

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Graduate Student Research Conference on Latin America and the Caribbean

November 7-8, 2008, 252 Bloor Street West (OISE), Toronto

Friday, November 7, 2008		
8:00-8:45	5260 OISE	Registration Coffee/tea & pastries
8:45-9:15	5260 OISE	Welcome
9:15-11:00	Panel 1 Track A 8201 OISE	<p>Indigenous Rights, Knowledge & Land Use</p> <p><u>Discussant</u>: Prof. Robin Roth, Geography, York</p> <p><i>Introducing Adaptive Co-Management in Costa Rica: Risks & Opportunities</i> Marta Berbés, PhD Faculty of Environmental Studies, York</p> <p><i>From Entangled Encounters to Processes of Cross-fertilization: A Study on Collaborative Wildlife Conservation in Guyana</i> Tanya Chung Tiam Fook, PhD Faculty of Environmental Studies, York</p> <p><i>The Right to Use or Rightly Using the environment in El Cuyo, Ría Lagartos Biosphere Reserve, Yucatán, Mexico</i> Andréanne Guindon, MA Social Anthropology, Laval University</p> <p><i>From Crisis to Environmental Disaster: Native Agriculture and the Making of a Ruined Landscape in North-Central Tlaxcala, Mexico, 1690 – 1710</i> Bradley Skopyk, PhD History, York</p>

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9:15-11:00	Panel 1 Track B 8200 OISE	<p>Deconstructing Master Narratives</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. David Trotman, History, York</p> <p><i>Recent Anti Racial Discrimination Agendas & policies in Cuba & Mexico</i> Alejandro Campos-Garcia, PhD Sociology, York</p> <p><i>In the Land of Gold and Diamonds, Dangerous Mulattoes & Decadent Whites: European Travelers' Observations of Miscegenation & Race Stratification in Nineteenth-Century Minas Gerais, Brazil</i> Joanna K. Elrick, PhD History, Vanderbilt University</p> <p><i>Decolonizing Knowledge: Shifting the Terms of Education and Afro-Brazilian Inclusion</i> Alexandre Emboaba Da Costa, Ph, Developmental Sociology, Cornell University</p> <p><i>Radical Caribbean Subjectivity; The Master-Slave Dialectic in the Caribbean</i> Sharifa Wright, PhD Social & Political Thought, York</p>
11:15-1:00	Panel 2 Track A 8201 OISE	<p>Readings in Caribbean Literature</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Andrea Davis, Humanities, York</p> <p><i>The Poetics of Haitian Revolution Story Telling</i> David Brand, PhD History, York</p> <p><i>Reclaiming (her)story: Transnationality and the Diasporic Search for 'Home' in Ramabai Espinet's 'The Swinging Bridge' and Ryhaan Shah's 'A Silent Life'</i> Tanita Muneshwar, PhD Humanities, York</p> <p><i>Queerness in Diasporic Indo-Caribbean Literature</i> Lauren Pragg, MA Social & Political Thought, York</p>

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11:15 -1:00	Panel 2 Track B 8200 OISE	<p>Good Neighbours? Inter-state relations in the Americas</p> <p><u>Discussant</u> TBD</p> <p><i>In Need of a Paradigm Shift: An Examination of American Security Policy in Colombia</i> Alexander Caramento, MA Political Science, Waterloo</p> <p><i>Striking the aid balance: The case of Bolivia under the MAS Government</i> Sonja Killoran-McKibbin & Gabriela Ruesgas, MA Ciencias de Desarrollo (CIDES), Universidad Mayor de San Andrés</p> <p><i>“Calculated Diplomacy:” John Diefenbaker & the origins of Canada’s Cuba Policy</i> Dennis Molinaro, PhD History, University of Toronto</p> <p><i>Bolivia’s Coca Headache</i> John Roberts, MA History, UMass-Amherst</p> <p><i>The Naming and Framing of the March 2008 Colombia-Ecuador Border Dispute in an Arena of Contested Power: Terroristas Tenebrosos, Mafiosos and Imperialistas</i> Jessica A. Vorstermans, MA Conflict Studies & Human Rights, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands</p>
1:00- 2:00	LUNCH	
2:00- 3:45	Panel 3 Track A 8201 OISE	<p>Negotiating Identities</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Alan Simmons, Sociology, York</p> <p><i>Real Roma and Imaginary Gypsies: Immigration, Identity and Interculturality in Southeastern Brazil, 1936-2007</i> Brigitte Grossmann Cairus, PhD History, York</p> <p><i>Growing up Caribbean: Issues around Sexuality & Gender-Role Learning</i> Latoya Lazarus, PhD Sociology, York</p> <p><i>Yuh Nah Sih Mih Fuh True/You Don’t Really See Who I Am: The Politics of Hybrid Guyanese Racial Identity</i> Rosanne V. Purnwasie, MA Humanities, York</p>

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2:00-3:45	Panel 3 Track B 8200 OISE	<p>Past & Present Perspectives on Latin American & Caribbean Economies</p> <p><u>Discussant</u>: Prof. Ricardo Grinspun, Economics, York</p> <p><i>Port Privatization and Transshipment Success: The case of the Freeport Container Port, Freeport, Bahamas</i> Jacob Fogels, MA Geography, Planning, & Environment, Concordia</p> <p><i>The importance of minor ports in the Caribbean trade of Jamaica</i> Nadine Hunt, PhD History, York</p> <p><i>Profits from colonialism in the Americas – a semiperipheral perspective</i> Klas Rönnbäck, PhD History, Gothenburg University, Sweden</p> <p><i>Fueling Capitalism after the Peak: Heavy Oil Production in Alberta & Venezuela</i> Kevin Sutton, MA Political Science, York</p>
4:00-5:45	Panel 4 Track A 8201 OISE	<p>Music as Space of Representation</p> <p><u>Discussant</u> TBD</p> <p><i>Remixing the Sound of Freedom: Miss Lou, “Versioning” and “Othered” : Sonic Challenges to Eurocentrism</i> Mark V. Campbell, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), University of Toronto</p> <p><i>Cultures of reconciliation: the case of Jamaican dancehall gospel</i> Karen Cyrus, PhD Ethnomusicology, York</p> <p><i>The song remains the same: The ‘evolution’ of tango amid Argentina’s numerous sociopolitical tragedies</i> Alberto Munarriz, PhD Music, York</p> <p><i>The Afro-Uruguayan conventillo: The folklorization of space and blackness</i> Vannina Sztainbok, PhD Sociology, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), University of Toronto</p>

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4:00-5:45	Panel 4 Track B 8200 OISE	Inscribing Violence on the National Body <u>Discussant:</u> Alison Crosby <i>Partisans and enemies: political violence and the state of siege in Colombia, 1949-1953</i> Luis Alberto Herran Avila, Ph, Political Science, The New School for Social Research, NY <i>“Savages,” scapegoats, and sovereignty: Urban violence, borders, and femicide Guatemala City</i> Jennifer Peirce, MA Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University <i>Peace at Last? Struggles in Post-Conflict Guatemala</i> Michelle Switzer, PhD Social Anthropology, York
6:00	Performance: Memory & Testimony Zita Nyrody, MES, Faculty of Environmental Studies, York 5260 OISE	

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9:00-10:45	Panel 5 Track A 5260 OISE	<p>Culture & Social Reproduction</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Theresa Holmes, Anthropology, York</p> <p><i>Touring Spaces, Negotiating Tourism: Ethnic tourism and postcolonial agency on Lake Titicaca, Peru</i> Caitlin Emily Craven, MA Political Science, University of Victoria</p> <p><i>Brazilian Forró, Shop Culture & The Communal: Negotiating Transnational states of personhood</i> Stacy A. A. Hope, PhD Social Anthropology, St Andrew's University</p> <p><i>Reclaiming the Sacred: Implementing a Community Based Museum in Santa Maria, El Tule, Oaxaca, Mexico</i> Monica Salas, MA Museum Studies, New York University</p> <p><i>Feeding as a Force of Production and Advancement in the Andes</i> Marieka Sax, MA Anthropology, Carleton University</p>
9:00-10:45	Panel 5 Track B 8214 OISE	<p>Searching for Alternatives: Perspectives on Fair Trade & Development</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Darryl Reed, Social Science, York</p> <p><i>North-South Perspectives on Fair Trade Certification</i> Patrick Clark, MA Global Governance, University of Waterloo</p> <p><i>"ICTD, The Con of Development?" A Critical Analysis of Technology for Development within CARICOM</i> Vivienne Edward, MA IDS, Saint Mary's University</p> <p><i>The Role of the Social Economy in Local Development: The Case of Peru</i> Dan McKenzie, MA IDS, Saint Mary's University</p>

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9:00-10:45	Panel 5 Track C 5250 OISE	<p>Language as Contested Terrain</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Clive Forrester, University of the West Indies</p> <p><i>Philosophy in Spanish? The translating mission of Spanish refugees in post-revolutionary Mexico</i> Nayelli Castro Ramírez, PhD School of Translation & Interpretation, University of Ottawa</p> <p><i>Spanglish: a new language in the making?</i> Mara Reich, PhD Education, York</p> <p><i>Eating your words: The social and historical etymology of the word Cannibal</i> Leah Stewart, Humanities, York</p>
11-12:45	Panel 6 Track A 5260 OISE	<p>Indigenous agency, governance & identity</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Dr. Miguel Gonzalez, Social Science, York</p> <p><i>What is a Ladino? Changing labels of Identity in Guatemala</i> Megan Cotton-Kinch, Anthropology, York</p> <p><i>Beyond local autonomy: Ecuador's indigenous movement & its origins as a political force</i> Matthew Hawkins, MA Institute of Political Economy, Carleton University</p> <p><i>The Crisis of Indian Leadership: Authority after the Great Rebellion of the Peruvian Andes</i> David Klassen, MA History, University of Calgary</p> <p><i>New forms of invisibility: Aboriginal peoples in the Southern Cone</i> Lucas Savino, PhD Political Science, University of Western Ontario</p> <p><i>Sharing of Benefits or Enclosure of the Commons? Investigating the Compatibility of Global, National and Local Laws for the Protection of Indigenous Knowledge in Peru</i> Emily Taylor, MA IDS, Saint Mary's University</p>

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11 -12:4 5	Panel 6 Track B 8214 OISE	<p>North American Diasporic Experiences</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Michele Johnson, History, York</p> <p><i>'Mon identité c'est pas une identité Haïtienne en totale': Gender, Race & Haitian Transnational Activism in Montreal, Canada, 1960-2002</i> Grace Louise Bowers Sanders, PhD History & Women's Studies, University of Michigan</p> <p><i>Contested Entry: The first wave of Chilean exiles in Canada, 1973-1975</i> Francis Peddie, PhD History, York</p> <p><i>Latino/a Artist-Educators & their Role in Creating Authentic Democratic Spheres</i> Déborah T. Woeckner Saavedra, PhD Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino/a Studies, University at Albany (SUNY)</p>
11 -12:4 5	Panel 6 Track C 5250 OISE	<p>Rethinking Gender Relationships in the Workplace & Family</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. David Murray, Anthropology, York</p> <p><i>Household Gender Relations in Transition: Women's Decision-making Autonomy in Yoro, Honduras</i> Jenny Cockburn, PhD Sociology & Anthropology, University of Windsor</p> <p><i>Female Consciousness & Resistance in Rastafari</i> Tamara Estwick, MES, Faculty of Environmental Studies, York</p> <p><i>Gabriela's Sisters: Women Working in Cacao</i> Frank Luce, PhD Osgoode Hall Law School, York University</p> <p><i>Women's Activism & Feminism: the Argentinean Movimiento de Mujeres Agropecuarias en Lucha (MML)</i> Leticia Anabel Paulos, MA Sociology & Anthropology, University of Ottawa</p> <p><i>Embodied Displacements: Race, masculinity & precarious work after trade zones</i> Marion Traub-Werner, PhD Geography, University of Minnesota</p>
12:45 -2:00	LUNCH	

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2:00-3:45	Panel 7 Track A 5260 OISE	<p>Politics of Memory</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Mario Di Paolantonio, Education, York</p> <p><i>Remembering the Disappeared: Advantages and Disadvantages of Memory</i> Betsy Anderson, MA History, James Madison University</p> <p><i>Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo: Political and Social Activism Post 1983</i> Jennifer Fraser-Lee, MA History, University of Guelph</p> <p><i>The Art of Memory: The Historical Representation and Public Memory of the 1973 Coup D'état in Chilean Communities in Ontario</i> Christine McGuire, MA History, Carleton University</p>
2:00-3:45	Panel 7 Track B 8214 OISE	<p>Biodiversity Conservation in Costa Rica</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Howard Daugherty, Environmental Studies, York</p> <p><i>Community-Based Tourism for Sustainable Development in the Alexander Skutch Biological Corridor, Southern Costa Rica</i> Kelly Galaski, MES Faculty of Environmental Studies, York</p> <p><i>A Landscape Analysis of Forest Fragmentation & Loss in the Alexander Skutch Biological Corridor, Costa Rica</i> Aileen Rapson, MES Faculty of Environmental Studies, York</p> <p><i>Conservation Ecology of a Woodpecker Community in the Alexander Skutch Biological Corridor, Costa Rica: Identifying indicator species & conservation priorities in rural Latin America</i> Chris Saker, PhD Faculty of Environmental Studies, York</p>

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2:00-3:45	Panel 7 Track C 5250 OISE	<p>Neoliberalism, Rural Workers & the Food Crisis</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Liisa North, Political Science, York</p> <p><i>Situating Mexico Within the Food Crisis</i> Angele Charette, MA Political Science, York</p> <p><i>Campesino Economies in Guatemala: Alternatives to Neoliberalism</i> Simon Granovsky-Larsen, PhD Political Science, York</p> <p><i>Beyond the model. Policy and social construction of efficiency (Mexico)</i> David A. Solís, MA Political Science, Universidad Iberoamericaca</p> <p><i>Migration as a Development Strategy for the Mexican State: Mexican Seasonal Agricultural Workers under a Period of Neoliberal Governmentality</i> Giselle Valarezo, PhD Geography, Queen's University</p>
4:00-5:45	Panel 8 Track A 5260 OISE	<p>Searching for Alternatives: Participatory Development</p> <p><u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Eduardo Canel, Social Science, York</p> <p><i>Openness & the New Latin American Left: Understanding Change in an Era of Complexity</i> Katherine Reilly, PhD Political Science, University of Toronto</p> <p><i>Participatory Budgeting and Local Solidarity Governance in the City of Porto Alegre: The Contested Confluence of Civil Society Discourses and Participatory Practices</i> J. Ricardo Tranjan, PhD Global Governance, University of Waterloo</p> <p><i>Empowerment through participation: assessing the voices of leaders from recycling cooperatives in São Paulo, Brazil</i> Crystal Tremblay, MA, Geography, University of Victoria</p> <p><i>Building citizenship in Medellín, Colombia</i> Daniel Tubb, MA Institute of Political Economy, Carleton University</p>

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4:00-5:45	Panel 8 Track B 8214 OISE	Caribbean National Identity & Politics <u>Discussant:</u> Prof. Viviana Patroni, Social Science, York <i>The Contribution of the Concepts of “Political Religion” & “Generic Fascism” to an Interpretation of Pedro Albizu Campos’ Nationalism in 1930s Puerto Rico</i> Juri Bottura, MA Latin American Studies, Vanderbilt University <i>‘You will have only yourselves to blame’: On the Collision of Risk, Fear, Race, and Class in Contemporary Trinidadian Politics</i> Sacha Geer, PhD Anthropology, McMaster <i>Adventures in Broadcasting the Bahamian National Identity 1970 – 1974</i> Edward Minnis, MA History, Carleton