

# History Dissertation Prospectus Conference

January 29, 2016 ~ 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Robinson Hall

**Moderator: Jim Kloppenberg**  
**Lower Library**

9:00 - 11:00	<b>Samuel Klug</b>	The Politics of Decolonization in America, 1920-1975
	<b>Elizabeth Katz</b>	Courting American Families: The Creation and Evolution of Courts of Domestic Relations, 1910-1970
	<b>Yukako Otori</b>	Children's Rights, 1914-1959
	<b>Cary Garcia Yero</b>	Building Cubanidad: Race, Nation, and the Arts in Cuba, 1938-1962

**Moderator: Andy Gordon**  
**Basement Seminar Room**

<b>Floris Van Swet</b>	Ronin in Japan and Beyond: Unemployment and Social Dislocation in the Wake of Japan's 17th Century Unification
<b>Amin Ghadimi</b>	Asia's Lafayettes: Freedom, Rights, and the Japanese Empire, 1873-1889
<b>Subo Wijeyeratne</b>	Red Sun Rising: The Cold War, the Space Age, and the Construction of Modernity in Japan, 1935 - 2003
<b>Ryan Glasnovich</b>	Return to the Sword: Martial Identity and the Nineteenth-Century Transformation of the Japanese Police

11:00-11:15

**BREAK**

**Moderator: Cemal Kafadar**  
**Lower Library**

11:15-12:45	<b>Salmaan Mirza</b>	Merchants and Economic Ethics in the Late Ottoman Empire
	<b>Akif Yerlioglu</b>	Paracelsus in the Ottoman Marketplace: Was There a Paracelsian Breakthrough in the Ottoman Medical Discourse?
	<b>Joan Chaker</b>	Muleteers as Bandits and Mutineers: Global Capital and Social Transformation in the Ottoman Countryside

**Moderator: Kirsten Weld**  
**Basement Seminar Room**

<b>Erin Hutchinson</b>	The Willage Strikes Back: The Cultural Politics of the Nation in the Soviet Union After Stalin
<b>Joshua Freeman</b>	Print Communism: Uyghur Literary Canon Between China and the USSR
<b>Mateo Jarquin</b>	The Sandinista Revolution and the Cold War in Latin America, 1977-1990

12:45-2:00

**LUNCH**

**Moderator: Joyce Chaplin**  
**Lower Library**

2:00-4:00	<b>Sonia Tycko</b>	Persuasion and Consent in an Age of Coercion: Labor Laws and Customs in London, 1603-1688
	<b>Rachel Steely</b>	From Bioprospecting to Biodeisel: Soy Commodity Frontiers in the Twentieth Century
	<b>Paul Schmelzing</b>	The Global Genoa System, 1926-1969
	<b>Luke Willert</b>	Detective States: Crime and Countryside in the Mountain West, 1873-1893

**Moderator: Mary Lewis**  
**Basement Seminar Room**

<b>Joseph la Hausse de Lalouviere</b>	The Rise and Demise of French Colonial Slavery, 1802-1860
<b>Patrick Meehan</b>	Imagining Christendom's Frontier: Crusade, Colonization, and Christianization in the Medieval Baltic, c. 1230-1410
<b>Jake Ransohoff</b>	Vision, Punishment, and Imperial Ideology in the Byzantine World