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T.I.M.E.: Trailblazers, Innovations, Movements, Epochs
Sixteenth Annual James A. Rawley Conference in the Humanities
University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of History

Submission Deadline:

December 15, 2019

Conference Date:

March 13-14, 2020

Cost to Register:

FREE

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln History Graduate Students Association invites all advanced undergraduate and graduate students studying the humanities to participate in the Sixteenth Annual James A. Rawley Conference in the Humanities.

The Rawley Conference strives to enhance our collective understanding of the humanities. We welcome submissions from those studying the humanities and related fields, including but not limited to: History, Classical and Modern Languages, Classics and Religious Studies, English, Philosophy, Anthropology, Sociology, Environmental Studies, Ethnic Studies, Great Plains Studies, Latin American Studies, Medieval/Renaissance Studies, Women's and Gender Studies, and Digital Humanities.

While all proposals are invited, preference will be given to those which address the 2020 **theme**:

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One beauty of the humanities is its diversity of research and interpretation. This year, the Rawley Conference seeks to encourage varied examinations of five major components that are best conveyed in our thematic acronym, *T.I.M.E.: trailblazers. innovations. movements. epochs.*

This conference aims to encourage scholars to examine ordinary people who drove local, regional, national, or global social movements; intellectual and disciplinary innovations that continue to influence our lives today; and memory of past epochs that are due for critical revisitation. Applicants may choose to pursue one thematic component, or critically examine a topic through the lens of multiple elements of the theme.

For example, March 2020 marks the centenary of national women's suffrage and Women's History Month. On one potential panel, while approaches may differ between a historian, a sociologist, and a psychologist, analysis of social backgrounds for different groups of women in the United States over the past century (time, movement, trailblazers) could unite the panel. Other sessions can be similarly constructed to encourage interdisciplinary discussion under a common panel theme. This brief example illustrates how one topic can be examined from various perspectives by scholars of the humanities, and it is perspectives like these to which the Rawley Conference seeks to give voice.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Cathleen D. Cahill, Penn State University -----



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Dr. Cathleen D. Cahill is a social historian at Penn State University and a member of the Organization of American Historians Distinguished Lectureship Program. She focuses on women's working and political lives, asking how identities such as race, nationality, class, and age have shaped them. Dr. Cahill is also interested in the connections generated by women's movements for work, play, and politics, and how mapping those movements reveal women in surprising and unexpected places. One of her current projects is "Raising Our Banners: Women of Color Challenge the Mainstream Suffrage Movement." It follows the lead of feminist scholars of color calling for alternative "genealogies of feminism," using individual biographies to explore the activism of African American, Indigenous, Chinese American, and Hispana women before and after the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment.

Submission Guidelines -----

Individual papers, panels, posters, and digital projects are all equally and highly encouraged. Thinking about using a non-traditional presentation style? Please, visit our new website at <https://rawleyconference.wixsite.com/home> for a list of engaging options. We will be updating this link throughout the build-up to the conference to keep you informed.

Individual paper submissions must include a one-page abstract of 250 words, single-spaced, which includes the topic, discipline, core argument, and methodology of the project. Applicants must also provide a current, one-page CV or resume.

Interested in organizing a panel? Please visit our website and click on the "Submission Guidelines" tab under "2020 Conference" to find detailed submission instructions.

All submissions should be emailed to rawleyconference.unl@gmail.com with the subject line "Submission - UNL Rawley 2020." Within the email, please state first and last name, along with your current institution, a brief bio, any technological needs you may require (laptop, adapter, projector, etc.).

A distinguished paper prize is awarded annually. To be considered for this prize, the final paper must be submitted to the conference organizers by February 15, 2020 with the subject line, "Distinguished Paper Submission." The winner of the distinguished paper prize will be announced at the end of the conference day on Saturday, March 14, 2020.

To contact conference organizers, email William Kelly, Chair, and Elodie Galeazzi, Co-Chair, at rawleyconference.unl@gmail.com.

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