

Call for Papers

Citizenship in Flux: Migration and Exclusion in World History, 1750-2018 2nd Annual Graduate Student Conference of the UCSC Center for World History

Friday, April 12, 2019 at UC Santa Cruz

Keynote Speaker: **Anita Casavantes Bradford**

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The rise of nativist or nationalist movements in many countries and the closing of borders to migrants seeking refuge from persecution, war, and violence calls into question the world historical context of migration, borders, and political belonging. This conference queries citizenship and borders across time and region to make sense of their implications for citizens, non-citizens, subjects, refugees, and exiles in world history. We welcome broad definitions of “border,” “citizenship,” and “migration” to include boundaries that migrate even when people themselves do not, citizenships that are defined by entities other than the state, and migrations that don’t require physical movement (eg. movement among identities that can affect citizenship, like race or religion).

The UC Santa Cruz Center for World History invites proposals from graduate students from a variety of fields whose papers or complete panels address any of the following:

- **Identity:** How have race, gender, religion, class, ethnicity, age, sexuality, and other identities affected historical interpretations of citizenship, subjecthood, and belonging for people in the past or present, and/or how have these factors affected one’s capacity for movement? Papers focusing on intersectionality are especially welcome.
- **Place:** How has one’s physical place in the world shaped their citizenship, or, indeed, produced a sense of citizenship on one’s behalf by dominant, hegemonic forces? We invite papers that consider historical geographies, both natural and constructed, especially those that do so from a borderlands, transnational, or world history perspective.
- **Citizenship and Migrations:** In what ways has citizenship or subjecthood changed for people in the past or present? How have borders and ideas about citizenship been constructed and how have they fluctuated over time? What has motivated migrations historically?
- **Politics and Political Movements:** How are migrants vilified for political capital, or used to consolidate the base of political elites? What are the factors that have driven negative or exclusionary policies and how do these factors differ transnationally? How have people included in and excluded from citizenship responded to the politics of migration?

We also invite scholarly participation from those in non-historical fields whose papers take citizenship or belonging, borders, or migration as their central topic (especially papers that focus on non-U.S. geographies).

Please send a 250-word abstract and a one-page CV in PDF format to cwh@ucsc.edu no later than January 22, 2019.