE ANCIENT NEAR EAST • 479 Founded: 1966

This seminar was created to coordinate the archaeological chronologies of the regions of the Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean. It meets from six to eight times a year to discuss new research and hear reports of recent fieldwork. A number of relevant papers were published in the *American Journal of Archaeology* from 1968 until 1988, and in 1992 in the *Journal of the Ancient Near Eastern Society*. Since then, the focus of the seminar has been widened to include all aspects of the ancient cultures of the Near East and its adjoining regions. Recently the seminar has organized occasional conferences and workshops on topics such as the Black Sea flood (2003) and a 50th anniversary celebration of the seminar's founding (2016).

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Sally Dunham; Professor Allan Gilbert; Dr. K. Aslihan Yener • Rapporteur: Mr. Erhan Tamur**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 14 *Ancient Kanesh: New Developments in the Study of Chronology, Demography, and Social Change*  
**Mogens Trolle Larsen**, University of Copenhagen (Denmark)
- October 26 *New Excavations at Ur*  
**Elizabeth Stone**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York
- November 8 *Prestige or Propaganda? Egyptian and Egyptianizing Objects in the Late Bronze Age Near East and their Implications for Understanding New Kingdom Foreign Policy*  
**Jana Mynářová**, Charles University (Czech Republic)
- November 27 *The Armenian Dragon-Stones and the Origins of Monumental Art in the Prehistoric South Caucasus*  
**Alessandra Gilbert**, Ca' Foscari University of Venice (Italy)
- March 22 *The Context of the Khayan Sealings from Tell Edfu: Chronological and Historical Implications for the Second Intermediate Period in Egypt (ca. 1650-1550 BCE)*  
**Nadine Moeller**, University of Chicago
- April 9 *Women's Agency on Hieroglyphic Seals in Late Bronze Age Anatolia*  
**Mark Weeden**, University College London (England, UK)

**Academic year 2018-2019 Co-Chairs: Professor Allan Gilbert, gilbert@fordham.edu; Dr. K. Aslihan Yener, akcyener12@gmail.com**

This seminar is concerned with political, social, cultural, and religious aspects of Italian life from 1815 to the present. In recent years, the seminar has stressed an interdisciplinary approach to Italian studies, increasing the participation of anthropologists and scholars of art, film, and literature. The seminar generally meets on the second Friday of the month, from September to May, to discuss a paper presented by a member or an invited speaker. Papers cover a wide range of topics, approaches, and methodologies. The seminar occasionally holds a day-long conference or a more restricted symposium to explore a topic in depth.

**Chair: Professor Ernest Ialongo · Rapporteur: Ms. Claudia Sbuttoni**

2017-2018 · Meetings

- September 8 *Watching in Color: The Reception of Black American Films in Italy*  
**Mary Ann Carolan**, Fairfield University  
 Respondent: **Rhiannon Welch**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick
- October 13 *Politics and the Postmodern in Contemporary Italian Literature and Criticism*  
**David Ward**, Wellesley College  
 Respondent: **Peter Caravatta**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York
- November 10 *The Color of the Republic: On Racism and Anti-Racism in Italy, c. 1960-1980*  
**Silvana Patriarca**, Fordham University  
 Respondent: **Nelson Moe**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- December 8 *Charting the Island in Fascist Italy: Sicilian Belonging Between Race and Empire*  
**Lina Insana**, University of Pittsburgh  
 Respondent: **Jane Schneider**, The Graduate Center, City University of New York
- February 2 **Co-Sponsored by The Primo Levi Center of New York**  
*Fascists: The Italian Leadership and the Nazi Extermination of the Jews*  
**Luca Fenoglio**, University of Leicester (England, UK)  
 Respondent: **Susan Zuccotti**, Independent Historian
- March 2 *Armando Brasini and Neo-Baroque Architecture in the 1920s: The Politics of Style in the Construction of Modern Italian Identity*  
**Laura Cecchini**, Colgate University  
 Respondent: **Emily Braun**, Hunter College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York
- April 13 *Ransom Kidnapping in Modern Italy: Victims, State, and Media*  
**Alessandra Montalbano**, University of Alabama  
 Respondent: **David Forgacs**, New York University
- May 4 *Expanding Diasporic Identity: A Multi-Directional Path to the New 'Italian' Writer*  
**Anthony Tamburri**, Queens College, City University of New York  
 Respondent: **Fred Gardaphé**, Queens College, City University of New York

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Ernest Ialongo, eialongo@hostos.cuny.edu**

## EARLY AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE • 491 Founded: 1966

This seminar is a forum for scholarly conversations and works-in-progress on early American history, broadly defined. It seeks both to support scholarship on the Anglo-American colonies and the early United States (pre-Civil War). And to situate these political entities within broader frameworks (e.g. global history, early modern history, the Age of Revolution, hemispheric history, and the Atlantic World). The seminar aims to involve a wide range of historians (including specialists in Native American history, Caribbean history, and Latin American history) in this discussion. Scholars of literature, religion, slavery, and African diaspora, Native American studies, anthropology, sociology, and related fields are also encouraged to attend.

**Chair: Professor John Dixon; Professor Hannah Farber • Rapporteur: Mr. Yoav Hamdani**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 26 *The 'Use of the Globes': Mathematical Geography and Its Cognitive Impact on the Spatial, Social, and Economic Imagination in the Early Republic*  
**Tamara Plakins Thornton**, University at Buffalo, State University of New York
- October 10 *Being Seen Like a State: How Americans (and Britons) Built the Constitutional Infrastructure of a Developing Nation*  
**Daniel Hulsebosch**, New York University
- November 14 *The Natchez War Revisited: Indigenous Diplomacy, Multi-Directional Slave Trades, and Violence in the Lower Mississippi Valley*  
**Elizabeth Ellis**, New York University
- December 5 *Making the New Nation Old; Or, Founding Objects: Relics and Nationalism*  
**Matthew Dennis**, University of Oregon
- February 13 *"Nor Be Angry... One Life Is Enough to Be Lost": Clues from an Eighteenth-Century Murder Case for an Iroquois History of Thought and Emotion*  
**Nicole Eustace**, New York University
- March 6 *The Failure of Federalism: Boston's French Years*  
**Mark Peterson**, University of California, Berkeley
- April 10 *Mobility and Satire in the American Plantations*  
**Edward Cahill**, Fordham University
- May 8 *The Antebellum Origins of Alien Contract Labor Law*  
**Hidetaka Hirota**, City College, City University of New York

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## POLLUTION AND WATER RESOURCES: SCIENTIFIC AND INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS

495A Founded: 1968

The purpose of this seminar is to explore the effects pollution and environmental regulation on water and related environmental resources. Proceedings of the seminar, collections of the lectures, are published yearly. To date, forty one volumes have been published. Besides these volumes, the seminar has contributed over forty articles written in seven languages abroad and in the United States. The research institute of the seminar, the American Academy of Ocean Sciences, conducted research actively from 1969 to 1985. During the past thirty years, thirty-three graduate students have participated in the seminar and their participation has been credited toward their studies.

**Chair: Professor Richard W. Lo Pinto • Rapporteur: Ms. Joanne Lo Pinto**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 28 *U.S. Trends in Water-Related Infectious Disease Rates Correlated to Climate Change Processes*  
**Kimberly J. Taylor**, Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences
- November 16 *Determining Water Quality of New York Harbor: Using a Citizen Science Network to Test for Fecal Indicator Enterococci*  
**Nina Hitchings**, The River Project
- April 12 *Exploring the Biodiversity of the Lower Hudson River through Seining and Eel Migration Data*  
**Jason Muller**, Sarah Lawrence College
- April 26 *Restoring Urban Water Resources: Species Reintroduction (Easter Oyster), Regulatory Policy, and an Emerging Pollutant (Microplastics)*  
**Beth Ravit**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Richard W. Lo Pinto, [lopinto@fdu.edu](mailto:lopinto@fdu.edu)**

## SLAVIC HISTORY AND CULTURE • 497 Founded: 1968

The major areas of concern for this seminar are the history, literature, and arts of the Slavic peoples. These topics are taken broadly enough to include such subjects as economic development and religious and philosophic thought. Since 1987, the seminar has proceeded beyond its previous focus on the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries to include the twentieth- and twenty-first centuries.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Anthony Anemone; Professor Deborah Martinsen • Rapporteur: Mr. Tomi Haxhi**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 6 *From Fallout Fantasy to Bunker Bildungsroman: Transmedia Storytelling and Nuclear Culture*  
**Anindita Banerjee**, Cornell University
- December 1 *The Greatest Emancipator: Abolition and Empire in Imperial Russia*  
**Willard Sunderland**, University of Cincinnati
- February 9 *“A Shortcut to Paradise”: Joseph Brodsky in Rome*  
**Yuri Leving**, Dalhousie University (Canada)
- March 9 *A Decadent Metaphysics: Fin-de-Siècle Anxiety and the Cultural Contexts of Early Modernism*  
**Jon Stone**, Franklin & Marshall College
- April 6 *Rationalizing the Prisoner: Inventors, Medical Experts, and the Stalinist Gulag*  
**Asif Siddiqi**, Fordham University
- May 4 *Solzhenitsyn’s Ivan Denisovich at the Crossroads of Gosizdat, Samizdat, and Tamizdat*  
**Yasha Klots**, Hunter College, City University of New York

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## ISRAEL AND JEWISH STUDIES • 501 Founded: 1968

This seminar brings together approximately forty scholars from Columbia and the greater New York academic community. The seminar deals with the whole range of topics relating to Jewish studies and Israel—history, literature, sociology, religion, and political studies—and frequently presents distinguished lecturers from Israeli and European universities.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Elisheva Carlebach • Rapporteur: Ms. Jordan Katz**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 17     *Leopold Zunz: Creativity in Adversity*  
**Ismar Schorsch**, Jewish Theological Seminary
- November 14     *Indigenous Textual Scholarship in Modern Sephardic Kabbalah*  
**Jonathan Garb**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- February 13     *Jewish Materialism*  
**Eliyahu Stern**, Yale University
- March 6     *Was Rabbi Jonathan Eibeschuetz a Crypto-Christian?*  
**Pawel Maciejko**, Johns Hopkins University
- April 27     *Cultural Patrimony*  
**Allyson Gonzalez**, Yale University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Elisheva Carlebach, [ecarlebach@columbia.edu](mailto:ecarlebach@columbia.edu)**

## ECONOMIC HISTORY • 503 Founded: 1969

The concerns of this seminar are wide ranging in time, place, and method. Emphasis is on the logic of European and American economic growth from feudal times forward with regular, but less frequent, contributions on Latin America, Asia, and Africa. Topics range from microeconomic studies of firms undergoing rapid technical change and households changing their interaction between home and market to more macroeconomic topics concerned with national and regional economic growth performance, the economics of imperialism, and the political economy of the Great Depression. Given the breadth of the seminar's membership and interests, comparative economic history is often a central element in seminar discussions. Pre-circulation of papers permits vigorous discussion.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Alan Dye; Professor Susie Pak; Professor David Weiman • Rapporteur: Mr. Robert Corban**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 5      *'War Pays for War': Napoleon's Practice of Plunder and Extraction: The Case of Westphalia, 1807-1813*  
**Sam Mustafa**, Ramapo College of New Jersey
- November 9    *Estimating the Recession-Mortality Relationship when Migration Matters*  
(Co-authored with **Brian Beach** and **Walker Hanlon**)  
**Vellore Arthi**, University of Essex (England, UK) and Columbia University
- December 7    *Industrialisation and Earnings Inequality in Nineteenth-Century Catalonia*  
**Natalia Mora-Sitja**, University of Cambridge (England, UK) and Columbia University
- February 1    *Economic Mobility in the 1860s*  
**Joshua Rosenbloom**, Iowa State University
- March 1        *Property Rights in Land and the Extent of Settlement in Dutch South Africa, 1652-1752*  
(Co-authored with **Summer La Croix**)  
**Alan Dye**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- April 12       *Restructuring the American Dream*  
**Louis Hyman**, Cornell University
- May 3          *Financial Asset Ownership and Political Partnership: Liberty Bonds and Republican Electoral Successes in the 1920s*  
(Co-authored with **Wendy Rahn**)  
**Eric Hilt**, Wellesley College

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Professor David Weiman, [dweiman@barnard.edu](mailto:dweiman@barnard.edu)**

## DEATH • 507 Founded: 1971

This interdisciplinary seminar critically engages with aspects of death, dying, disposal and grief. Presentations and discussions explore topics from both academic and clinical perspectives in areas as diverse as medicine, psychology, sociology, anthropology, philosophy, religion, law, politics, architecture, and the media. In recent years the seminar has focused on contemporary developments in technology, culture and society. Attendance is maintained at a level that provides members with ample opportunity for active participation.

**Chair: Dr. Christina Staudt • Honorary Chair: Dr. Michael K. Bartalos • Rapporteur: Ms. Fernanda Borges Nogueira**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 11      *Loneliness in a Beautiful Place*  
**Melinda Hunt**, The Hart Island Project
- November 8     *Lamentations for the Dead; the case of Bhopal, India*  
**Atiba Rougier**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York
- December 13   *Regulated to Death: Re-Imagining the Death Service Market*  
**Tanya D. Marsh**, Wake Forest University
- February 14    *New Directions in End-of-Life Legislation*  
**Carl H. Coleman**, Seton Hall University
- April 18        *Advance Care Planning and End-of-Life Decision Making Among Adults with Cystic Fibrosis: Preliminary Results from a Qualitative Research Study*  
**Melissa J. Basile**, Center for Health Innovations and Outcomes Research and the Feinstein Institute for Medical Research, Northwell Health
- May 9          *To Treat or Not to Treat? That's Not the Question: End-of-Life Treatment Choices for Clinicians*  
**Betty Wolder Levin**, The Graduate School, City University of New York
- June 7         *From Death into Light: The Living, the Dead, and the Modern Metropolis*  
**Caitlin Campbell**, Columbia University

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Honorary Chair: Dr. Michael K. Bartalos, [bartalosmk@verizon.net](mailto:bartalosmk@verizon.net)**

## THE ART OF AFRICA, OCEANIA, AND THE AMERICAS • 509 Founded: 1970

Founded by Douglas Fraser, this seminar addresses major issues in the fields of African, Oceanic, Native American, and pre-Hispanic Latin American arts. The seminar provides an opportunity for members to analyze, evaluate, and discuss new and continuing research, as well as various trends in scholarship. Because the membership is comprised of art historians, curators, archeologists, anthropologists, and other field specialists, seminar meetings frequently involve in-depth discussions of theoretical and methodological issues. The seminar sponsors special symposia on diverse topics; the most recent entitled Art as Identity in the Americas.

**Chair: Dr. Franceso Pellizzi • Rapporteur: Ms. Sophia Merkin**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 19 *Double Exposure: The Congolese Bourgeoisie in the Colonial and Family Album*  
**Sandrine Collard**, New York University
- November 2 *Atea – Coming into the Light: Thinking Through Nature and Divinity in Eighteenth Century Polynesia*  
**Maia Nuku**, Metropolitan Museum of Art
- December 7 *Against Primitivism: Meyer Schapiro's Early Writings on African and Medieval Art*  
**Risham Majeed**, Ithaca College
- March 1 *The Bleeding Conch Vase: New Insights on Sexuality in Ancient Maya Art*  
**Oswaldo Chinchilla Mazariegos**, Yale University
- April 5 *Ambrym Sand Drawings: Field Notes on a Melanesian Way to Memory*  
**Jacopo Baron**, École des Hautes Études (France)

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## INNOVATION IN EDUCATION • 511 Founded: 1970

The process of learning—in individuals, organizations, and society—is the subject of this seminar. Its scope includes learning throughout the lifespan, and via major institutions such as mass media, libraries, voluntary organizations, and educational systems.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Elizabeth Cohn; Mr. Ronald Gross • Rapporteur: Mr. Timothy Cha**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 16     **Joint meeting with 585**  
*The Art of Choosing*  
**Sheena Iyengar**, Columbia University
- November 13     **Joint meeting with 585**  
*High Price: A Neuroscientist's Journey of Self-Discovery that Challenges Everything We Know about Drugs and Society*  
**Carl Hart**, Columbia University
- December 11     **Joint meeting with 585**  
*The Antidote: Happiness for People Who Can't Stand Positive Thinking*  
**Oliver Burkeman**, Independent Author and Journalist
- January 22     **Joint meeting with 585**  
*The Human Life-Cycle: Cross-Cultural Perspectives*  
**Uwe P. Gielen**, St. Francis College  
**SungHun Kim**, St. Francis College
- May 21     **Joint meeting with 585**  
*Empathy: Its Power, Potential, Perversions, and Politics*  
**Cris Beam**, William Paterson University

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## LATIN AMERICA • 515 Founded: 1971

This seminar is devoted to developing a better understanding of the region, presenting current research and thinking in disciplines that range from anthropology to economics, history, human rights, political science, religion, literature, and the arts. In addition to scholars affiliated with the academic community, speakers are invited from the private sector, international organizations, and governments. The seminar, whose membership also reflects a broad range of disciplines, offers the framework for a lively exchange of ideas on Latin America, its past, present, and future.

**Chairs: Christopher Sabatini • Rapporteur: Ms. Maria Jose Meza-Cuadra Bedoya**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- November 2 *Popular Support for Democracy in Latin America and the Caribbean*  
**Mitchell A. Seligson**, Vanerbilt University
- December 7 *Race and Inequality in the New Cuba*  
**Katrin Hansing**, Baruch College, City University of New York
- February 1 *Frank Tannenbaum: From Jack-Of-All-Trades to Mater of Latin American Studies*  
**Barbara S. Weinstein**, New York University
- March 1 *Mexico's Outlook: Elections, the Link, and the Storm*  
**Gray Newmann**, Morgan Stanley and Columbia University
- April 5 *National Sovereignty and Foreign Policy in Latin America*  
**Iliana Rodriguez Santibañez**, Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education (Mexico)
- May 3 *Security and Police Reform in Central America*  
**Mark Ungar**, Brooklyn College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Dr. Christopher Sabatini, [cs2773@columbia.edu](mailto:cs2773@columbia.edu)**

## POPULATION BIOLOGY • 521 Founded: 1971

This seminar covers all aspects of population biology, broadly defined to include ecology, evolution and other aspects of modern organismal biology. It also encompasses studies of animal behavior in the field and laboratory, paleontology, theoretical and experimental biology, genetics and genomics.

**Co-Chairs: Ms. Alison Cucco; Professor Kathleen A. Nolan**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- December 5     *Ecology and Epidemiology of Bats in Tropical and Temperate Islands*  
**Danielle Fibikar**, College of Staten Island, City University of New York
- February 27     *Using Ecological Studies to Inform Turtle Conservation Decisions*  
**Suzanne Macey**, American Museum of Natural History
- May 1             *Native and Invasive Frogs of the U.S. Virgin Islands: Vocalizations and Genetics*  
**Pearl Coles**, College of Staten Island, City University of New York

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This seminar was founded to study the most compelling questions of the day which then related to the war in Southeast Asia, its causes, and consequences. Today the seminar continues to examine vital current issues with emphasis on their political, philosophical, and economic dimensions. Such issues have included welfare policy, homelessness, and strains in multicultural democracies, and violent conflicts within and across nation-states. The underlying nature and structure of the political economy giving rise to these issues are also considered. In this regard, sessions have addressed the extension of democracy to economic enterprises, refashioning American government, developments in welfare states, and new principles of income distribution. Theories oriented to deepening democracy and realizing human rights both in the US and abroad are also an ongoing focus.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Carol Gould; Professor Omar Dahbour • Rapporteur: Ms. Fernanda Borges Nogueira**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 14 *Zionisms, Post-Zionisms, and Peace in Israel/Palestine*  
**Chaim Gans**, Tel Aviv University (Israel)
- November 2 *Behemoth: The Factory and the Making of the Modern World*  
**Joshua Freeman**, Queens College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York
- December 7 *A Republic – If You Can Keep It*  
**Philip Green**, Smith College and the New School for Social Research
- March 1 **Joint meeting with 471**  
*Capital, Nature, and Geo-Power: A Brief History*  
**Jason Moore**, Binghamton University, State University of New York
- April 12 *The New Context for Political Economy: Working with the Anthropocene Thesis*  
**Simon Dalby**, Wilfrid Laurier University (Canada)

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## THE MIDDLE EAST • 525 Founded: 1971

The seminar usually meets once a month during the academic year. A prominent expert from here or abroad, commonly from the Middle East, leads a three and a half hour discussion at each meeting, assuring ample time for serious dialogue on focused issues. The seminar provides a forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences by Middle East experts in various spheres—business, banking and investment, federal service, the foundations, the media, and the liberal professions as well as academia. The seminar has become a medium for carefully defined and informed evaluation of stubborn problems in a region that symbolizes persistent instability and proliferating crises. Detailed minutes are circulated to participating members for use without attribution to uphold the confidentiality of the discussion.

**Founding Chair: Professor J.C. Hurewitz • Chair: Professor Gary Sick • Associate Chair: Professor Lawrence G. Potter •  
Rapporteur: Mr. Eric Simmons**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 13 *U.S. Middle East Policy in the Era of Trump*  
**Gary Sick**, Columbia University
- October 18 *How Many Shocks Can Iraq Withstand? The Kurdish Referendum and After*  
**Joost Hiltermann**, International Crisis Group
- November 15 *The Future of the Iran Nuclear Agreement*  
**Richard Nephew**, Columbia University
- December 6 *Change and Continuity in the Middle East: From Tunisia to Saudi Arabia*  
**Steven A. Cook**, Council on Foreign Relations
- January 24 *The Contest for Lebanon: Hezbollah, Sectarianism, and Outside Intruders*  
**Randa Slim**, The Middle East Institute and Johns Hopkins University
- February 14 *Avenues of Participation, Streets of Protest: Politics in Contemporary Iran*  
**Arang Keshavarzian**, New York University
- March 22 *Choosing Between Turkey and the Kurds in the Fight against ISIS*  
**David L. Phillips**, Columbia University
- April 18 *The New U.S. Alliance with Saudi Arabia: What Are the Implications?*  
**Amy Myers Jaffe**, Council on Foreign Relations

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## APPETITIVE BEHAVIOR • 529 Founded: 1972

This seminar is comprised of professors, research scientists, and physicians from institutions of higher learning and industry in the greater New York area with a common interest in the biological and behavioral bases of appetitive behavior. Four major areas of interest are found within the group: 1) the control of food and fluid intake in man and animals and their effects on variation in body composition; 2) disorders with links to ingestive behavior such as obesity, bulimia, anorexia nervosa, and diabetes; 3) the role of the brain from pharmacological, physiological, neuroimaging, and neuroanatomical perspectives on the control of ingestive behavior; 4) cognitive, social, and environmental controls of ingestive behavior. The seminar thus combines interests in basic control mechanisms with clinical applications.

**Chair: Dr. Harry R. Kissileff • Co-Chair: Dr. Allan Geliebter • Rapporteur: Ms. Musya Herzog**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 14 *Early Avoidance of a Drug-Paired Cue Predicts Greater Drug-Seeking and Drug-Taking in Rats*  
**Patricia S. Grigson**, Pennsylvania State University
- October 19 *Bypassing Sweets for Alcohol: A Translational Perspective on Bariatric Surgery and Substance Use*  
**Andras Hajnal**, Pennsylvania State University
- November 9 *Stress, Serotonin, and Anorexia*  
**Valerie Compan**, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (France)
- December 7 *Update on Brain Mechanisms of 'Liking' and 'Wanting' Food Rewards*  
**Kent Berridge**, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
Discussant: **Gerard Smith**, Cornell University
- January 18 *Hedonic Hunger: Implications for Obesity Treatment*  
**Ariana Chao**, University of Pennsylvania
- February 8 *Is There a Valid Bench Approach to Understand the Placebo Effect in Obesity and Other Disorders?*  
**Emmanuel Pothos**, Tufts University
- March 8 *Integration of Mind and Metabolism*  
**Dana Small**, Yale University
- April 19 *Control of Food Intake through Modulation of Synaptic Strength in the Dorsal Vagal Complex*  
**Robert Ritter**, Washington State University
- May 3 *Interactions Between Metabolic, Cognitive, and Reward Processes in Appetite*  
**Suzanne Higgs**, University of Birmingham (England, UK)
- May 24 *Binge-Eating Disorder*  
**Carlos Grilo**, Yale University

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The Culture, Power, Boundaries Seminar is a forum for work and work-in-progress that strives for a critical analysis of contemporary power relations at local and global scales and how such power relations affect the analysis, reproduction, and transformation of inequality and its cultural expressions. The seminar began forty years ago with a focus on immigration and developed into a broad forum for critical social science. While the majority of seminar members are anthropologists, and presentations tend to focus on case studies, the seminar continues to welcome, as both guests and speakers, other social scientists interested in investigating the power dimension of cultural formations and the cultural aspects of inequality.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Maria-Luisa Achino-Loeb; Professor Patricia Antonello • Rapporteur: Ms. Rosemarie Barbalace**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 9      *Teacher, Torturer, Executioner: Comrade Duch's Trial, Transitional Justice, and the Khmer Rouge Tribunal*  
**Alex Hinton**, Rutgers University-Newark
- November 6    *No Exit: Mayan Women's Entanglements with Violence, Impunity, and Asylum*  
**Linda Green**, University of Arizona
- December 11   *Real Debts and Legal Fictions: Reconfiguring the Power of Law in Contemporary Egypt*  
**Christine Hegel-Cantarella**, Western Connecticut State University
- February 5     *The Last Revolution: Rethinking Peru's Shining Path*  
**Orin Starn**, Duke University
- March 5        *Multispecies Infrastructures of Zoonosis*  
**Genese Sodikoff**, Rutgers University-Newark
- April 9         *The Language of DUI Arrests in the U.S. South*  
**Sonia Das**, New York University

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## THE HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE • 533 Founded: 1973

This seminar is devoted to exploring substantive as well as methodological issues in the history and philosophy of science. Science is construed broadly and the issues considered range from epistemic and historiographic questions to issues of relevance and accountability. Topics include the presuppositions and practice of a range of life sciences, earth sciences, and social sciences as well as the physical sciences and mathematics. In the physical sciences its interests range from antiquity to contemporary quantum theory. In the life sciences and social sciences the fields considered include various forms of historical, evolutionary inquiry (in biology, geology, and the historical social sciences), biotechnology and ecology, economics, psychology and cognitive science, and interpretive social inquiry. The membership of this seminar includes scientists, philosophers, and historians. Most sessions take place in conjunction with the New York City History of Science Working Group.

**Chair: Professor Matthew Jones • Rapporteur: Mr. Sean O'Neil**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 27 *Barnum, Bache, and Poe: American Science and the Antebellum Public*  
**John Tresch**, University of Pennsylvania
- October 11 *Invidious Comparisons: International Politics, the Fields Medal, and the Past, Present, and Future of Mathematics, 1936-1966*  
**Michael Barany**, Dartmouth College
- October 25 *Measured Movements: Weimar Germany, Labanotation, and the Choreography of Corporate Life*  
**Whitney Laemmler**, Columbia University
- November 29 *Saints and Science in Early Modern Italy: Filippo Neri and Francesco Borgia as Patron Saints of Earthquakes*  
**Monica Azzolini**, University of Edinburgh (Scotland, UK)
- December 13 *How Far Can Facts Take Us? Einstein and Bergson, Ghosts and Demons*  
**Jimena Canales**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- January 31 *The Origins of Public Museums: Hans Sloane's Collections and the Creation of the British Museum*  
**James Delbourgo**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick
- February 28 *Threshold: Generations of Change in Botanical Practice at the End of the Ancien Regime*  
**Lynette Regouby**, University of Oklahoma
- March 28 *American Convergence: Science and Technology in Colonial Latin America*  
**Maria M. Portuondo**, Johns Hopkins University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Matthew Jones, [mj340@columbia.edu](mailto:mj340@columbia.edu)**

## IRISH STUDIES • 535 Founded: 1973

This seminar serves as an interdisciplinary forum on all aspects and periods of Irish culture. Seminar participants come from a wide variety of fields: history, literature, art history, film studies, political science, sociology, anthropology, music, and folklore. These scholars bring to any topic under discussion a diversity of background which is stimulating and informative for all present. The concern for Irish studies as a field of scholarly inquiry is reflected in the collegial sharing of information about resources and repositories for research in the field.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Terrence Byrne; Professor Mary McGlynn • Rapporteur: Ms. Melissa Bradley-Zrada**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 8 *Brian Friel's Beginnings*  
**Kelly Matthews**, Framingham State University
- October 6 *Remembering Oliver Cromwell in Ireland: Folkloric, Literary, and Historical Afterlives*  
**Sarah Covington**, Queens College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York
- December 1 *Tracing Architectural Vampirism in Irish Texts*  
**Molly Kervick**, University of Connecticut
- February 2 *Guilt Rules All: Mysteries, Detectives, and Crime in Irish Fiction*  
**Elizabeth Mannion**, Independent Author and Editor  
**Fiona Coleman Coffey**, Quinnipiac University
- March 2 *The Global Irish and Chinese: Empire, Foreign Relations, and the Shaping of Modern Immigration Policy*  
**Barry McCarron**, New York University
- April 6 *Muse Mothers: Eavan Boland and Sylvia Plath*  
**Heather Clark**, University of Huddersfield (England, UK)

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The seminar draws from the faculty of New York-area universities and independent scholars; regular participants come from as far away as Baltimore. Attendance varies from twenty to forty-five people, with thirty being average. Half of the speakers are from within the seminar, half are from outside. They present works in progress that generally address important groundbreaking topics in film and media studies within an inter-disciplinary perspective. Most sessions have a respondent, often a regular member of the seminar. The seminar has an international reputation among film and media scholars and has become the center for ongoing face-to-face scholarly exchanges in the field.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Cynthia Lucia, Professor William Luhr • Rapporteur: Mr. James Wham**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 7 *An Evening with David Chase: The Creator of The Sopranos Talks About Art and Life in the Entertainment Industry*  
**David Chase**, Film and Television Writer, Director, and Producer  
 Respondent: **Martha Nochimson**, Mercy College and the David Lynch Graduate School of Cinematic Arts
- October 26 *Postcards from Tora Bora: Animation, Documentary, and the Contemporary Art of War*  
**Karen Redrobe**, University of Pennsylvania  
 Respondent: **Rosalyn Deutsche**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- November 16 *Zionism and Zombies: New Israeli Horror Films*  
**Olga Gershenson**, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
 Respondent: **Neta Alexander**, New York University
- December 7 *Cineaste on Film Criticism, Programming, and Preservation in the New Millennium*  
 Co-Moderators: **Cynthia Lucia**, Cineaste and Rider University  
**Rahul Hamid**, Cineaste and New York University  
 Panelists: **Gary Crowdus**, Cineaste Robert Cashill, Cineaste and popdose.com  
**Roy Grundmann**, Cineaste and Boston University  
**Christopher Sharrett**, Cineaste and Seton Hall University  
**Jared Rapfogel**, Cineaste and Anthology Films
- January 18 *Finding 'A James Whale Production' in Both Archive and Text: Adaptation, Censorship, Marital Rape, and Queer Authorship in One More River (1934)*  
**David Lugowski**, Manhattanville College  
 Respondent: **Joe McElhaney**, Hunter College, City University of New York
- February 8 *Pastiche or Critique: Re-Working the Canonical Avant-Garde, and the Female Body*  
**Vera Dika**, New Jersey City University  
 Respondent: **Anne M. Kearns**, Purchase College, State University of New York
- March 8 *Doris Wishman: The Accidental Auteur; or, Do "Bad" Movies Body Forth the Cinema's Concrete Universal?*  
**Michael Bowen**, Fashion Institute of Technology, State University of New York  
 Respondent: **Drake Stutesman**, New York University and *Framework: The Journal of Cinema and Media*
- April 5 *Get Out! Guess Who's Coming to Dinner Now: The Black Body and Scientific Materialism*  
**Ed Guerrero**, New York University  
 Respondent: **Paula J. Massood**, Brooklyn College, City University of New York

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## WOMEN AND SOCIETY • 545 Founded: 1974

This seminar is devoted to the interdisciplinary study of women in their historical and social contexts, as well as feminist historiography. Among the topics the seminar considers are: the status and function of women historically; cross-cultural and sociological perspectives on women; representations of women in literature, media, and the arts; women and ethics; and feminist theories of class, race, and sexuality.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Karen Baird; Professor Emily Sohmer Tai • Rapporteurs: Ms. Sabrina Kuri-Rodriguez (Fall); Ms. Alma Igra (Spring)**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 18 *Queering Receptivity: Parasexual Pleasure in the Face of Compulsory and Feminized Trauma*  
**Alyson Spurgas**, Trinity College  
Respondent: **Katie Gentile**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York
- October 16 *Biological Stories about Men's Reproduction*  
**Rene Alming**, Yale University  
Respondent: **Rayna Rapp**, New York University
- November 20 *Who's Your Momma? Tracing the Gray Hairs of Feminist Epistemology that Populate My Head*  
**Michelle Fine**, The Graduate Center, City University of New York  
Respondent: **Janet Miller**, Teachers College, Columbia University
- December 11 *Revisiting "Gendered Eugenics": Race and Egg Donation Markets in an Era of Racial Resentment*  
**Erin Heidt-Forsythe**, Pennsylvania State University  
Respondent: **Susan Markens**, Lehman College, City University of New York
- January 29 *From Anti-Discrimination to Empowerment of Women: A Critical Assessment of the CEDAW, MDGs, and SDGs*  
**Zehra Arat**, University of Connecticut  
**Erica MacDonald**, University of Connecticut  
Respondent: **Sakiko Fukuda-Parr**, Schools of Public Engagement at The New School
- February 26 *Proximity of Parts: Anxieties about Difference, Segregation, and Public Bathrooms*  
**Jennifer Gaboury**, Hunter College, City University of New York  
Respondent: **Michele Gregory**, York College, City University of New York
- March 19 *A Splice of Life*  
**Lisa Jean Moore**, Purchase College, State University of New York  
Respondent: **Lesley Sharp**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- April 16 *The Forgotten European Post-Holocaust Trials against Jewish "Collaborators" and the 1948 Dutch Execution of Anna van Dijk*  
**Lotte Houwink ten Cate**, Columbia University  
Respondent: **Susan Jacobowitz**, Queensborough Community College, City University of New York

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From its inception, this seminar adopted an interdisciplinary approach to Turkic studies, and its members represent many fields. At the same time, their interests span more than thirteen centuries. In most years, the program covers a selection of topics reflecting current research of members. Special anniversaries such as the Atatürk centennial (1981–1982), the sixtieth anniversary of the Turkish Republic (1983–1984), and the traveling exhibition, *The Age of Sultan Süleyman the Magnificent* (1987–1988), however, have provided themes around which all papers or a series of papers have been centered. Discussion on papers presented—no matter what their topic—has shown that dialogue between, for example, political scientist and art historian, medievalist and modernist, can be both stimulating and productive.

**Co-Chairs: Leyla Amzi-Erdoğdular; Professor Zeynep Çelik • Rapporteur: Mr. Dotan Halevy**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 29 *Christian Mountains in a Muslim Empire*  
**Molly Greene**, Princeton University
- October 27 *Orhan Veli Kanik, His Life and Works: A Reappreciation*  
**Sibol Erol**, New York University
- November 17 *Kerosene Nights: Light and Enlightenment in Late Ottoman Jerusalem*  
**Avner Wishnitzer**, Tel Aviv University (Israel)
- December 8 *The Migrant Shia: Pilgrims of the Sultan and the Shah*  
**Firoozeh Kashani-Sabet**, University of Pennsylvania
- January 19 *David Ohannessian and the Armenian Ceramics of Jerusalem*  
**Sato Moughalian**, Flutist, Author, and Granddaughter of David Ohannessian
- February 23 *Inventing Laziness: The Culture of Productivity in Late Ottoman Society*  
**Melis Hafez**, Virginia Commonwealth University
- March 30 *Cultural History of Enslaved and Emancipated Africans in the Late Ottoman Empire*  
**Michael Ferguson**, Concordia University
- April 6 *Nineteenth-Century Musical Encounters of European and Ottoman Musicians (with Performances)*  
**Nicolas Dufetel**, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (France)
- April 20 *Writing on the Margins: Distress and Hope Among Ordinary Ottoman Scholars*  
**Tunç Şen**, Columbia University

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This seminar provides a forum for the scholarly exchange of information among key representatives of the chemical dependency research, treatment, prevention, and policy development communities. It seeks to address the important and complex questions relating to the root causes of chemical dependency and abuse, to examine and evaluate epidemiological studies, to determine the effectiveness of various treatment and prevention strategies, and to discuss the wisdom and value of current international, national, and local policies. Membership is comprised of prominent researchers, established leaders in the treatment and prevention fields, and government policy makers. Speakers in the seminar are drawn from the membership itself and by invitation from other institutions.

**Chair: Dr. Frank McCorry • Rapporteur: Ms. Noopur Desai (Fall); Ms. Laura Newman (Spring)**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 12 *Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale – Peer Integration in New York State*  
**Lureen McNeil**, New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services  
**Anthony Shaw**, Certified Peer Advocate
- October 17 *Gateway Drugs Revisited*  
**Denise B. Kandel**, Columbia University and New York State Psychiatric Institute
- November 21 *Towards a Sound Scientific and Clinical Basis Using Cannabis for Medically Assisted Drug Treatment and Opioid Overdose Prevention*  
**Ernest Drucker**, New York University
- December 19 *Value-Based Payment: The Pros and Cons for Addiction Services*  
**Steve Rabinowitz**, New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services
- January 16 *From the Drug War to a Drug Policy that Works: Toward a Health-Based Approach*  
**Gabriel Sayegh**, Katal Center for Health, Equity, and Justice
- February 20 *Trauma-Informed Care: An Essential Element of Effective SUD Treatment*  
**L. Jeannine Bookhardt-Murray**, Morris Heights Health Center
- March 20 *Quality and Accountability in Substance Use Care: The Present and Future of Performance Measures*  
**Mady Chalk**, Treatment Research Institute and the Chalk Group  
**Frank McCorry**, FAM Counseling
- April 17 *Back to Basics: How to Optimize the Use of Methadone and Buprenorphine in Dependency Treatments*  
**Andrew Byrne**, OTP Practitioner (Australia)
- May 15 *Planning for 2018-2019 Seminar Series*  
**Frank McCorry**, FAM Counseling

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## TWENTIETH-CENTURY POLITICS AND SOCIETY • 555 Founded: 1992

The seminar concerns Europe, the United States, and the non-West. It brings together historians, sociologists, political scientists, literary critics, and other scholars to discuss current research on diverse cultural, social, and political theses, especially those that stimulate comparative perspectives.

**Chair: Professor Christopher Dietrich • Rapporteur: Mr. Peter Slezkine**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 17 *Living and Dying in International Law: Austria-Hungary in the Legal History of Decolonization*  
**Natasha Wheatley**, Princeton University
- November 14 *Ralph Ellison Was Right about An American Dilemma (1944)*  
**Maribel Morey**, Clemson University and the Carnegie Foundation
- January 30 *Iran in Motion: Encountering the Trans-Iranian Railway*  
**Mikiya Koyagi**, New York University
- February 27 *Against 'Isolationism': How Americans Learned to Stop Worrying and Police the World*  
**Stephen Wertheim**, Cambridge University (England, UK)
- April 17 *'American Exceptionalism' and U.S. Foreign Policy Discourse: From Cold War Triumphalism to the Dawn of Trumpism*  
**John Fousek**, New York University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Christopher Dietrich, [cdietrich2@fordham.edu](mailto:cdietrich2@fordham.edu)**

Recently completed field studies and research from primary sources on Brazil constitute the main interest of this seminar. Brazilian, U.S. and other visiting scholars participate, contributing their interpretations of recent events. Portuguese may be spoken whenever convenient.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Diana Brown; Professor John F. Collins; Professor Sidney Greenfield;  
Professor Vânia Penha-Lopes • Rapporteur: Mr. Gabriel Moura Queiroz**

2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 14 *The Outlook for the Brazilian Economy: What Went So Wrong? What Can Be Done About It?*  
**Thomas Trebat**, Columbia Global Center in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
- October 19 *Understanding Institutional Dimensions of Criminal Justice in the Control of Crime*  
**Claudio Beato, Jr.**, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (Brazil) and Columbia University
- November 16 **Joint meeting with 405 and 411**  
*When is a Kickback Like Fulfilling a Promise to a Saint? Religion, Traditional Culture, and Corruption in Brazil*  
**Sidney Greenfield**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- December 14 *Liberal Democracy and Advanced Oligarchy in Brazil and Beyond*  
**José Maurício Domingues**, Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) and New York University
- February 15 **Joint meeting with 405 and 411**  
*Marxism, Publicity, Reality, and the Messiah: On Living with Secularization*  
**Ashley Lebner**, Wilfrid Laurier University (Canada)
- March 1 *Politics and Subjectivities from a Tropicalista Perspective: Caetano Veloso and Gal Costa's Recanto and Contemporary Brazil*  
**Liv Sovik**, Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) and Columbia University
- April 19 **Joint meeting with 405 and 411**  
*Upper Amazon, 'Uncontacted Indians', Mythology, and Numeracy*  
**Pita Kalekna**, Independent Scholar
- May 10 *The Sacrifice of the Brazilian Cerrado: Greenwashing, Foreignization, and Financialization*  
**Gustavo L.T. Oliveira**, Swarthmore College

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## ARABIC STUDIES • 559 Founded: 1977

The concerns of this seminar are interdisciplinary and humanistic. In addition to Arabic language and literature, the range of interests includes topics of significance for Islamic studies: religion, philosophy, science, law and history of the Muslim world, and modern social and cultural history. The seminar affords an opportunity to members and guest speakers to discuss research in progress. Because the members come from several disciplines, the substantive discussions draw upon various fields to expand the sources, help reformulate questions, and anticipate future publications.

**Chair: Professor Muhsin al-Musawi • Rapporteurs: Ms. Sahar Ishtiaque Ullah (Fall); Mr. Mohamed Wajdi Ben Hammed (Spring)**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 28 *اليوم القصيدة تكتبه الذي*  
**Mohammed Bennis**, Mohammed V University (Morocco)
- October 26 *On Iraqi Writer Muhammad Khudayyir and the Short Story*  
**Chip Rossetti**, New York University, Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates)
- November 30 *Mayy Ziyadah's Salon as a 'Modernity' Dynamic*  
**Boutheina Khaldi**, American University of Sharjah (United Arab Emirates)
- February 22 *Kutub al-Lugha as World Literature: The Case of the Arabic Names of the Lion*  
**David Larsen**, New York University
- March 29 *The Oriental Difference in Foucault's Thought: An Interpretation*  
**Marnia Lazreg**, Hunter College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York
- April 26 *Surrealism, Internationalism, and the Afro-Asian in Edwar al-Kharrat's Texts*  
**Hala Halim**, New York University

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## NEO-CONFUCIAN STUDIES • 567 Founded: 1979

This seminar examines the formation, development, and role of Neo-Confucian thought in China, Japan, and Korea. The relationship between Neo-Confucianism and other aspects of the history of East Asia is considered, and on occasion intellectual responses to Neo-Confucianism are also examined. The seminar circulates copies of papers to its members prior to meetings.

**Co-Chairs: Mr. Ari Borrell; Professor Tao Jiang; Professor On-cho Ng; Professor Deborah Sommer • Rapporteur: Mr. Zachary Berge-Becker**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 6      *Selfishness and Self-Centeredness*  
**Philip J. Ivanhoe**, City University of Hong Kong
- November 10    *The Buddhist Roots of Zhu Xi's Philosophical Thought*  
**John Makeham**, La Trobe University (Australia)
- February 16    *The Affective Origin of Translated Political Modernity in Late Qing China*  
**Jean Tsui**, College of Staten Island, City University of New York
- April 20        *Two Confucian Theories on Children and Childhood*  
**Pauline Lee**, Saint Louis University

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## SHAKESPEARE • 581 Founded: 1982

This seminar explores issues of interest to current Shakespeare scholarship. Principal topics include the relation of play-script to performance, the implications of recent changes in textual study, the relevance of texts to the social and political world in which they were produced, and the impact of contemporary theory on Shakespeare criticism. A Bernard Beckerman Memorial Lecture is presented annually in honor of the seminar's founder.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Gavin Hollis; Professor Matt Zarnowiecki • Rapporteur: Mr. Alexander Lash**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 8 *How Many Knights Had King Lear?*  
**Thomas G. Olsen**, State University of New York at New Paltz
- October 13 *Devils in the Details: Richard Dadd's Shakespeare*  
**Corey McEleney**, Fordham University
- November 10 *Shakespeare and Innovation*  
**Mary Thomas Crane**, Boston College
- December 8 *Music on the Enchanted Island*  
**Alexander Lash**, Columbia University
- February 9 *'Intelligently Organized Resistance': Shakespeare in the Diasporic Politics of John E. Bruce*  
**Kim F. Hall**, Barnard College, Columbia University  
**Bernard Beckerman Memorial Lecture**
- March 9 *Clothing the Sinews of the City's Mystic Body: Style and Queer Worldmaking in Early Modern Literature*  
**James Bromley**, Miami University of Ohio
- April 13 *'Qualities of Breeding': Race, Class, and Conduct in The Merchant of Venice*  
**Patricia Akhimie**, Rutgers University-Newark
- May 11 *How to Do Things with Indian Boys: Sex and Race on the Shakespearean Stage*  
**Abdulhamit Arvas**, Vassar College

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## SOUTHEAST ASIA IN WORLD AFFAIRS • 583 Founded: 1982

This seminar is concerned with the contemporary political economy of Southeast Asia, and in particular with its international dimensions. The agenda includes current problems of economic and political change in the countries of the region, as well as issues in relations with the United States, Japan, China, and Russia. The seminar membership includes policy-makers from the public and private sectors, as well as scholars, and the group as a whole has a strong policy orientation.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Ann Marie Murphy; Professor Hugh T. Patrick • Rapporteur: Ms. Aphinya Siranart**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- April 12      *China's Belt and Road Initiative in Southeast Asia*  
**Cheng-Chwee Kuik**, National University of Malaysia
- May 2        *U.S. Policy toward Myanmar*  
**Derek Mitchell**, Former U.S. Ambassador to Malaysia, Albright Stonebridge Group, and the United States Institute of Peace

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## ETHICS, MORAL EDUCATION, AND SOCIETY • 585 Founded: 1983

This seminar, made up of theoreticians, researchers, and educators, examines the themes of ethics, moral education, and society in a genuinely interdisciplinary fashion, covering such topics as moral motivation, moral development, moral education, and moral theory. Membership is drawn from the fields of psychology, philosophy, sociology, education, political theory, and religion. The seminar provides a meeting ground for communication and support unique to the New York metropolitan region.

**Chair: Dr. Elizabeth Cohn • Rapporteur: Mr. Timothy Cha**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 16     **Joint meeting with 511**  
*The Art of Choosing*  
**Sheena Iyengar**, Columbia University
- November 13     **Joint meeting with 511**  
*High Price: A Neuroscientist's Journey of Self-Discovery that Challenges Everything We Know about Drugs and Society*  
**Carl Hart**, Columbia University
- December 11     **Joint meeting with 511**  
*The Antidote: Happiness for People Who Can't Stand Positive Thinking*  
**Oliver Burkeman**, Independent Author and Journalist
- January 22     **Joint meeting with 511**  
*The Human Life-Cycle: Cross-Cultural Perspectives*  
**Uwe P. Gielen**, St. Francis College  
**SungHun Kim**, St. Francis College
- May 21     **Joint meeting with 511**  
*Empathy: Its Power, Potential, Perversions, and Politics*  
**Cris Beam**, William Paterson University

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## COGNITIVE AND BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCE • 603 Founded: 1986

For more than 100 years, comparative psychologists have sought to understand the evolution of human intelligence. New paradigms for studying cognitive processes in animals—in particular symbol use and memory—have, for the first time, allowed psychologists and neuroscientists to compare higher thought processes in animals and human beings. New imaging approaches have also facilitated exploring the neural basis of behavior and both animals and humans. Questions concerning the nature of animal and human cognition have defined the themes of this seminar whose members include specialists in cognition, ethology, philosophy and neuroscience.

**Co-Chairs: Professor James Curley; Professor Herbert S. Terrace • Rapporteur: Ms. Basak Akdoğan**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- December 7    **Joining meeting with 681**  
*Speech is Special and Language is Structured*  
**David Poeppel**, New York University and Max-Planck-Institut für Empirische Ästhetik (Germany)
- February 1    *Multi-Modal Characterisation of Memory Networks*  
**Paula Croxson**, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- March 1        *Circuit Dissection of Contextual Memories Organized on Different Time Scales*  
**Chris MacDonald**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- April 12        *Artificially Modulating Positive and Negative Memories in Healthy and Maladaptive States*  
**Steve Ramirez**, Boston University
- May 11         *Specialization for Decision Making in Primate Prefrontal Cortex*  
**Elisabeth Murray**, National Institute of Mental Health

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## FULL EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL WELFARE, AND EQUITY • 613 Founded: 1987

The seminar focuses on the analytical and policy issues related to full employment, social welfare, and equity. These include crossnational perspectives, primarily in other industrialized economies. The purpose is to identify and clarify the more difficult and central intellectual questions which relate to and affect the national commitment and capability to assure full employment, social welfare, and equity over long periods.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Sheila Collins; Professor Helen Lachs Ginsburg; Professor Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg**  
**Rapporteur: Ms. Aggie Meiping Sun**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 25 *Share America: A Radical New Deal*  
**Joseph Wilson**, Brooklyn College, City University of New York
- November 20 *Looking Ahead: Strategies for Advocating for Jobs for All in These Times*  
**Trudy Goldberg**, National Jobs for All Coalition and Adelphi University  
**Rohan Grey**, National Jobs for All Coalition and Modern Money Network
- February 5 *Full Employment in One City? The NYC Jobs for All Bill*  
**Philip Harvey**, Rutgers University-Camden
- March 26 *Recent Trends in Nonmedical Prescription Opioid Use and Opioid Use in the United States: Associations with Race/Ethnicity, Poverty, and Employment Status*  
**Silvia S. Martins**, Columbia University
- April 23 *Will a Robot Take Your Job? 2.0*  
**June Zaccone**, Hofstra University

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## IRANIAN STUDIES • 615 Founded: 1987

The purpose of these monthly gatherings is to present and promote new research in Iranian studies from pre- Islamic times to the present. The seminar provides an opportunity for scholars and researchers in the greater metropolitan area to meet regularly and exchange views and discuss the topics of their research interests.

**Co-Chairs: Mr. Moshen Ashtiany; Dr. Mahnaz Moazami • Rapporteur: Mr. Navid Zarrinnal**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- January 24     *In Search of Modern Iran*  
**Abbas Amanat**, Yale University
- February 28     *The Early History of the Arsacids: Some New Insights*  
**Marek Jan Olbrycht**, Institute for Advanced Study
- April 25     *Persian Manuscripts and the Meaning of Masterpiece*  
**Marianna Shreve Simpson**, University of Pennsylvania

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## BUDDHIST STUDIES • 629 Founded: 1990

The seminar discusses issues and ongoing research in Buddhist Studies, as well as the interface between Buddhist Studies and other humanistic and scientific disciplines. Buddhism has been a powerful cultural and intellectual, as well as religious, current in all of the Asian civilizations. Its manifestations engage the scholarly concern of members of a wide range of disciplines: religious studies (itself an interdisciplinary enterprise), philosophy, psychology, history, sociology, anthropology, comparative literature, art history, and political science, among others. The seminar is focused not on a narrow range of issues concerning the Buddhist religions, but on a broad range of philosophical, cultural, social, and scientific subjects arising from the long and rich historical experience of the numerous Buddhist civilizations.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Michael I. Como; Professor Max Moerman • Rapporteur: Mr. Xiao Xiao**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- December 7 *Right Thoughts at the Last Moment: Buddhism and Deathbed Practices in Early Medieval Japan*  
**Jacqueline Stone**, Princeton University
- February 23 *Buddhism and the Politics of Public School Education in Postwar Japan*  
**Jolyon Thomas**, University of Pennsylvania
- March 9 *The Poetry Demon: Literary Cultures of Monks in Song Dynasty China*  
**Jason Profass**, Brown University
- April 20 *Examining Scriptural Networks Through the Lens of Textual Practice and Transmission: The Cases of Great Notes (Maka Shō) and Raishin's Notes (Raishin Shō)*  
**Brian Ruppert**, Bates College
- April 23 *Variations on a Theme of Inversion: Nirvāṇa as Permanence, Joy, Self, and Purity*  
**Wendi Adamek**, University of Calgary

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Professor Max Moerman, [dmoerman@barnard.edu](mailto:dmoerman@barnard.edu)**

## RELIGION IN AMERICA • 661 Founded: 1997

This seminar explores the role of religion in American society from cross-disciplinary perspectives: history, anthropology, literature, sociology, theology, material culture, etc. Both “religion” and “America” are broadly defined: “religion” takes into account multicultural and multifarious religious expressions in an increasingly pluralistic setting; “America” includes not merely the United States but Canada and the Caribbean as well. The members of the seminar are particularly interested in examining the religiously rich environment of New York City.

**Chair: Professor Gale Kenny • Rapporteur: Mr. Andrew Jungclaus**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 5      *The Preacher's Wife: Women and Power in American Megaministry*  
**Kate Bowler**, Duke University
- October 30     *Writing Rural Southern Religious History in the Shadow of Trump*  
**Alison Greene**, Mississippi State University
- December 4    *Animals as Rhetorical Religious Actors in Early America*  
**Seth Perry**, Princeton University
- February 5     *Hearts and Bones: A Week at the Glen Workshop*  
**Ryan Harper**, New York University
- March 5        *Religion and the Emergence of an Interventionist Foreign Policy in Antebellum America*  
**John Corrigan**, Florida State University
- April 9         *Human Nature and the Ethics of Human Enhancement*  
**Joseph Fisher**, Columbia University
- May 7          *Queer Nuns: Religion, Activism, and Serious Parody*  
**Melissa Wilcox**, University of California, Riverside

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## THE HISTORY OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY • 667 Founded: 1998

This seminar provides a forum where issues that define the institutional, intellectual and social history of Columbia University will be given scholarly consideration. Speakers will consist of a mix of “outside” specialists in American academic history and Columbia “insiders” who have had a direct involvement with a particular issue and a familiarity with recent Columbia folkways.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Floyd Hammack; Mr. Chauncey G. Olinger, Jr. • Rapporteur: Mr. Mark Jamais**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 4      *The Big Picture: The Distinctive U.S. Higher Education System and Implications for Columbia College and the University*  
**Floyd Hammack**, New York University
- November 1    *The Core Curriculum in the Context of the Great Books Movement*  
**William N. Haarlow**, Northwestern University  
Respondent: **Roosevelt Montas**, Columbia University  
Respondent: **J. Scott Lee**, Association for Core Texts and Courses
- December 6    *The Evolution of the Core Curriculum at Columbia College*  
**Roosevelt Montas**, Columbia University
- February 7    *University Protest and Activism*  
**Jocelyn Wilk**, Columbia University
- May 2         *A Columbia Student Politician Remembers the Spring of '68: A Contrarian View of '68*  
**Chauncey G. Olinger, Jr.**, Columbia University  
Respondent: **Jack Kahn**  
Respondent: **John Rousmaniere**

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## LANGUAGE AND COGNITION • 681 Founded: 2000

What can the study of language contribute to our understanding of human nature? This question motivates research spanning many intellectual constituencies, for its range exceeds the scope of any one of the core disciplines. The technical study of language has developed across anthropology, electrical engineering, linguistics, neurology, philosophy, psychology, and sociology, and influential research of the recent era of cognitive science has occurred when disciplinary boundaries were transcended. The seminar is a forum for convening this research community of broadly differing expertise, within and beyond the University. As a meeting ground for regular discussion of current events and fundamental questions, the University Seminar on Language and Cognition will direct its focus to the latest breakthroughs and the developing concerns of the scientific community studying language.

**Chair: Professor Robert Remez • Rapporteur: Ms. Jackie Kim (Fall); Ms. Molly Tong (Spring)**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- November 2     *Word Order in an Emerging Language*  
**Mark Aronoff**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York
- December 7     **Joint meeting with 603**  
*Speech is Special and Language is Structured*  
**David Poeppel**, New York University and Max-Planck-Institut für Empirische Ästhetik (Germany)
- February 2     *The Central Role of Phonetic Detail in the Processing of Non-Native Sound Sequences*  
**Lisa Davidson**, New York University
- March 8     *Aspects of Vocalic Change in Contemporary New York City English*  
**Bill Haddican**, The Graduate Center, City University of New York
- April 5     *The Role of Prediction in Infant Language-Learning*  
**Lauren Emberson**, Princeton University
- May 3     *Storytelling in Popular Movies: A Cinematic Approach*  
**James E. Cutting**, Cornell University

**Academic year 2018–2019 Chair: Professor Robert Remez, rremez@barnard.edu**

## MEMORY AND SLAVERY • 689 Founded: 2001

This seminar began as a conversation on the continued effects of slavery in the United States. In recent years we have built upon that initial conversation, and now members and guests may choose to discuss one or both implicit meanings of our title: how the United States might more carefully and fully recognize the effects of slavery on all its citizens today, and how our memories of earlier difficulties might enslave any one of us, trapping us in the past and making it difficult for us to grow into the present.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Pilar Jennings; Professor Robert Pollack • Rapporteur: Br. John Glasenapp**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- January 29      *Healing from Trauma: An Exploration of Childhood, Race, and Psychoanalysis*  
**Pilar Jennings**, Psychoanalyst in Private Practice and Union Theological Seminary
- February 26    *The Impact of Slavery on the American Psyche*  
**Kim Arrington**, Harlem Family Institute
- April 5         *Ashley Montagu: A Life in Science and Politics*  
**Alan McGowan**, Schools of Public Engagement at The New School
- May 1          *Moving Walls: The Barracks of America's Concentration Camps*  
**Stan Honda**, Independent Photojournalist

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## EARLY CHINA • 691 Founded: 2002

The seminar focuses on early Chinese civilization from the Neolithic Age to the Han Dynasty and brings together scholars from all Early China related fields: history, archaeology, art history, literature and language, religion and philosophy. The seminar will facilitate interregional exchanges by inviting distinguished Sinologists from other parts of the country, and will publicize new archaeological discoveries.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Roderick Campbell; Professor Jue Guo • Rapporteur: Ms. Shih-han Wang**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 6 *Fleshing out the Social Identity of Human Sacrificial Victims in Late Shang China*  
**Daniela Wolin**, Yale University
- October 27 *Reading Shi ji Without the Biographical Fallacy*  
**Yang Lei**, Carleton College
- November 17 *Communities and Practice in Early China – Social Action in the Zhou World*  
**Yitzchak Jaffe**, New York University
- February 9 *How Classical Chinese Grammar Looked to Its First Native Students*  
**David Prager Branner**, Independent Scholar
- March 2 *Notes on the Note (ji 記) in Early Chinese Manuscripts: Between Administration and Affect*  
**Luke Habberstad**, University of Oregon
- March 23 *Technological Changes on the Proto-Silk Roads: The Tao River Archaeology Project, Gansu, China*  
**Rowan Flad**, Harvard University
- April 20 *On the Creation of Warring States: An Exploration of a Historiographical Staple*  
**Miranda Brown**, University of Michigan
- May 4 *Divination and the Body in Early China*  
**Constance Cook**, Lehigh University

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## MODERN BRITISH HISTORY · 701 Founded: 2004

The seminar in Modern British history brings together historians from the different New York area institutions, together with literary scholars, political scientists, philosophers and others working historically, to hear research papers by visiting scholars, to discuss recent significant books in the field of Modern British history (from the late seventeenth century to the present) or to comment on work in progress by members of the group.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Guy Ortolano; Professor Susan Pedersen · Rapporteur: Ms. Roslyn Dubler**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- September 20 *Thatcher's Progress: Urban Planning and Social Democracy in Postwar Britain*  
**Guy Ortolano**, New York University  
Discussant: **Sam Wetherell**, Columbia University
- October 17 *Insure, Britannia! Marine Insurance in the Maritime Empire, 1622-1777*  
**Hannah Farber**, Columbia University  
Discussant: **Carl Wennerlind**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- November 14 *Municipal Feminism and the Politics of Prostitution in London in the Early 1980s*  
**Judith Walkowitz**, Johns Hopkins University  
Discussant: **Hilary Hallett**, Columbia University
- January 30 *Sympathetic Ink: Identity, Politics, and the Early Nineteenth-Century Effort to Reform the British Sodomy Law*  
**Charles Upchurch**, Florida State University  
Discussant: **Seth Koven**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick
- February 27 *Free Speech in Eighteenth-Century England*  
**Fara Dabhoiwala**, Princeton University  
Discussant: **Deborah Valenze**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- April 18 *The Science of Human Nutrition and Visions of Peace in Inter-War Britain*  
**Alma Igra**, Columbia University  
Discussant: **Samantha Iyer**, Fordham University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Guy Ortolano, ortolano@nyu.edu**

## MODERN GREEK · 703 Founded: 2005

The seminar's title emphasizes the language—Modern Greek—over the metropolitan nation-state, Modern Greece. By so doing, the seminar uses the enduring and versatile nature of the language as a symbol for broader themes that, both diachronically and synchronically, depict the tension between sameness and difference, between the continuities and discontinuities that comprise the Hellenic world. The seminar does not limit its focus to Modern Greece, even though it remains its foremost concern, instead it seeks to provide a forum for original interdisciplinary perspectives on Byzantine, Ottoman, and Modern Greece and the Greek diaspora. Seminar participants from a wide variety of fields consider all aspects of the post-classical Greek world as well as the reception and creative appropriation of the classical Greek tradition both in Greece and abroad. The seminar examines Greek relations with Western Europe, the Balkans, the Mediterranean, the Caucasus and the Middle East, tracing also the cultural presence of historic Greek communities in these areas as well as in more recent diasporas, in the United States and Australia. The seminar also examines the presence of diverse communities within Greece.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Dimitrios Antoniou; Professor Karen Van Dyck · Rapporteur: Ms. Chloe Howe Haralambous**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- October 13 *Documentary Screening – Searching for Andreas: Political Leadership in the Time of Crisis (2017) by Harris Mylonas and Theo Prodromidis*  
**Harris Mylonas**, George Washington University  
Discussant: **Peter Bratsis**, Borough of Manhattan Community College, City University of New York
- November 21 *Chora Exarcheion: The Polytechnio Campus and Radical Imagination*  
**Eirene Efstathiou**, Athens School of Fine Arts (Greece)  
Discussant: **Anthony Graves**, Independent Artist
- December 5 *Dressing Clio: Parades and Revivals in Greece (Nineteenth – Twentieth Centuries)*  
**Christina Koullouri**, Panteion University (Greece)  
Discussant: **Mark Mazower**, Columbia University
- January 25 *Παροιμίες – Anthropological Reflections through Craft and Folk Art of Modern Greece*  
**Zoë Paul**, Independent Artist  
Discussant: **Alexandra Alexopoulou**, Independent Curator
- February 15 *Different Ways of Being “Greek”: Borderland and Religion in the City of Coru in the Eighteenth Century*  
**Daphne Lappa**, Princeton University  
Discussant: **Konstantina Zanou**, Columbia University
- March 30 *Shades of the Spectropolitical: Dead Bodies and Digital Mourning Between Precarity and Celebrity in Contemporary Greece*  
**Rebekah Rutkoff**, Princeton University  
Discussant: **Laura Kunreuther**, Bard College
- April 12 *Here/There: Immigrants, Comparison, and Critique*  
**Yiannis Papadakis**, University of Cyprus (Cyprus)  
Discussant: **Dimitrios Antoniou**, Columbia University

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## EARLY MODERN FRANCE • 707 Founded: 2005

The focus of the seminar is the cultural and intellectual history of early modern France (from 1500 to 1800) and the approach is interdisciplinary. The seminar includes literature scholars, historians, and philosophers. It meets at least once a month. The current format, which has proven very successful, consists in circulating a relatively short piece written by the invited speaker among the group members and discussing it at the meeting. Thus, instead of a formal talk followed by a few questions, there is an in-depth, 90-minute conversation.

**Chair: Professor Pierre Force • Rapporteur: Ms. Celia Abele**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 10 *Reinventing the Wheel: Emulation in the European Enlightenment*  
**Matthew Jones**, Columbia University
- November 31 *The Spirit of Speculation: John Law and Economic Theology in the Age of Lights*  
**Charly Coleman**, Columbia University
- November 20 *On Functional Gender*  
**Marian Rothstein**, Carthage College
- February 22 *'Motion of Bodies': Does that Mean It Thinks?*  
**Wilda Anderson**, Johns Hopkins University
- March 27 *Prosthetic Sovereignty: François I and the Ear of the People*  
**Katie Chenoweth**, Princeton University
- April 19 *The Confusion of Diverse Voices: Toward an Acoustics of Seventeenth-Century Musical Theatre*  
**Ellen Welch**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Pierre Force, pf3@columbia.edu**

## LITERARY THEORY • 711 Founded: 2005

This seminar has had a long and distinguished history at Columbia. Originally called Theory of Literature (469), it was revived under its current title in 2006 with a view to pursuing the relations between literature, philosophy, and the politics that pervades our cultural production and its study. For some time now, literary studies has been engaged in wider theoretical approaches to texts and to the very idea of literature and criticism, and the seminar hopes to take philosophical stock of this tendency as well as to try to bring to it, wherever possible, more creative and more rigorous angles. These goals will initially be pursued broadly and ecumenically and should it turn out that one or other theme surfaces, which demands our sustained focus, the seminar will very likely take it up for a whole year, approaching it from different angles. For the most part, one of the members will circulate a paper, introduced for the seminar by another member, but occasionally, we will invite a speaker from outside the membership.

**Chair: Professor Bruce Robbins • Rapporteur: Ms. Victoria Wiet**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 20 *Wallace Stevens and the Confidence of Imagination*  
**Paul Bove**, Columbia University of Pittsburgh  
Respondent: **Joseph North**, Yale University
- October 10 *A New Querelle of Universals*  
**Étienne Balibar**, Columbia University and Université de Paris X-Nanterre  
Respondent: **Gil Anidjar**, Columbia University
- November 10 *Interior Frontiers: Diagnostic and Dispositif*  
**Ann Stoler**, The New School for Social Research  
Respondent: **Étienne Balibar**, Columbia University and Université de Paris X-Nanterre
- November 27 *Reimagining Secularism: Respect, Domination, and Principled Resistance*  
**Rajeev Bhargava**, Jawaharlal Nehru University (India) and New York University  
Respondent: **Sam Haselby**, Aeon Magazine
- January 18 *Molecular Red: Theory for the Anthropocene*  
**McKenzie Wark**, The New School for Social Research  
**Dennis Tenen**, Columbia University
- February 7 *The Beast and the Sovereign: Where the Wild Things Are: Humans, Animals, and Children*  
**Jack Halberstam**, Columbia University  
Respondent: **Paige West**, Columbia University
- March 5 *Therapeutic Citizenship*  
**Nadia Abu El-Haj**, Barnard College, Columbia University  
Respondent: **Crystal Parikh**, New York University
- April 19 *Field Theory of Form*  
**Marjorie Levinson**, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
Respondent: **Branka Arsić**, Columbia University

**Academic year 2018–2019 Chair: Professor Bruce Robbins, bwr2001@columbia.edu**

## CULTURAL MEMORY • 717 Founded: 2007

The University Seminar on Cultural Memory began in 2005 as an interdisciplinary colloquium welcoming graduate students and faculty from Columbia and its neighbors. The Seminar, incepted in 2007, builds upon this already-established community and aims to further develop a vibrant interdisciplinary dialogue on contemporary issues of cultural and collective memory, including but not limited to traumatic memory, collective and national forgetting, memorialization and museology, historical consciousness and historiography, embodied memory and performance, archive and testimony. The Seminar meets monthly and, in addition to discussing chapters and works-in-progress, hosts a series of distinguished visiting speakers, working in close cooperation with relevant departments and institutes at Columbia.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Marianne Hirsch; Professor Andreas Huyssen • Rapporteur: Ms. Daniella Wurst**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 14 *The Department of Missing Persons*  
**Ruth Zylberman**, Author  
Discussant: **Marianne Hirsch**, Columbia University
- October 9 *Minor Archives: Memory, Narrative, and Counter-Narrative*  
**Gil Hochberg**, Columbia University
- November 27 *'They Sold Our Neighbors Paintings Here': Dispossession and the Writing of Art in Turkey*  
**Banu Baraka**, Sabinci Üniversitesi (Turkey)
- February 1 *The White Elephant Archive*  
**Eduard Freudmann**, Independent Scholar
- February 5 *In the Shadow of Rescue: The Afterlife of the Kindertransport*  
**Jack Halberstam**, Columbia University  
**Sara Davidmann**, University of the Arts, London (England, UK)
- March 27 **Joint meeting with 729**  
*What Remains: Everyday Encounters with the Socialist Past in Germany*  
**Jonathan Bach**, Schools of Public Engagement at The New School
- April 2 *Everyone is Present: Photography, Memory, and Family Archives*  
**Terry Kurgan**, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa)
- April 9 *Embodied Silhouettes: Memory and Action in the Fighting Against Enforced Disappearance*  
**Silvana Mandolessi**, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium)  
**Martin Zicari**, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium)
- April 18 *Decolonizing Memory Studies: Graduate Student Roundtable*  
Moderator: **Erica Johnson**, Pace University  
**Manuela Badilla**, The New School for Social Research  
**Dilara Caliskan**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
**Noni Carter**, Columbia University  
**Selina Makana**, Columbia University  
**Daniella Wurst**, Columbia University

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## COMPARATIVE PHILOSOPHY • 721 Founded: 2007

The Comparative Philosophy Seminar seeks to advance constructive philosophical projects by bringing together scholars with training in diverse areas of Asian thought (mostly the Indian and Chinese) and Western Philosophy. Comparison in this context is not employed to loan authority to one set of obscure discoveries by revealing its resonances with the works of others, deemed less obscure. Nor does it sociologize philosophy in search of general laws of human cultural and intellectual development. Rather, the intent is to explicate, and employ, the fullness of an expanded philosophical toolset—and see how that works. The seminar ordinarily invites respondents who are versed in the relevant field of philosophical inquiry, but who are not necessarily specialists in Asian thought. In order to facilitate an ongoing conversation, seminar meetings for a given year are loosely organized around a very general theme, which speakers are asked to address when possible.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Jonathan Gold; Professor Hagop Sarkissian • Rapporteur: Mr. Jay Ramesh**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 15 *Implicit Commitments and the Logic of Prāsaṅgika*  
**Douglas Duckworth**, Temple University
- October 6 *A Global Norm in Favor of Global Attentiveness?*  
**Jake Davis**, New York University  
Respondent: **Katja Vogt**, Columbia University
- November 3 *Responsibility with a Buddhist Face*  
**Daniel Breyer**, Illinois State University  
Respondent: **Rick Repetti**, Kingsborough Community College, City University of New York
- December 8 *The Structure of Episodic Memory*  
**Nicholas Silins**, Cornell University  
**Susanna Siegel**, Harvard University
- February 9 *The Beginningless Reality of Conceptual Differentiation*  
**Catherine Prueitt**, George Mason University  
Respondent: **Andrew Nicholson**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York
- March 30 *Buddhist Theories of Truth*  
**Kin Cheung**, Moravian College  
Respondent: **Mark Sidertis**, Illinois State University
- April 13 *Bewildered Perception: Exploring Mindfulness as Delusion*  
**Lara Braitstein**, McGill University (Canada)
- May 11 *Buddhist Perfectionism and Korsgaard on Self-Constitution*  
**David Cumiskey**, Bates College  
Respondent: **Carol Rovane**, Columbia University

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## THEORY AND HISTORY OF MEDIA • 727 Founded: 2009

The University Seminar on the Theory and History of Media brings together scholars from the humanities and social sciences to examine emerging concepts in media theory. Media, in this conception, refers to material technologies that (re) produce, store, and transmit information – a conception broad enough that allows us to move from, say, the role of print technologies in early modern Europe, through spirit photography to the emergence of contemporary digital media. We are especially interested in the ways in which technologies shape and are shaped by cultural practices, and social sensibilities, and we consider a historical dimension as central to this effort. There is nothing so powerful in understanding the novelty and dynamism of contemporary media as looking at the introduction of earlier technologies whose technical and social influence was yet to be understood. At the same time, we are also committed to moving beyond the specifics of media in the U.S. to incorporate the different histories and trajectories of media in Europe and elsewhere. Finally, we intend this to be beyond any one disciplinary approach and each year is organized around a specific theme that sets the frame for questions and conversation.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Brian Larkin; Professor Ying Qian • Rapporteur: Mr. Stefan Tarnowski**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- January 29     *The Natural History of Rape*  
**Ariella Azoulay**, Brown University  
Respondent: **Felicity Scott**, Columbia University
- February 26     *Media Hot and Cold*  
**Nicole Starosielski**, New York University  
Respondent: **Debashree Mukherjee**, Columbia University
- March 5     *Persons of Interest: The Status of the Self in Digital Cultures*  
**Andreas Bernard**, Leuphana Universität Lüneburg (Germany)  
Respondent: **Dennis Tenen**, Columbia University
- April 9     *Medium Design*  
**Keller Easterling**, Yale University  
Respondent: **Erica Robles-Anderson**, New York University

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## HISTORY, REDRESS, AND RECONCILIATION · 729 Founded: 2009

Historical redress continues to occupy public and political debates as well as scholarly research. The study of human rights abuses and the ways in which redress addresses past injustices has gained broad recognition across a wide range of academic fields. Despite, or perhaps because of this widespread attention, there has been no systematic attempt to integrate what remain largely disconnected efforts into a trans-disciplinary enterprise let alone paradigmatic approach. In short, the history and the contemporary culture of redress remain a scholarly subject matter that is still in search of its own field. The objective of this seminar is to forge a more structured exchange among scholars and practitioners who engage a set of issues that are yet to self-identify as an academic field, and is addressed in different disciplinary spaces. The seminar provides a forum for interdisciplinary work on issues at the intersection of history, memory and contemporary politics with particular emphasis on redressing past wrongs and gross violations of human rights. It encompasses questions among others of transitional justice, cultural resolution, and reconciliation. Its main principle revolves round the question of how history and memory inform contemporary politics, in particular around conflict and post conflict societies.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Elazar Barkan; Professor Daniel Levy · Rapporteur: Mr. Ido Dembin**

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March 27

**Joint meeting with 717**

*What Remains: Everyday Encounters with the Socialist Past in Germany*

**Jonathan Bach**, Schools of Public Engagement at The New School

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## JAPANESE CULTURE · 733 Founded: 2009

The purpose of the University Seminar on Japanese Culture is to address the rich tradition of Japanese culture, with special focus on literary and visual arts. The seminar takes an interdisciplinary approach, drawing on the fields of literature, art history, religion, and cultural and social history, to shed new light on the multitude of visual, textual, material, and performative genres that are hallmarks of Japanese culture.

**Co-Chairs: Professor David Lurie; Professor Haruo Shirane · Rapporteur: Ms. Ekaterina Komova**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- December 8 *Urbanization and the Imperial Tombs of Ancient Japan: What to Do with the Dead, and What They Can Do to You*  
**Michael Como**, Columbia University  
Respondents: **David Lurie** and **Haruo Shirane**, Columbia University
- January 26 *Women and Performance in Medieval Japan*  
**Okimoto Yukiko**, Aoyama Gakuin University (Japan)
- February 2 *Workshop on Noh and Kabuki*  
**Takemoto Mikio**  
**Umetada Misa**  
**Kodama Ryuichi**

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“Sites of Cinema” takes a new approach to the question of cinema at the moment when cinema is said to be in decline, even in some accounts said to be facing its “death.” At this moment, when are focused on a convergence of moving image forms into a single delivery system we take up divergence over convergence, a divergence. Alternative to André Bazin’s question “What is Cinema?” “Sites of Cinema” will ask “Where is Cinema?” Where has it been seen to be and where will it be spaced in the future—as theoretical construct, national culture, material object, artistic work, social practice and space of exhibition. Cinema has moved and is still moving—from theatrical stages to museum walls, in and on buildings as well as within historical nations and regions of the world. “Sites of Cinema” signals our interest in site-specific cinemas plural but also cinema as a total apparatus—the “cinema of the mind” for the mass audience.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Nico Baumbach; Professor Jane Gaines; Professor Rob King; Professor Debashree Mukherjee**  
**Rapporteurs: Ms. Denise Mok (Fall); Mr. Nathan Smith (Spring)**

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- September 20 *A Brief History of the Video Essay*  
**Kevin B. Lee**, Merz Akademie (Germany)
- October 25 *Screening of Nostalgia for the Future (2017)*  
**Avijit Mukul Kishore**, Independent Filmmaker  
**Rohan Shivkumar**, Independent Architect
- November 2 *Animation of the Technical and the Quest for Beauty*  
**Gertrud Koch**, Freie Universität Berlin (Germany)
- November 30 *Dissonance: Bodies Between Registers*  
**Brigitte Peucker**, Yale University
- January 24 *The Photochemical Image in Contemporary Art*  
**Genevieve Yue**, The New School for Social Research  
 Respondent: **Andrew Uroskie**, Stony Brook University, State University of New York
- February 15 *Incremental Love*  
**Eugenie Brinkema**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
 Respondent: **Thomas Elsaesser**, Universiteit van Amsterdam (The Netherlands) and Columbia University
- March 21 *The Origins of Film Noir*  
**James Naramore**, Indiana University

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**Professor Jane Gaines, jmg2196@columbia.edu; Professor Rob King, rk2704@columbia.edu;**  
**Professor Debashree Mukherjee, dm3150@columbia.edu**

The seminar series continues the line of research established by Professor of Linguistics William Diver. The aim in this approach, as contrasted with formal linguistics, is to account for observed language use, with authentic text as the main source of data. For grammar, this typically entails hypotheses about linguistic signals and their meanings; for phonology, hypotheses about the relevant phonetic characteristics of phonological units. The roles of communication and a human factor are explicitly acknowledged as supporting the explanations offered. The series was begun in 1968 by Diver for the benefit of graduate students working on doctoral theses under his guidance. Since his death in 1995, the series has continued under the auspices of the Columbia School Linguistic Society, with participants presenting analyses or work in progress. Occasionally, it hosts by invitation presenters doing compatible work outside the Columbia School tradition. Work coming out of the seminar has led to numerous conference presentations and publications.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Radmila Gorup; Professor Wallis Reid • Rapporteur: Mr. Timothy Cha (Fall); Ms. Nataly Shahaf (Spring)**

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- September 1 *Phonology Without Boundaries: English*  
**Thomas Eccardt**, Independent Scholar
- September 15 *The Form 'How': Towards a Monosemic Analysis*  
**Andrew McCormick**, Graduate Center, City University of New York
- October 3 *The Meaning of the Present in Early Twentieth-Century Judeo-Spanish Folk-Narrative Text*  
**Lital Belinko**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel)
- October 6 *The Meaning of the Present in Early Twentieth-Century Judeo-Spanish Folk-Narrative Text*  
**Lital Belinko**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel)
- October 13 *Meaning Hypotheses for All, Each, and Every*  
**Nadav Sabar**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel)
- October 27 *Preliminaries of a Meaning Hypothesis Regarding One-Participant Events in Spanish*  
**Eduardo Ho-Fernández**, Graduate Center, City University of New York
- November 10 *Signaled Meaning in Word Order in English: Status of the Characterization of B (with Meanings Assumed vs. Asserted)*  
**Kelli Hesseltine**, Graduate Center, City University of New York
- December 1 *The Form 'How': Towards a Monosemic Analysis*  
**Andrew McCormick**, Graduate Center, City University of New York  
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- December 15 *Meaning Hypotheses for All, Each, and Every*  
**Nadav Sabar**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel)
- January 26 *The Status of Communicative Strategies in Quantitative Validation*  
**Wallis Reid**, Rutgers University-New Brunswick
- February 9 *Signaled Meaning in Word Order in English: Status of the Characterization of B (with Meanings Assumed vs. Asserted)*  
**Kelli Hesseltine**, Graduate Center, City University of New York

- February 23 *The Meaning of the Present in Early Twentieth-Century Judeo-Spanish Folk-Narrative Text*  
**Lital Belinko**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel)  
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**Andrew McCormick**, Graduate Center, City University of New York
- March 9 *Preliminaries of a Meaning Hypothesis Regarding One-Participant Events in Spanish*  
**Eduardo Ho-Fernández**, The Graduate Center, City University of New York
- March 23 *"Back to the Future": Campaign Politicians*  
**Verónica Mailhes**, Universidad Nacional de la Plata (Argentina)
- April 13 *Cerca DE or Cerca A a solution? The Semantic Contribution of Signals in Spanish*  
**Roxana Risco**, Universidad Nacional de la Plata (Argentina)
- April 27 *The Form 'How': Towards a Monosemic Analysis*  
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The purpose of this seminar is to collectively revisit the theoretical basis, educational purpose, and interdisciplinary and global potential for “core curricula” at the level of higher education to meet the challenges of the 21st century. The underlying motivation of the original Core at Columbia had been the preservation of civilization in the wake of WWI—questioning the nature of civilization, identifying those ideas that had most influenced its survival and progress, and fostering an appreciation for human endeavors, concerns, and achievements in such fields as political philosophy, literature, and the arts. Today it would seem the challenge is more to understand the nature and future of interdependence—the interdependence of civilizations, of the sciences and the humanities, of universal values and individual voices, etc. This Seminar invites the participation of faculty and administrators, as well as concerned educators from beyond Columbia, to 1) help frame the kinds of questions that most demand humanity’s collective concern in this new age of interdependence; 2) to identify those classics—including seminal advances in contemporary sciences where advisable—from throughout the world’s traditions that will help bring those concerns into sharpest focus; and 3) to rethink from a fresh perspective the institutional structures and resources by which this new generation of interdisciplinary “core” courses may be most effectively implemented.

**Chair: Professor Rachel Eichung Chung**

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| March 2  | <i>Symposium Pedagogy</i><br><b>Rachel E. Chung</b> , Columbia University<br><b>Gareth Williams</b> , Columbia University |
| March 30 | <i>Symposium Pedagogy</i><br><b>Rachel E. Chung</b> , Columbia University<br><b>Gareth Williams</b> , Columbia University |
| April 13 | <i>Symposium Pedagogy</i><br><b>Rachel E. Chung</b> , Columbia University<br><b>Gareth Williams</b> , Columbia University |

**Academic year 2018–2019 Chair: Professor Rachel Eichung Chung, [ec61@columbia.edu](mailto:ec61@columbia.edu)**



## COMPLEXITY SCIENCE, MODELING, AND SUSTAINABILITY · 743 Founded: 2011

Our world is becoming increasingly complex. Due in large part to biological, technological and human cultural evolution, we are being confronted with progressively more complex ecological, political, economic, technical and social problems. These problems place extreme demands on our capacities to comprehend and react adaptively, and as a consequence we may very well reach the limits of the Earth's capacity to support our increasing population if we remain unable to understand the complexities of the human-environment interface. In this emerging world, our scholarship and evidence-based practices require new metaphors, methods, and measures. This Columbia University Seminar will provide an intellectual forum to explore and cultivate these new perspectives and tools.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Joshua Fisher; Dr. Jacqueline Klopp; Dr. Christoph Meinrenken · Rapporteur: Ms. Sophia Rhee**

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April 18

*The Social Ecological System of the Arid Basins Under Pressure from Recent Mining Development on the Andean Plateau*  
**Felicity Arengo**, American Museum of Natural History

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## CATHOLICISM, CULTURE, AND MODERNITY · 745 Founded: 2011

This interdisciplinary seminar explores aspects of the relationship between Catholicism and the modern world, and examines alternatives to standard narratives of secularization by drawing on recent work in the humanities, the social sciences, and the natural sciences. The seminar provides a forum for scholars to present and discuss the Catholic intellectual tradition in a modern academic setting.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Pierre Force; Professor Lorenzo Polvani · Rapporteur: Mr. Matt Mazewski**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- September 27 *Is the God of Descartes' Metaphysics the 'God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob'?*  
**Sophie Berman**, Saint Francis College
- October 18 *Heidegger, T.S. Eliot, and the Concept of Time*  
**Thomas Pfau**, Duke University
- November 14 *Theological Implications of Alexander Solzhenitsyn's Novel The Red Wheel*  
**Daniel Mahoney**, Assumption College
- January 30 *The Gospel in Gerard Manley Hopkins*  
**Peggy Ellsberg**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- February 28 *The Catholic Intellectual Tradition*  
**Robert Imbelli**, Boston College
- March 27 *Capitalism and "Mammon"*  
**Eugene McCarraher**, Villanova University

**Academic year 2018-2019 Co-Chairs: Professor Pierre Force, [pf3@columbia.edu](mailto:pf3@columbia.edu); Professor Lorenzo Polvani, [Imp@columbia.edu](mailto:Imp@columbia.edu)**

## STUDIES IN DANCE • 749 Founded: 2011

Studies in Dance takes a broad, interdisciplinary approach to dance scholarship, while serving as an ongoing forum for discussion by established and younger scholars. The Seminar embraces all forms of dance scholarship, regardless of discipline, research area, and methodology, and has the long-term goal of encouraging academic publication and new research. The members include Barnard College and Columbia University faculty as well as independent scholars and faculty from other New York institutions, although speakers may come from outside the metropolitan area.

**Chair: Professor Lynn Garafola • Rapporteur: Mr. Buck Wanner**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- October 9 *Exile in Mexico: Massine, Chagall, and World War I*  
**Ninotchka Bennahum**, University of California, Santa Barbara
- October 30 *Jerome Robbins: Composer in Words*  
**Hiie Saumaa**, Columbia University and New York Library for the Performing Arts
- December 4 *Michael Jackson: U.S. Deindustrialization's Virtuoso Dancing Man*  
**Judith Hamera**, Princeton University
- January 29 *Nijinsky/Nietzsche Connections Reexamined*  
**Nicole Svobodny**, Washington University in St. Louis
- February 26 *Moving On: Movement Therapy for Twentieth-Century Trauma*  
**Whitney Laemmler**, Columbia University
- March 19 *Arthur Mitchell's Dance Theatre of Harlem: The Early Years*  
**Zita Allen**, The Ailey School and Fordham University
- April 23 *Balanchine and Kirstein's American Enterprise*  
**Jim Steichen**, San Francisco Ballet and San Francisco Conservatory of Music

Academic year 2018–2019 Chair: Professor Lynn Garafola, [lg97@columbia.edu](mailto:lg97@columbia.edu)

## RELIGION AND WRITING • 751 Founded: 2011

The seminar was founded to create a research group dedicated to the investigation of literacy and writing in world religions. Its focus is the comparative study of the roles of literacy vis-à-vis the uses of writing as a form of communication technology in religious traditions. Approaching the relationship between religion and writing through the lenses of literacy and communication technology, the seminar strives to address all media – from inscriptions on stone and clay tablets to internet websites – and all literary genres – from myths and commentaries to divine revelations and hymns – as well as the theoretical and practical implications of the absence, or rejection, of writing.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Mahnaz Moazami; Dr. Elizabeth Powers • Rapporteurs: Ms. Han Ling**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 18 *The Annunciation: Behind the Scenes*  
**Rachel Fulton Brown**, University of Chicago
- October 17 *Writing a History of the First Reformation: Hussites and Protestants in the Sixteenth Century*  
**Phillip Haberkern**, Boston University
- January 23 *How Infinity Came to Be at Home in the World: The Contribution of Eighteenth-Century German Religious Poetry to a Modern Scientific and Theological Paradigm Shift*  
**John H. Smith**, University of California, Irvine
- February 27 *Writing the Sacred Profane: J.G. Hamann's Critique of German Idealism*  
**Katie Terezakis**, Rochester Institute of Technology
- March 22 *Making Books Talk: The Reception of an Andalusian Biography of the Prophet*  
**Dagmar Anne Riedel**, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Spain) and Columbia University
- April 17 *From Experience to Doctrine: Karl Holl and Luther's Reformation Theology*  
**Christine Helmer**, Northwestern University and Boston College

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Historically, the global health agenda has prioritized communicable and non-communicable diseases other than mental health; however, the data now unequivocally and overwhelmingly point to the essential need to make mental health an integral component of the global health agenda. This will require innovative thinking, multidisciplinary collaboration, and strategic initiatives. The GMH University Seminar is supported by faculty from across multiple departments at Columbia; it provides the opportunity for intellectual discourse on the essential issues in global mental health; and it serves as a seminal component of the multidisciplinary program in global mental health at Columbia University. The GMH University Seminar aims to facilitate professional collaborations and contribute to the field by hosting programs that address and advance the scientific, policy, and practical aspects of making mental health a core component of the global health agenda.

**Chair: Professor Kathleen Pike • Rapporteurs: Ms. Lauren Hagani and Ms. Patricia Wendt**

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- September 25 *Future Challenges of the Canada Grad Challenges TEAM Grant*  
**David Ndtei**, Africa Mental Health Foundation and University of Nairobi (Kenya)  
**Victoria Mutiso**, Africa Mental Health Foundation (Kenya)
- October 16 *Community Mental Health: Politics, Policy, and Practice in NYC (1979–2017)*  
**Ellen Baxter**, Broadway Housing Communities
- November 13 *Child Psychology in a Least Developing Country: The Only Child Psychologist in Nepal Shares His Experience*  
**Arun Kunwar**, Kanti Children’s Hospital (Nepal)
- November 27 *Improving the Health of People with Serious Mental Illness: The Case for Community*  
**James Knickman**, New York University  
**Ralph Aquila**, Fountain House
- December 4 *Understanding the Perspective of Survivors of Human Trafficking on Their Experience in Shelter Care in Cambodia*  
**Laura Cordisco Tsai**, Harvard University and New York University
- January 29 *Global Mental Health Meets Neuroscience: Synergy and Opportunity*  
**Dan Stein**, University of Cape Town (South Africa) and Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- February 12 *Behavioral Science and the Psychology of Decision Making*  
**Sara E. Gorman**, Johnson & Johnson
- March 12 *Intimate Partner Violence, Mental Health, and Community Interventions in Low/Middle-Income Countries*  
**Cady Carlson**, University of Alabama
- March 26 *Violence, Mental Health, and Early Childhood Development in Brazil: Initial Findings from a Collaborative Study*  
**Silvia Martins**, Columbia University
- April 2 *The Soldier Must Be Buried: Experiences of Appetitive Aggression, Avoidance, and Ways of Belonging Among Former Forcibly Recruited Children and Youth*  
**Helle Harnisch**, Aarhus Universitet (Denmark) and Columbia University
- April 16 *Expanding Youth Mental Health Care Access in LMICs: Lessons from a School-Based Study in Haiti*  
**Anne Becker**, Harvard University

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## DEFENSE AND SECURITY • 759 Founded: 2013

The Columbia University Seminar on Defense and Security advances understanding of global military issues through sustained analysis. The seminar addresses the most urgent problems of our time; assesses strategies to resolve, mitigate, and meet these challenges; and initiates specific courses of action. All are welcome to participate.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Nancy Walbridge Collins • Rapporteur: Ms. Suzanne El Sanadi**

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### *Series on the Realities of Global Terrorism*

- October 3 **Daniel Keyserling**, Alphabet Inc.
- November 14 **J.B. Williams**, Council on Foreign Relations
- January 30 **Daniel S. Morgan**, U.S. Army
- February 13 **Charles E. Berger**, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- March 6 **LeAnne Howard**, U.S. Special Operations Command

**Academic year 2018-2019 Chair: Professor Nancy Walbridge Collins, [nwcollins@columbia.edu](mailto:nwcollins@columbia.edu)**

This University Seminar focuses on the transnational material, intellectual and symbolic exchanges that have characterized the regions that once composed successive French empires since the seventeenth century. The seminar will not be an exercise in colonial or imperial history, organized around the opposition between « center » and « periphery », but rather an exploration of connections and lines of fragmentation within that space. The goal of the seminar will be to explore not only France's global expansion and retraction in the modern period, but, no less significantly, the after-lives of French empire in various post-colonies, networks, and institutions. Our goal is to map a distinct—but not isolated—world within the “globe,” one conditioned but not defined by France, its empires, its language, and its ecumene. Inherently interdisciplinary, the seminar will bring together scholars in the humanities and the social sciences from Europe, North America, Asia, and Africa in order to understand these complex exchanges that reach « Beyond France ».

**Co-Chairs: Professor Tabettha Ewing; Professor Emmanuelle Saada • Rapporteur: Mr. Thomas Zuber**

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- October 13 *Generational Power and Global Change: African Students, Cold War Youth Politics, and 'Islam Noir' in Postwar Greater France*  
**Emily Marker**, Rutgers University–Camden
- December 1 *Negotiating a 'Hybrid' Relationship: France, the EEC, and Algeria (1958–1962)*  
**Megan Brown**, Swarthmore College
- February 23 *The Pleasures of State-Sponsored Photography: Visual Citizenship and Identity Photography in the ex-AOF*  
**Jennifer Bajoreck**, Hampshire College
- March 2 *You Will Assimilate to Me: Aimé Césaire and the Francophone Culture of Reprint in Wartime Copywrong*  
**Alex Gil**, Columbia University
- March 30 *Untranslatable Justice: The Politics of Fiction in the Postcolony (Algeria after 1962)*  
**Jill Jarvis**, Yale University
- April 20 *Battles Over Archives: The Multiple Historicities of a Maghribi Society During Ottoman and Colonial Times*  
**M'hamed Oualdi**, Princeton University

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## LOGIC, PROBABILITY, AND GAMES · 765 Founded: 2014

The seminar is concerned with applying formal methods to fundamental issues, with an emphasis on probabilistic reasoning, decision theory and games. In this context “logic” is broadly interpreted as covering applications that involve formal representations. The topics of interest have been researched within a very broad spectrum of different disciplines, including philosophy (logic and epistemology), statistics, economics, and computer science. The seminar is intended to bring together scholars from different fields of research so as to illuminate problems of common interest from different perspectives. Throughout each academic year, meetings are regularly presented by the members of the seminar and distinguished guest speakers.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Haim Gaifman; Dr. Yang Liu; Professor Rohit Parikh · Rapporteur: Mr. Robby Finley**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- November 10 *Entropy and Insufficient Reason*  
**Anubav Vasudevan**, University of Chicago
- December 1 *Formalizing the Umwelt*  
**Rohit Parikh**, Graduate Center, City University of New York
- December 8 *The Price of Broadminded Probabilities and the Limitation of Science*  
**Haim Gaifman**, Columbia University
- February 16 *Finitely-Additive Decision Theory*  
**Mark Schervish**, Carnegie Mellon University
- April 13 *On the Rational Role of Randomization*  
**Thomas Icard**, Stanford University
- May 4 *Ungrounded Payoffs: A Tale of Unconditional Love and Unrepentant Hate*  
**Eleonora Cresto**, Universidad Torcuato di Tella (Argentina)

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## HUMAN-ANIMAL STUDIES • 769 Founded: 2014

The University Seminar on Human-Animal Studies is open to faculty and professional membership in the field of Human-Animal Studies. Vibrant new scholarship is emerging in this area of work. The field's focus is on how humans and (other) animals have interacted across cultures and histories: how the protein, work, and products derived from animals have contributed to human projects; how cross-species relationships have shaped human histories; and how animals' imaginative and aesthetic roles in cultures are connected to the living presence of animals. Work in this field tends to be interdisciplinary, drawing on the social sciences and the humanities as well as on the already interdisciplinary fields of environmental and posthumanist studies.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Brian Boyd; Professor Alexandra Horowitz • Rapporteur: Mr. Matthew Margini**

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- September 25 *Why Animals Matter for Climate Change*  
**Jeff Sebo**, New York University
- November 1 *Is Speciesism a form of Racism?*  
**Christopher Peterson**, Western Sydney University (Australia)
- November 27 *Regulating Milk: Women and Cows in France and the United States*  
**Mathilde Cohen**, University of Connecticut
- April 11 *Forms of Life, Forms of Sound, Indigenous Film*  
**Ana María Ochoa Gautier**, Columbia University
- April 24 *Bio-Power and the Badly Behaved Donkey in the Babylonian Talmud*  
**Beth Berkowitz**, Barnard College, Columbia University

**Academic year 2018–2019 Chair: Professor Brian Boyd, [bb2305@columbia.edu](mailto:bb2305@columbia.edu)**

Indigenous Peoples' claims for retributive justice are leading to debates over restitution, and the legal, political and moral consequences of the acknowledgement of past wrongs. What are the ramifications of the right to self-determination for Indigenous Peoples in a contemporary world? Collective and individual identities and human rights may be in tension with each other. How are these to be reconciled? Gender and generational differentiations may underscore not just individual rifts, but potentially broader conflict within groups themselves. What could be a human rights response to such conflicts? Economic interests of majorities are put forward to justify displacement, dispossession and other violations of Indigenous Peoples' rights. And the hunger for the world's still unexplored natural resources that reside on Indigenous Peoples' lands motivates major decisions of governments and the private sector, with unclear commitment to benefit sharing and even the human rights of Indigenous Peoples. How are conflicting claims and rights between Indigenous Peoples and the dominant society to be resolved? What should be the role of the state in these conflicts? Is the dichotomy between western knowledge and indigenous knowledge a true dichotomy? Can one think "scientifically" and yet be open to an indigenous worldview? Does the adoption of Western epistemologies, ontologies, and methodologies really entail the wholesale rejection of their indigenous counterparts and vice-versa? What is the role of expressive culture and aesthetics in these inquiries? How do they reveal and help us think through indigenous sovereignty or its pursuit, indigenous epistemologies, inter- and intra-community conflict over definitions of identity, social roles, relationships to the physical world and political organization and action?

The University Seminar on Indigenous Studies at Columbia provides the opportunity for sharing research on these many critical issues, which are challenging and unsettling scholars, researchers, and practitioners in and around this field. Discussions revolve around contentious and emerging issues in the field of indigenous studies and research and contribute to the advancement of the field.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Pamela Calla; Professor Elsa Stamatopoulou • Rapporteur: Ms. Amanda Earl**

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- October 3 *Screening of War for Guam followed by a Q&A with the Filmmaker*  
**Frances Negrón-Muntaner**, Columbia University
- November 1 *Indigenous Peoples and the New Globalization: Transnational Development and the Ruthless Elimination of Indigenous Communities in Present-Day Bolivia*  
**Ricardo Calla Ortega**, Former Minister of Indigenous and Native Peoples Affairs in Bolivia
- November 8 *Impact of Extractive Industries and Projects on the Lives of Women from the Northern Extractive Region of Guatemala: Risks for Social Researchers*  
**Rosa Eudelia Macz**, Asociación para el Avance de las Ciencias Sociales (Guatemala)
- February 6 Indigenous Peoples and Cultural Freedoms: Implementing the U.N. Declaration on Indigenous Rights  
**Kristen Carpenter**, University of Colorado and the United Nations
- April 3 *Aging, Precarity, and the Settler State: The Struggle for Indigenous Elsewhere*  
**Sandy Grande**, Connecticut College  
Respondent: **Kevin Bruyneel**, Babson College
- May 1 *Reflections on Prairie Rising: Indigenous Youth, Decolonization, and the Politics of Intervention*  
**Jaskiran Dhillon**, Schools of Public Engagement at The New School  
Respondent: **Manu Vimalassery**, Barnard College, Columbia University

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## THE INTEGRATIVE STUDY OF ANIMAL BEHAVIOR · 773 Founded: 2014

Animal behavior is the ultimate complex and integrated trait, shaped not only by gene, protein, neural, endocrine interactions, but also by interactions among animals of the same and even different species. This Seminar takes an integrative approach to exploring animal behavior by bring together scientists that work in the lab and field to study neuroscience, behavioral ecology, behavioral endocrinology, functional genomics, population genetics, comparative physiology, and more.

**Chair: Professor Dustin Rubenstein · Rapporteur: Mr. Hamza Naseem Iqbal**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- February 5      *Understanding the Molecular Genetic Basis of Diversity and Social Behaviors*  
**Andres Bendesky**, Columbia University  
**Dmitriy Aronov**, Columbia University
- April 23        *Elephant Cognition*  
**Joshua Plotnik**, Hunter College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York  
*Sexual Selection and Conflict Among Fruit Flies*  
**Alison Pischedda**, Barnard College, Columbia University

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## THE FUTURE OF AGING RESEARCH • 775 Founded: 2014

Life expectancy beyond age 80 is becoming commonplace in countries all around the world, and the 65-and-over population will more than double to 1.6 billion by 2050. Our challenge will be to ensure that people are living not only longer lives, but rich lives filled with purpose and good health that benefit all generations and society at large. The Future of Aging Research University Seminar is supported by faculty from across multiple departments at Columbia as well as several external members; it provides the opportunity for intellectual discourse about the implications of aging societies, the modifiability of aging processes, and evidence that supports successful aging for individuals and societies. By looking at topics like the modifiability of cognitive aging, or how stress or disparities affect late life outcomes, The Future of Aging Research University Seminar aims to facilitate interdisciplinary collaborations and contribute to the field by hosting programs that catalyze, promote, and advance aging science and improve policies to benefit longer lives. The Future of Aging Research is chaired by Columbia faculty members Jennifer Manly, Martin Picard, and Kavita Sivaramakrishnan and initiated by the university-wide Columbia Aging Center.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Martin Picard; Professor Ursula Staudinger (Fall); Professor Jennifer J. Manly (Spring);  
Professor Kavita Sivaramakrishnan (Spring) • Rapporteur: Ms. Ann Goddard**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 12 *What Is the Long-Run Causal Relationship Between Wealth and Psychological Well-Being?*  
**David Cesarini**, New York University
- December 5 *How Much Can You Control Your Aging? Toxic Stress, Hormetic Stress, and Biological Aging*  
**Elissa Epel**, University of California, San Francisco
- February 6 *Research on Pathways to Aging Health Disparities: What Are the Best Approaches?*  
**José Luchsinger**, Columbia University  
Discussant: **Jennifer Manly**, Columbia University
- April 10 *New Data, Old Biases: Are Selection Processes Relevant for Health Disparities Research in the Precision Medicine Era*  
**Maria Glymour**, University of California, San Francisco  
Discussant: **Julien Teitler**, Columbia University

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## AFFECT STUDIES • 777 Founded: 2015

This seminar seeks to bring together scholars in the fields and subfields that have been touched by a growing interest in emotional or affective experience, whether understood as embodied or incorporeal, emotional or impersonal, quantifiable or escaping measurement. This inter/multidisciplinary seminar on affect will incorporate a wide range of approaches and topics across disciplines and periods. We aim to provide a forum for a discussion of affect in the arts, sciences, history, psychology, philosophy, ecology, queer/feminist studies and social theory, among others, as well as a means to historicize how affect and emotion have served in religious, social, and political contexts in different periods and locales, from Antiquity to contemporary life. We feel that fostering interdisciplinary exchange on the question of affect is vital for understanding the many valences of affect studies' vocabulary and concerns.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Patricia Dailey; Professor Lauren Mancia • Rapporteur: Ms. Valeria Tsygankova**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 25 *Melting Flowers: Reading Lyric and Telling the Time of Day by the Light of the Anthropocene*  
**Anne-Lise Francois**, University of California, Berkeley
- October 16 *Affective Economies*  
**Sara Ahmed**, Independent Scholar
- April 16 *Revolution, Overdetermination, and the Emotions of a Citizen-Soldier*  
**Thomas Dodman**, Columbia University

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This seminar provides a venue for scholars working in disability studies—which examines the social, political, cultural, and historical factors that define disability—to interrogate the current state of the field and identify the most crucial problems and concerns for its future. Critical scholarship around disability questions is essential because it builds a platform to interrogate charged ethical and political questions about the meaning of aesthetics and cultural representation, identity, and dynamics of social inclusion and/or exclusion. Over the past 15 years, disability studies has grown into a vibrant interdisciplinary arena, engaging some of the most pressing debates of our time: questions about the beginning and end of life, prenatal testing, abortion, euthanasia, eugenics; definitions of mental health and wellness; accommodation in schools, public transportation, and the workplace; technologies for the medical correction and “cure” of the non-normative body; disease, wartime injuries, post-traumatic stress, and healthcare.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Julia Miele Rodas; Professor Irina Carlota (Lotti) Silber · Rapporteur: Ms. Liz Bowen**

2017-2018 · Meetings

- September 15 *Disability and Bioethics*  
**Rosemarie Garland-Thomson**, Emory University  
Respondent: **Lennard J. Davis**, University of Illinois at Chicago
- October 20 *The Womb in the Forehead: Modernism, Deformity, and Olive Moore's Spleen*  
**Maren Linett**, Purdue University  
Respondent: **Rebecca Sanchez**, Fordham University
- November 17 *Neoliberal Assemblages of Economy, Body, and Society: Ethnography of Disability and Microfinance in India*  
**Vandana Chaudhry**, College of Staten Island, City University of New York  
Respondent: **Sophie Mitra**, Fordham University
- February 9 *Being in Touch: Care, Disability, and the Non-Metaphysics of Presence in Urban Uganda*  
**Tyler Zoanni**, New York University  
Respondent: **Omri Elisha**, Queens College, City University of New York
- March 9 *Wheelchair Overboard: Klinghoffer and Ableism*  
**Stephanie Jensen-Moulton**, Brooklyn College, City University of New York  
Respondent: **Joseph Straus**, The Graduate Center, City University of New York
- April 20 *Black Autism*  
**Diana Paulin**, Trinity College

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## SUSTAINABLE FINANCE • 783 Founded: 2016

The transition to a sustainable economic system looms as one of the key challenges of the present generation. This seminar brings together academically-minded practitioners and practically-oriented academics to explore how the financial sector can play an essential and constructive role in funding this transition. The seminar touches on a variety of topics including social impact investing, the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into analysis, the financing of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, and financial system integrity. It also explores the limits to sustainable development policies.

**Co-Chairs: Dr. Satyajit Bose; Dr. Stephen Freedman • Rapporteur: Ms. Julie Pertuiset**

### 2017-2018 • Meetings

- September 25 *The Physical Basis of Climate Change*  
**Jason Smerdon**, Columbia University
- October 30 *The Effect of Weather on Agricultural Output and Prices*  
**Wolfram Schlenker**, Columbia University and the National Bureau of Economic Research
- November 27 *Tackling Climate Risk in the Financial Sector*  
**Mackenzie Huffman**, JPMorgan Chase & Co.
- December 18 *Investing in Climate Change Solutions*  
**Bruce Usher**, Columbia University  
Mark Townsend Cox, New Energy Fund, LP
- January 22 *Portfolio Investing Toward a 2° Future*  
**Stanislas Dupré**, Two Degrees Investing Initiative
- February 12 *Reconciling the Deep End of “Impact” with Investments at Scale for Traditional Returns*  
**Andrea Armeni**, New York University and Transform Finance
- March 5 *Corporate Governance and Sustainable Investment*  
**Ailsa Röell**, Columbia University
- April 9 *The Application of Natural Capital and Ecosystem Service Valuation by the Finance Sector*  
**Jeffrey Potent**, Columbia University  
*REDD+ Project Financing in Developing Countries*  
**Eron Bloomgarden**, Columbia University and Climate & Forest Capital
- May 7 *Benefit Corporations and Human Rights: Unrealized Potential, Challenges, and Opportunities*  
**Joanne Bauer**, Columbia University and PilNet

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## ENERGY ETHICS · 785 Founded: 2017

The Columbia University Seminar on Energy Ethics engages leaders from economics, sustainable development, politics, climate law, environmental studies, disaster studies, international relations, geography, philosophy, ethics, theology, medicine, as well as activists, to discuss energy ethics with a multidisciplinary approach. The seminar addresses the need for a multilateral dialogue between ethicists, energy experts, and policy analysts, while engaging diverse ethical and philosophical frameworks that supply ethical principles. Energy drives what is arguably the greatest crisis of our time, climate change. Sustainable solutions to climate change depend upon effective, scalable, low or zero-carbon energy technologies and energy policies that incentivize them in a complex global system. True sustainability requires that energy technologies and energy policies are deployed with careful regard to all of the impacts, costs, benefits, and trade-offs between stakeholders, including the rights of future generations and ecosystemic health. In other words, energy decisions are profoundly ethical decisions that require the input of experts from multiple sectors.

**Chair: Professor Erin Lothes · Rapporteur: Ms. Rosalind Donald**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

- October 5      *International Human Rights and the Environment*  
**Michel Prieur**, International Centre for Comparative Environmental Law
- December 6    *Human Rights Theory*  
**Michael Burger**, Columbia University  
**Elke Weber**, Princeton University
- February 14    *Geo-Engineering*  
**Forrest Clingerman**, Ohio Northern University and Theological and Ethical Perspectives on Climate Engineering  
Respondent: **Philip Kitcher**, Columbia University
- April 11        *Labor Rights and Claims in Conflict*  
**John Russo**, Georgetown University

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This seminar brings together from various disciplines scholars who work on the history of the book and the study of material texts in order to place the technical and bibliographical study of text objects in dialogue with cultural studies and both the textually- and the materially-oriented humanist disciplines more broadly. Over recent decades, book history has emerged as a necessarily and productively interdisciplinary field; with this in mind, this seminar focuses on the interpretation of material textual objects from an array of disciplinary perspectives. Our aim is to provide a clearinghouse for emerging methods and work, and a nexus for scholars from diverse disciplinary backgrounds to discuss and pursue shared interests in the study of the book and the material text.

**Co-Chairs: Professor Joseph A. Howley; Dr. Karla Nielsen · Rapporteur: Ms. Sierra Eckert**

2017-2018 · Meetings

- October 5      *Paper Publics and Material Textual Affiliations*  
**Jonathan Senchyne**, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- October 25      *"I Hope Some Valued Scraps to Gain": American Readers and Their Commonplace Books of Poetry in the Nineteenth Century*  
**Amanda Watson**, New York University
- November 30      *The Legacy of the Bibliographic Press Movement: Lessons from Carl P. Rollins and the Teaching Presses at Yale University*  
**Katharine M. Ruffin**, Wellesley College
- February 13      *The Transatlantic Thesis Defense*  
**Aaron Hyman**, Johns Hopkins University and the Metropolitan Museum of Art
- March 8      *Books in Exile*  
**Stephanie Frampton**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- April 5      *Nineteenth-Century 'Piracy' and the Story of Copyright Resistance*  
**Monica F. Cohen**, Barnard College, Columbia University
- April 12      *Etched in Wax: Technics, Memory, and Wax Tablets in the Lyrics of Baudri of Bourgueil*  
**Mary Franklin Brown**, University of Minnesota

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## **WATER IN AMERICA** · 789 Founded: 2018

The Water in America Seminar discourse will address the implications of emerging socio-economic, ethical, technical and policy failures and threats to our water supply. We will arrive not just at an assessment of what water means in a changing America, but strategies for achieving the human right to water and sanitation that should be a birthright of all residents of the United States. Our focus will encompass the competing demands for water resources in a twenty first-century global society, including: a growing population, transboundary conflicts, persistent poverty, intensifying agriculture, growth of extractive industries, and crumbling infrastructure. And it will examine the needed technical, business and policy models that could address the concomitant social, economic and ecological concerns.

**Chair: Professor Upmanu Lall · Rapporteur: Ms. Anvi Mridul**

### 2017-2018 · Meetings

February 22     *Widespread Surface Discharge of Untreated Wastewater from Homes in Rural America*  
**Mark Elliot**, University of Alabama

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