



GLOBAL HISTORY

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THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL BERLIN GLOBAL HISTORY STUDENT CONFERENCE

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In recent years, global history has become one of the most ambitious and most promising strands of historical research. The approach specifically targets relations, flows, and actors which transcend borders that for a long time had been assumed to be stable and impenetrable. It calls attention to the importance of transnational, trans-regional or trans-local connections and highlights the relevance of postcolonial theory to historiography.

But how can we actually "do global history" in practical terms? What are useful methods and techniques for researching and writing from a global perspective? How can global history complement but also challenge other disciplines; conversely, what critiques and new ideas can other disciplines bring to global history?

We - a group of students in the MA Global History at Humboldt University Berlin and Free University Berlin - would like to invite you to discuss these issues with us at the Global History Student Conference in Berlin by presenting your research projects to fellow students. This year the keynote speaker will be Prof. Michael Goebel, author of *Anti-Imperial Metropolis* (2015), winner of the AHA Jerry Bentley prize in World History (2016).

The field of global history is not limited to the modern period, and we invite scholars of the early modern, medieval or classical periods to consider submitting their research. Moreover, global history not only challenges geographical borders, it also tends to transcend disciplinary demarcations. Accordingly, we welcome proposals from any academic field that has points of contact with history (e.g. art history, area studies, social sciences, etc). Furthermore, since global history has only been part of the academic landscape for a few years (at least in terms of institutions and study programmes) we are all more or less beginners in this quest for interconnections, entanglements and conjunctures. We also explicitly invite undergraduate students: if you've ever written a paper or essay in this field, this is the perfect place to present it! The goal is to exchange experiences and to work together in an open and non-competitive way.

The Global History Student Conference will take place at the Friedrich-Meinecke-Institut in Berlin. The language of the conference is English, therefore please write your submissions in English. To register for the conference please follow this three step application process:

- Submit the **registration form** by the **1st of February 2017**.
www.globalhistorystudentconference.wordpress.com/application
- Upload your **300 word abstract** as a PDF file by the **1st of February 2017**.
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The abstract should be entitled according to the following format:
SurnameFirstnameShortTitle.pdf
- On acceptance of your paper, please send us a 2000 word **summary** for us to review by **31st of March 2017**.

We will be able to offer some financial support for transport and accommodation to participants coming from outside of Berlin. Please see our website for further details.

Conference papers can also be submitted for publication in our online academic journal ‘Global Histories’. To read our report of the 2015 conference and read some of the papers presented, check out our first issue at www.globalhistories.com. The 2016 conference report will be published in the next issue of ‘Global Histories’.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at **globalhistorystudentconference@gmail.com**

We are looking forward to hearing from you!
Your Conference Team

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