HARVARD UNIVERSITY
HISTORY DEPARTMENT

SENIOR THESIS WRITERS' CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 3-4, 2016

***** DAY 1: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 *****

1:00-3:00 PM

Panel 1 - Premodern Empires **Lower Library**
Chair: Prof. Laurel Ulrich

Anali Alegria: "The Case of Petit Treason: Subject-hood and Citizenship for Women in Early America"
Douglas Maggs: "Elements of Colonization under Emperor Augustus: the Case of Augusta Praetoria"
Abigail Gabrieli: "'A Rule to Walke By': The Battle over Written Fundamental Law in the Seventeenth Century Anglo-Atlantic"
Sama Mammadova: "Art for the Soul: Religious Art as Restitution for Usury in Renaissance Italy"

Panel 2 - Postwar American Foreign Policy **Basement Seminar Room**
Chair: Prof. David Armitage

Nelson Barrette: "From 'Wasting Asset' to Global Partner: Black September and the Evolution of Jordan's Role in the Nixon Administration's Foreign Policy"
Wright Smith: "Pentagon Politics: Presidents, Generals, and National Defense, 1953-1963"
Henry Kennelly: "Insurrectionist Lawfare: The Dawn of a New Humanitarian Law in the Age of Decolonization"
Matt Hall: "US Sino-Soviet Intelligence and Decision-making: 1963 and 1964"

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Panel 3 - War and Revolution, 1865-1918 **Lower Library**
Chair: Prof. Penny Russell

Mira Hayward: "Private Lives and Public Voices: Political and Gender Dynamicsin the Marriage of Blanche Butler and Adelbert Ames"
Nathaniel Bernstein: "'Chinese Competition': Mary Roberts Coolidge and Economic Thought in California, 1890-1915"
Nancy Ko: "Between Liberties: French-Jewish Philanthropy in the Iranian Constitutional Revolution, 1905-1911"
Alasdair Nicholson: "For King and Country: An Examination of the Australian and Canadian Conscription Debates During the First World War"

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Panel 4 - Rethinking Republican China **Basement Seminar Room**
Chair: Prof. Arunabh Ghosh

William Sack: "The Unmaking of Japanese Manchuria: Agriculture, Neighbors, and Reckonings, (1904-1945)"
Michael Avi-Yonah: "Seeing Red: Labor Disputes and "Red Capitalists" in Shanghai, 1927-1956"
Anatol Klass: "Which China? The United Nations in East Asia and October 1, 1949"

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***** DAY 2: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 *****
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Panel 5 - The Global Interwar and its Aftermath **Lower Library**
Chair: Prof. Charles Maier

Katelyn McEvoy: "Missionary Reflections: American Women on the Colonial Middle East, 1865-1945"
William Gertler: **"**Exceptionalist Ethiopia: How Western and Self-Perceived Notions of Abyssinian Race & Civilization Impacted League of Nations Diplomacy"
Eli Davey: "The Specter of Technocracy: Habermas and the Limits of Scientific Politics"
Elijah Lee: "Football and the development of urban space in pre-1950 Istanbul"

Panel 6 - The US in Wartime and Postwar Europe **Basement Seminar Room**
Chair: Prof. Mary Lewis

Frank Tamberino: "The Sicilian Mafia and the Allied Military Government: A Criminal Renaissance"
Frederick Quesada: "US Occupation of Germany"
Dominique Luongo: "Campus Under Siege: The Impact of WWII On Harvard and Radcliffe"
Adriann Negreros: "What a Glass of Milk Can Do": An Introduction to Dr. Martha May Eliot (1891-1978)

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1:00 – 3:00 PM

Panel 7 - Global and Transnational Culture in the Twentieth Century **Lower Library**
Chair: Dr. Catherine Warner

Aaisha Shah: "Religious Politics in Pakistan: The Question of Blasphemy and Minority Rights"
Aditya Agrawal: "Birth control in late colonial India"
Christopher Read: "The World's Laboratory: India in the Age of Global Capital"

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Panel 8 - Gender, Race, and Sexuality in Twentieth-Century America **Basement Seminar Room**
Chair: Dr. Stuart Schrader

Olivia Nicholls: "Postwar Reconstruction and Retrenchment: The Dismantling of Wartime Female Identity"
Gregory Briker: "Surviving, Organizing, and Publishing in an Age of Fear: The Censorship Battles of ONE Magazine"
Emily Sartin: "Indian Princesses and Rancher's Gals: Racialized Femininity in the American Western film"
John Boyan: "Operation Exodus vs. the Boston School Committee: the making of the Boston busing crisis"

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Panel 9 - Understanding the Contemporary United States **Lower Library**
Chair: Prof. Lisa McGirr

Andrew Adler: **"**The Evolution of Political Satire on Television: When Content Transcends Party Lines"
Erin Shortell: "Broken Windows, Shuttered Doors: The Criminalization of Mental Illness in New York City, 1984-1999"
Gavin Sullivan: "Freedom of Flight: Developing and Responding to the 1978 Airline Deregulation Act"
Harrison Wexner: "G.I. Joe: Masculinity, Technology, and the 'Real American Hero'"

All participants, advisers, and moderators are invited to enjoy lunch on Friday from 12–1:00 PM in the Robinson Hall Great Space.