SIXTH ANNUAL
STUDENT HISTORY CONFERENCE
APRIL 30, 2010

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Welcome to the sixth annual Student History Conference. Little did we expect seven years ago when we planned our first version of this event how successful it would become. We knew it would offer us a chance to showcase the talents of our students and acknowledge their academic endeavors. What we did not realize, however, was how it would shape and change the culture and calendar of the department. It has become the capstone of our academic year, offering faculty, students—both majors and non-majors—and parents an opportunity to celebrate what has been achieved in the three previous quarters. For faculty, this conference offers us both the opportunity to observe how our curricular offerings and assignments resonate through student work, and to mentor our advisees in the processes of sharing one’s findings publicly in a conference setting, one of the fundamental building blocks in the dissemination of historical knowledge. I will not be so bold as to speak to what our student presenters and their guests are thinking on this day. I will state, however, that we are proud of you and what you have accomplished. We encourage you to build upon this experience, as it is not the culmination of your academic experience but a building block for future endeavors. Good luck today, and please take the opportunity to encourage your friends and colleagues to participate next year.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Warren C. Schultz
Vincent de Paul Associate Professor of History
and Chair, Department of History

STUDENT PRESENTERS

Lucie Adler
John Amdor
Dionysios Aridas
Katherine Bober
Yevgeniy Bolotnikov
Katharine Boyd
Mike Carroll
Ashley DeAngeles
Paul DiMasi
Kelly Doyle
Laura Drucker
Christopher Gerardi
Ryan Keifer
Laura Kosrow
Jonathan Lande
Devin Leigh
Dana LoGalbo
Jamie Mandolini
Anne Nettleton
Christian Powills
Sam Shenassa
Samuel Walker
Daniel Waterbury
Jack Whalen

A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

This is always a special time in our academic year. The annual student history conference is when we, as a department, celebrate our students (intrepid historians, all), their work and accomplishments. This is a moment when we take note of our new and emerging student-scholars…and, when we note, with satisfaction and pride, the further development of our returning student-scholars.

On behalf of the Student Conference Committee, I want to thank those who have helped make our work relatively easy: the history faculty who teach the courses, assign and grade the papers which led to the conference presentations you will attend today, the members of the paper selection committee who read through dozens of paper submissions, the members of the conference planning committee who organized the event, our student assistants who supported us generally, Ian Petchenik (who handled all of our graphics and technology and everything else) and Onie Green-Givens (who placed all of our orders and kept us all honest). A special thanks, too, to Dan Goffman who initiated this conference six years ago and to Warren Schultz who, as our chair and colleague, has supported this endeavor throughout.

To our students, we hope that you take some time to support your peers, listen to the products of their labors, and be a part of their experience. To families and friends, welcome! You have encouraged our students, and we hope you will spend the day with us and introduce yourselves to us. Enjoy!

Eugene Beiriger
Associate Professor of History
Chair, Student Conference Committee
Emilio Kouri
Associate Professor of History
University of Chicago

Emilio Kouri’s main scholarly interest is in the social and economic history of rural Mexico since Independence. He is the author of *A Pueblo Divided: Business, Property, and Community in Papantla, Mexico*. It tells the story of the strife-ridden transformation of rural social relations in the Totonac region of Papantla during the course of the nineteenth century, paying particular attention to how the progressive development of a campesino-based international vanilla economy changed and ultimately undermined local forms of communal landholding.

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His current research project is an interdisciplinary study of the idea of the “Indian pueblo” in 19th and 20th century Mexican thought, law, and political discourse. Using modern Mexico as a case study, this book examines the origins and evolution of two deeply entrenched ideas about the character of indigenous communal organization: harmony and cohesion as defining features of Indian village social relations, and communal land tenure as the natural expression of this inherent cultural solidarity. Where did these unsubstantiated ideas about Indian culture and sociability come from? How and why did they become so influential? Part one, an intellectual history, traces the philosophical assumptions underpinning the analysis of “native communities” in early sociology and anthropology. Part two, an archival-based socio-political history, describes how these conceptions shaped 20th century Mexican social thought, agrarian reform, and Indian policy.

He teaches seminars on land reforms, rural social movements, and the history of agrarian thought, as well as courses on Latin American and Latino history, and is Director of the Katz Center for Mexican Studies.

Biography courtesy University of Chicago. Available at http://history.uchicago.edu/faculty/kouri.shtml.

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The conferences have averaged about twenty student papers annually over the years and have marked the occasion by submit their papers, support them by working with them on revisions, then serve as judges for selection to conference panels, choose the best papers for recognition, and chair the panels throughout the conference day.

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The DePaul University Student History Conference

Now in its sixth year, the Student History Conference began at the initiative of Dr. Daniel Goffman (then chair) and the History Department, as a way to provide majors and graduate students with the opportunity to present their research to their peers and professors in a formal setting. The idea was to emulate, on a smaller scale, the kind of conferences at which practicing scholars present their ideas and the results of their studies.

Participants in the Fifth Annual Student History Conference

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The keynote speaker, Emilio Kouri, Associate Professor of History at the University of Chicago, has made significant contributions to the field of Latin American history. His research focuses on the social and economic history of rural Mexico, with a particular emphasis on the transformation of rural social relations and the impact of international trade, such as the vanilla industry, on communal landholding.

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In addition to his scholarly work, Kouri is actively involved in teaching seminars on land reforms, rural social movements, and the history of agrarian thought. He also leads courses on Latin American and Latino history and serves as the Director of the Katz Center for Mexican Studies.
**Conference Schedule**

**9:00—9:20 Welcoming Reception**
Student Center, Third Floor Lobby
Continental Breakfast Provided
Opening Remarks by Warren Schultz, Chair, Department of History

**9:30—10:45 First Panel Session**
Chicago in History
Student Center 312
Chair and Discussant: Edward Udovic
Dionysios Aridas, "Why These Greeks in Chicago"
Laura Kosrow, "Two Voices of DePaul University: Campus Press in the 1960s"
Paul DiMasi, "A Century of Progress"

The American City
Student Center 313
Chair and Discussant: Colleen Doody
Dana LoGalbo, "Racism in San Francisco’s Reconstruction, 1906-1908"
Kelly Doyle, “Assimilation with Integrity: Irish Culture and Bostonian Society:”
Katherine Bober, "The Burning Fire: Changes in American Labor as a Result of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire"

The Soviet State in Literature and Media
Student Center 314B
Chair and Discussant: Brian Boeck
Yeugeniy Bolotnikov, "Images of Khrushchev in Official Speeches and Satire"
Katharine Boyd, "Representations of America in Komsomolskaya Pravda 1953-1968"

**11:00—12:15 Second Panel Session**
History through Unconventional Sources
Student Center 312
Chair and Discussant: Thomas Mockaitis
Ryan Keifer, " ‘A Hymn to Him’: Gender and Depictions of ‘Woman’ in Later Fifth-Century Athenian Drama"
Samuel Walker, "Failed Cartographies: Hungarian Revisionism and Cartographic Production"
Daniel Waterbury, "Oil, Communism, and the United States Involvement in the 1953 Overthrow of the Iranian Government"

American Slavery and the Civil War
Student Center 313
Chair and Discussant: Howard Lindsey
Anne Nettleton, "All Men Were Created Equal: The Anti-slavery Movement and its Correlation to the Second Great Awakening"
Mike Carroll, "Those Damned Black-Hatted Fellows’: How the Iron Brigade Won Their Reputation"
Devin Leigh, "Steal Away from Slavery: An Examination of the Resistive Power of the Slave Song"

Gender and Communism
Student Center 314B
Chair and Discussant: Roshanna Sylvester
John Amdor, “The Bottle on the Silver Screen: Alcohol Use and Masculinity in Russian Films of the Late Soviet Era and its Impact on Society"

**Conference Schedule**

**PHI ALPHA THETA INDUCTION CEREMONY**

Induction of New Members

**NEW MEMBERS**

Elizabeth Amato  
Linora Nissan  
John Amdor  
Thomas Peabody  
Dionysios Aridas  
Cassandra Rambo  
Kimberly Bauer  
Adrianna Rivera  
Keith Campion  
Angelique Schuler  
John Fabian  
James Solomon  
Erica Hickey  
Vanessa Steltenpohl  
Courtney Hindo  
Maria Vuolo  
Devin Leigh  
Daniel Waterbury  
Dana LoGalbo  
John (Jack) Whalen  
Jamie Mandolini  
Courtney Wilson  
Dominic Morimoto  
Fazila Kabahita  
Ross Moses  
Matthew Kalina  

**Awards Ceremony**  
5:30—6:30 Student Center 314

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
Lucy Rinehart, Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

**Presentation of Awards**  
Eugene Beiriger
- Awards for Best Conference Papers
- Recognition of Graduating Seniors for Outstanding Achievement in History
- Presentation of the Albert Erlebacher-Cornelius Sippel Award

**Honorees**
- Mark Bychowski
- Justin Curciarello
- Ashley Jorn
- Justin Kman
- Dana LoGalbo
- Kathryn O’Neill
- Jason Ryan
- Margareta Veltri
- Samuel Walker

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**Conference Schedule**

Laura Drucker, “Rabotnitsa in the Khrushchev Era: The Ideal Soviet Woman, the Real Soviet Woman, and the Conflict Between Public and Private Space”

Christian Powills, “No Coward Plays Hockey’: Soviet Hockey and the Expression of Masculinity through Sport”

**12:30—2:00 Lunch**

All paper presenters are invited to join the History Department faculty and Dr. Emilio Kouri for lunch in Student Center 220.

**2:15—3:30 Keynote Address**

“Indians and Nation in Modern Mexico”  
Student Center 314B  
Emilio Kouri  
University of Chicago

**3:45—5:15 Third Panel Session**

**The Making of America**  
Student Center 312

Chair and Discussant: Ellen Eslinger

Jack Whalen, “Proffering A Need: The Colonial Newspaper and the Removal of British Troops from Boston”

Sam Shenassa, “Debilitated and Shackled: The Religious Views of James Madison”

Lucie Adler, “A gold chain, or a wooden leg. We’ll stand by you’: The Intertwined Fates and Consequent Partnership of Colonists and Pirates in Colonial America”

**5:30—6:30 Awards and Phi Alpha Theta Induction Ceremony**

The American State in Action  
Student Center 313

Chair and Discussant: Benton Williams

Ashley DeAngeles, “Kill the Indian, Save the Man’: The Legacy of Native American Boarding Schools”


Christopher Gerardi, “A House Divided: The Federalist Party and the Presidential Election of 1800”

Careers in History  
Student Center 314A

Members of the Career Center
Welcome from the Chair

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