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12TH ANNUAL ETHNIC AND PLURALISM STUDIES GRADUATE RESEARCH CONFERENCE: SUMMARY AND PHOTOS

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EXTREMELY LOW TEMPERATURES OUTSIDE, HEATED DISCUSSION INSIDE.

The 12th Annual Ethnic and Pluralism Studies Graduate Research Conference, hosted by our R.F. Harney Program was held this year on January 31 and February 1, 2019 at the Munk School Observatory Site. Despite frigid temperatures, a very large audience participated in the conference and helped make it a most invigorating event.



The student organizing committee, comprised of Yu-Chen Chen (CERES), Lynda Chubak (Department of Anthropology), Eunice Kays (Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy), Lucy El-Sherif (CTL/OISE) and Viveka Ichikawa (Factor Inwentash Faculty of Social Work) welcomed 17 presenters and 5 discussants, as well as speakers for the keynote and closing lectures.

Here is the summary of the two-day event.

DAY ONE – JANUARY 31, 2019



After opening remarks by Prof. Jeffrey G. Reitz, Harney Program Director, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, we began the conference with Session 1 "Education and Integration"

Discussant: Prof. Diane Farmer (OISE Social Justice Education, and Centre de Recherche en Education Franco-Ontarienne)

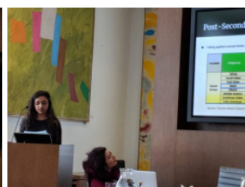
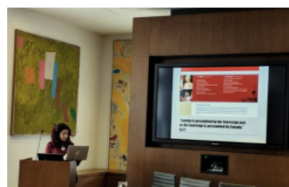
Chair: Prof. Jeffrey G. Reitz (Harney Program Director, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy)

Lucy El-Sherif (University of Toronto, Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, PhD program)

"Off with her Head!" *The Citizenship Study Guide and the Terrain of the Citizen*

Antona Christus-Ranjan (University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, MPP Program)

Institutional Racism in the Education System



SESSION 2 "Pathways to Multiculturalism"

Discussant: Prof. Laura Bisailon (Political Science, Interdisciplinary Centre for Health & Society, University of Toronto)

Chair: Lucy El-Sherif (University of Toronto, Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, PhD program)

Paul De Silva (Ryerson University of Toronto, Department of Communications and Culture, PhD program)

Cultural Diversity in Narrative Screen Media in Canada. Legislative Intentions and Current Realities for Screen Media Artists from Diasporic Communities of Color – Why the Gap?

Jennifer Guyver (McGill University, Department of Religious Studies, PhD program)

Between Totemism and Secularism: a Durkheimian explanation of the controversy of the crucifix in the National Assembly

Shalini Ramgoolam (University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, MPP program)

The Social and Economic Impacts of Hybridization in Trinidad and Tobago

Francisco Rivera (Université de Montréal, Department of Sociology, PhD program)

Two odonyms, one sculpture: The public memory of Chilean political violence in Canadian urban contemporary materiality

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The afternoon of Day One featured a keynote lecture: *"Acknowledgment of Indigenous Lands, Treaties and People: Too much? Or not enough?"* by Prof. Rima Wilkes (Sociology, University of British Columbia).

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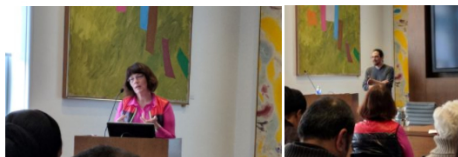
Acknowledgment of Indigenous Lands, Treaties and Peoples: Too much? Or not enough?

January 31, 2019 2:00-4:00pm

Boardroom, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy
(Observatory Site, 315 Bloor Street West, University of Toronto)



The lecture was followed by commentary from Prof. Cheryl Suzack (University of Toronto, Department of English and Centre for Indigenous Studies) and Prof. Douglas Sanderson (University of Toronto, Faculty of Law and Faculty Advisor, Aboriginal Law Students Association).



DAY TWO (FEBRUARY 1, 2019)



SESSION 3 "Gender"
 Discussant: Prof. Emily Laxer (Sociology, Glendon College, York University)
 Chair: Yu-Chen Chen (University of Toronto, CERES, MA program)
 Viveka Ichikawa (University of Toronto, Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, MSW program)
LGBTQ Newcomer Women's Journey in Canada for Building Comprehensive Sense of Self

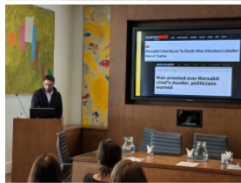


and belonging
 Natalie Krzywiecki (University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, MPP program)
'And in the process they both inscribe a vision of home': The Significance of Female Epistolary Networks in the Reclamation of Identity for Nineteenth-Century Female Immigrants
 Alex Verman (University of Toronto, Department of Political Science, MA program)
Diasporic Nationalism and the Queer Question: Intimacy and Envelopment on Tagit-Birbright



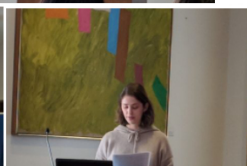
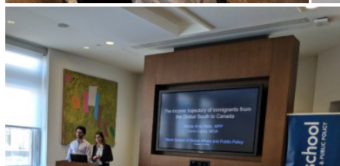
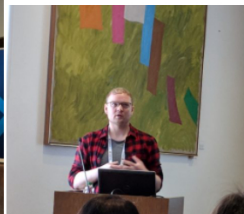
SESSION 4 "Identity"

Discussant: Prof. Taheen Shams (Sociology, University of Toronto)
 Chair: Viveka Ichikawa (University of Toronto, Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, MSW program)
 Ojo Agi (University of Toronto, Women Gender Studies Institute, MA, program)
We Need New Names: Transcultural Identity Formation among Black Second-Generation African-Canadians
 Lynda Chubak (University of Toronto, Department of Anthropology, PhD program)
From courting to relying: A survey of research exploring ethnic and racial classifying within national censuses
 Karol Czuba (University of Toronto, Department of Political Science, PhD program)
The Effects of Electoral District Population Composition on Ethnic Identity Mobilization and Intergroup Alliance-making: Evidence from Marsabit in Northern Kenya
 Valeria Vergani (University of Toronto, Department for the Study of Religion, MA program)
Writing Indigenous Temporality: Anthropological Approaches, Recent Critiques, and Methodological Considerations



SESSION 5 "Policy and Integration"

Discussant: Prof. Rupa Banerjee (Ted Rogers School of Business Management, Ryerson University)
 Chair: Eunice Kays (University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, MPP program)
 Yu-Chen Chen (University of Toronto, Centre for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, MA program)
Past and Present Suspect Minorities in Canada and the Evolution of Canadian Immigration Acts
 Nicholas Alexand Rymal Fraser (University of Toronto, Department of Political Science, PhD program)
Shared Heuristics: How Organisational Culture Defines Asylum Policy
 Nikola Broic Bello (Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, MPP program) and Lucia Lopez (University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, MGA program)
The income trajectory of immigrants from the Global South to Canada
 Marie-Eve Melanson (McGill University, School of Religious Studies, PhD program)
Being True to Ourselves: Identity and Difference in Québec's Public Policy





The closing lecture "Diasporas, Dual Loyalties, and Suspect Minorities: the (Canadian) Jewish Case" was given by Prof. Morton Weinfeld (McGill University, Department of Sociology). This lecture was initially scheduled on November 1, 2018.

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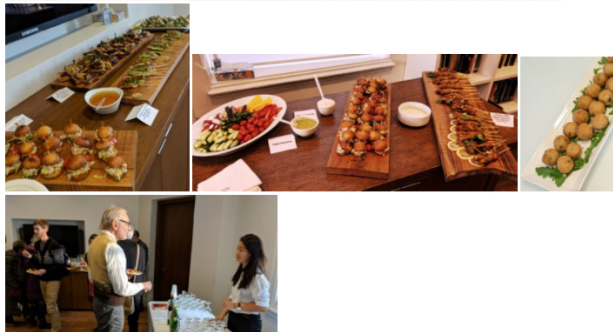
Morton Weinfeld

Diasporas, Dual Loyalties, and Suspect Minorities: the (Canadian) Jewish Case

February 1, 2019 2:30-4:30pm
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The conference came to an end with a reception. Catering was provided by Acqua Fine Foods.



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