

**Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the
Southeast World History Association (SEWHA)**

Periodization and Temporality in World History

October 6 – 7, 2017
University of North Georgia, Dahlonega Campus

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

FRIDAY OCTOBER 6

8:00 am **Registration**
Hoag Student Center (HSC)

Coffee and Tea Service in the Hoag Student Center

9:30 am to 11:00 am **SESSION ONE**

Panel 1
HSC, Room A

**Thinking Comparatively and in Time: Religion,
Modernity, Political Order**

Chair: Pam Sezgin, University of North Georgia

“Salvation Faiths Periods and Virginal Birth of the
Savior: Persia and Christianity”

Mehdi Estakhr, Alabama State University

“Timing Modernity: Pluralizing Global Experiences of
Time”

Nick Di Liberto, Newberry College

“A Comparative Constitutions Project”

Joanna Neilson, Lincoln Memorial University

Panel 2
HSC, Room B

**Roundtable -- Time Crunch: Teaching 10,000 Years
of History in a Semester in the World History Survey**

Moderator: Jeff Pardue, University of North Georgia

“Using Slavery as a Unifying Theme in the World History
Survey”

Jonas Kauffeldt, University of North Georgia

“Connecting with the Vast Past? Historical Imagination
and Student Engagement in the Early World Survey”

Johanna Luthman, University of North Georgia

"It's All Relative: Reflections on Historical Time Sense in History 1111"
Jeff Pardue, University of North Georgia

11:00 am to 11:15 am

Coffee Break
Hoag Student Center

11:15 am to 12:45 pm

SESSION TWO

Panel 3
HSC, Room A

Histories of Capitalism: From Early Modern Trade to Contemporary Inequality
Chair: Douglas Sofer, Maryville College

"Unlikely Friends: British America and Portugal before Independence, 1700-1775"
Jeremy Land, Georgia State University

"Obsolescence and Uneven Development: The Case of Belgium's Post-War Golden Age"
Kurt Guldentops, University of California–Los Angeles

"Convergence and Divergence in Relative Income Inequality: Global Economic Development in a World-Historical Perspective, 1820 to 2008"
Daniel Pasciuti, Georgia State University
Corey Payne, Johns Hopkins University

Panel 4
HSC, Room B

From World Wars to Cold War
Chair: Richard Byers, University of North Georgia

"The Legacy of Great War in West Africa"
John Thompson, Georgia State University

"The Third Period: Comintern and the Rise of Stalin and Hitler"
Bryant A. Wine, University of North Georgia

"Evaluation of the First Taiwan Strait Crisis and American Use of Mutual Defense Treaties in East Asia"
Anthony W. Baker, Indiana State University

12:45 pm to 1:45 pm

Lunch (on your own)

1:45 pm to 3:15 pm

SESSION THREE

Panel 5

Entangled Histories: Beyond the Confines of Nation

HSC, Room A

Chair: Ian Christopher Fletcher, Georgia State University

“Turkey of the Ottomans, Roman Greeks, and Mediterranean Diasporas that Extend to Russia: New Ways of Understanding the End of Empire”

Pam Sezgin, University of North Georgia

“Empire, the Supernatural, and Commodity in Late Victorian Britain”

Phil Guerty, University of North Georgia

“Nevruz and Turkish National Identity During Late Ottoman and Early Turkish Republican Era”

Hakki Gurkas, Kennesaw State University

“A Microcosm of Globalization, Before Globalization? The Levantine Communities of the Ottoman Empire and the Formation of Transnational Identities”

Axel B. Çorlu, Georgia Gwinnett College

Panel 6
HSC, Room B

Roundtable -- Teaching Latin America and the Caribbean in the World History Survey

Moderator: Matt Childs, University of South Carolina

“Indigenous Peoples in the Themes of 20th Century World History”

Tamara Spike, University of North Georgia

“Finding a Time and Place for the Haitian Revolution”

Erica Johnson, Francis Marion University

“Situating the Longer History of Atlantic Slavery in World History II”

Alexander Wisnoski, University of North Georgia

3:15 pm to 4:45 pm

SESSION FOUR

Panel 7
HSC, Room A

Cultural Crossings Across the Ages

Chair: Tamara Spike, University of North Georgia

“Untangling Elymian Identity through the Intersection of History and Archaeology”

William M. Balco, University of North Georgia

“Toys for the Shogun: American Gift Giving and the Quest for Trade in Japan”

Michael Laver, Rochester Institute of Technology

“Global Salsa: What Every World Historian Should Know”

Douglas Sofer, Maryville College

Panel 8
HSC, Room B

Moving the World: Social Movements and Global Change in the Twentieth Century

Chair: Robbie Lieberman, Kennesaw State University(?)

“Peace and Solidarity: The Fellowship of Reconciliation and Human Rights in Africa and America”

Zac Peterson, Georgia State University

“Framing Global Turbulence: The *Great Speckled Bird* and the Events of 1968”

Ian Christopher Fletcher, Georgia State University

“Waves across Worlds: Women’s Liberation and the Rise of Global Feminism”

Megan Lane Neary, Georgia State University

4:45 pm to 5:45 pm
President’s Dining Hall

Reception with food (ample hors d’oeuvre)

Welcome address – Dean Christopher Jespersen,
University of North Georgia

5:45 pm to 7:00 pm
President’s Dining Hall

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

“Speed Race(r) vs. the Stopped or Incarcerated-races”
Mark Driscoll, University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7

8:30 am

Registration

Young Hall

Coffee and Tea Service in Young Hall Second Floor

9:30 am to 11:00 am

SESSION FIVE

Panel 9
Young Hall 204

Transitions to Modernity: Late Nineteenth Century to Mid Twentieth Century Eurasia

Chair: Nick Di Liberto, Newberry College

“Degrees of Transition: Traditionalism versus Reform in the Imperial German Army, 1871-1914”

Matthew Guerdat, Florida State University

“Soil, Empire and History in an Age of Global Crisis:
Albert, Gabrielle and Louise Howard and the Making of
Organic Agriculture”

Daniel Klingensmith, Maryville College

“Speaking Back to Western Orientalism in the 1920 and
1930s: the old Turkey vs. the new Turkey”

Turgay Akbaba, University of North Carolina–Chapel
Hill

Panel 10
Young Hall 205

Roundtable -- Teaching World History through Film

Moderator: Ian Christopher Fletcher, Georgia State
University

“New Women, Modern Girls, Modern Women: A Gender
Lens for Teaching World History through Film, 1910s-
1940s”

Ian Christopher Fletcher, Georgia State University

“Revolutionary Time in Cinema”

Kurt Guldentops, University of California–Los Angeles

“Film & Documentary beyond the Nation”

Sungshin Kim, University of North Georgia

“Consequences of Empire: Using Film to Explore
Ancient and Modern Aspects of Imperialism”

Michael Proulx, University of North Georgia

11:00 am to 11:15 am

Coffee Break

Young Hall Second Floor

11:15 am to 12:45 pm

SESSION SIX

Panel 11
Young Hall 204

Imperialism and Empire from the Bottom Up

Chair: Ghulam Nadri, Georgia State University

“Negotiating Authority: Piracy and Imperialism in the
Persian/Arabian Gulf in the early 19th century”

Victoria Hightower, University of North Georgia

“African Colonization Will Rescue Both of Us from our
Pasts”

Eugene Van Sickle, University of North Georgia

“Worship and Tribute: How a Former Slave and a King’s Son Preserved Political and Cultural Autonomy in Oromo Territory Conquered by the Abyssinian Empire”
Ethan Key, Georgia State University

Panel 12
Young Hall 205

**Media Coverage and Cultural Controversy:
Immigration, Anti-Colonialism, and Post-
Independence Movements in the Twentieth Century**
Chair: Sara C. Jorgensen, Independent Scholar

“Forging Transnational Anti-Colonial Solidarities:
Colonial Times and the Independence Struggle in Kenya”
Catherine Odari, Spelman College

“Reporting African Success: Renata Adler’s ‘Letter From Biafra’ ”
Carrie L. Whitney, Georgia State University

“Race, Culture, and French National Identity: Changing Perceptions and the Response of African and Antillean Communities in Paris”
Dennise M. Turner, Georgia State University–Perimeter College

12:45 pm to 2:15 pm
Young Hall

**SPECIAL LUNCHTIME SESSION
(box lunch provided for attendees)**

REMEMBERING DENIS GAINTY (1970-2017)

Douglas Sofer, Maryville College
Michael Laver, Rochester Institute of Technology
Ghulam Nadri, Georgia State University
Jeremy Land & Shonda Slaughter-Wilson, Georgia State University

2:15 pm to 3:45 pm

SESSION SEVEN

Panel 13
Young Hall 204

**Empire, Peace, and War in the Twentieth-Century
Pacific World**
Chair: Michael Laver, Rochester Institute of Technology

“Envisioning Peace: Japanese Responses to Racial Tensions in the early 20th century”
Masako N. Racel, Kennesaw State University

“Memories of Friendship Amid Contention: An examination of the letters of Seichi E. Ikemoto, Japanese Peace Advocate in America 1910-1918”
Wendy Giere-Frye, Georgia State University

“Better Than Your Tonic? The Moral Collapse of British Rule in Asia”
Eduardo Mejia, Georgia State University

Panel 14
Young Hall 205

Contemporary Problems for Historians: Climate Change, Bio-Politics, Electronic Identities

Chair: Victoria Hightower, University of North Georgia

“Making and Unmaking History: The Discovery and Destruction of Historical Sites and Sources in World-Historical Perspective”
Sara C. Jorgensen, Independent Scholar, Austin TX

“Shifting Ethical Paradigms in Bioethics or Generational Myopia?”
Michele Riley, Kaplan University & Russell E. Fail, Kaplan University

“Re-narrating Digital Identity”
Deng Yi, University of North Georgia

3:45 pm
Young Hall

CLOSING REMARKS
SEWHA Officers

3:45 pm to 4:45 pm
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SEWHA Business Meeting
* This is a pivotal moment for SEWHA with the loss of our secretary Denis Gainty. All members are welcome to participate in the meeting. Thanks!

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See you in 2018!