TWENTY SEVENTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS
Assembly Meeting
COGS Regular Session
October 7, 2019, 6:30 p.m., HCB 103
Agenda

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

Petitions into the Assembly: Alan Crutchfield (Education), Becan Henninghan (Education)

Special Introductions and Student Comments:

Messages from Student Government:

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs:

Elections:
  • Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs

Report of Officers:
  • The Report of the Speaker
  • The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
  • The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs
  • The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications

Committee Report:
  • C-SAC:
  • Internal Affairs:
  • Student Advocacy:
  • Student Affairs:

Funding Requests:
  • Bill 21: Neuroscience Graduate Student Association
  • Bill 22: Student Association for Religious Studies

Unfinished Business: NONE

New Business:
Round Table:

Adjournment:

Next Meeting:

Monday, October 21, 6:30 PM, HCB 103

**Fall 2019**
Monday, November 4, 6:30 PM, HCB 103
Monday, November 18, 6:30 PM, HCB 103
Monday, December 2, 6:30 PM, HCB 103
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Call to Order: 6:38

Pledge of Allegiance: Walton


REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVE LATE, EXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED: None

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Blake-Hedges moved to approve, Brinkman second; Minutes are approved.

Petitions into the Assembly: Robert Creigh (Music), Jean-Francois Cheuwa (Arts & Sciences), Jacqueline LaBayne (Criminology & Criminal Justice), Tiffani Mendez (Arts & Sciences)

Special Introductions and Student Comments: Megan Crowe, Career Liaison to Graduate and Pre-Graduate Students discussed a survey that graduate students could participate in to give FSU a better understanding of ways to serve the graduate student population.

Messages from Student Government: None

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs: None

Elections:
- Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
  There were no nominations. Speaker O’Neill explains the judicial affairs position for representatives that may want to nominate at the next meeting.

Report of Officers:
- The Report of the Speaker:
Speaker O’Neill: while serving as a graduate liaison was able to publish ITS Voice of the Community packet, will be submitted to ITS governance council within a week and will influence the 5-year plan. Represented COGS at the FSU Childcare marshmallow challenge and it went well. Will have to follow-up to receive approved pictures from the daycare.

- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance:**
  Deputy Speaker Blake-Hedges: the financial report can be found on page three of the bill packet.

- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs**
  None.

- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications**
  Representative Morgan: pictures from the COGS Social are now posted on Facebook and the recruitment drive to get more representatives is going well.

Committee Report:
- **C-SAC:** No requests.
- **Internal Affairs:** Has not met.
- **Student Advocacy:** Has not met.
- **Student Affairs:** Has not met.

Funding Requests:
- **Bill 18: Music Theory Society**- Bill was presented by Representative Morgan. **Q & A:** Demirsoy: why from COGS Unallocated? Speaker O’Neill: funding requests always come from COGS Unallocated. Fisher: Is this $1,500 inclusive of all travel fees? Representative Morgan: Yes. Representative Oloye: Do you have a speaker? How are they picked? Music Theory Society representative: Yes, they are picked by a blind review process for proposals and presenters. Representative Oloye: what was last years’ turn out? Music theory Society representative: There were about 40-50 people. Speaker O’Neill ends Q&A and moves to pro/con. **PRO-** Demirsoy: we have funded them before, this is a well-run program. Walton: I think they deserve funding because they have done a good job of offering this opportunity to FSU students and have done due diligence by seeking funding from other places. Shahbandeh – they have done all their work to prepare this bill appropriately. **CON-** none.

Closing statement provided by Representative Morgan. Representative Morgan motions to approve. Demirsoy seconds. Bill 18 passes in a vote of 12 – 0 – 4; **Keynote Speaker: $1,500.**

- **Bill 19: Art Therapy Association**- Bill was presented by Rep Blake-Hedges. **Q & A:** Oloye: how does this travel represent FSU? Art Therapy Representative: we use flyers and other materials to represent the Art therapy association and the university and we will be tabling at the event. Representative Solano: is this conference different from the conference your organization hosts? Art Therapy Rep: yes. Solano: will you be hosting that conference again? Art therapy Rep: yes. Blake-Hedges: last year COGS did not fund their travel bill, but they have worked hard this year to ensure that this bill is within all the appropriate guidelines. Oloye: will you be doing anything else in addition to tabling? Art Therapy Rep: we will be hosting an alumni night and there will be other events. Demirsoy: how were the travelers chosen? Art Therapy Rep: I will be going and the treasurer and two first year students who will be leading this travel next year. Carolyn Harris: Permission to interject. Speaker O’Neill: granted. Carolyn: it is up to y’all to decide on if you want to pay for checked bags, but meal reimbursement is not fundable. **PRO-** Solano: they will be tabling so it is good for FSU to be represented. Demirsoy: FSU Art Therapy
The group agreed that the bill is one of the best in the nation, so we should support it. CON-Shahbandeh: I do not believe we should pay for the checked bags for materials because it can fit in their carry-on bags. Solano: Motion to Amend - strike lodging and food and change transportation to $72 and include one checked bag (i.e., alter checked bag to $30); Representative Morgan seconds amendment. Oloye: objection – we should pay for checked bag for two-ways. Solano retracted previous amendment. Solano: Motion to Amend - strike lodging and food and change transportation to $72 and include one checked bag two ways (i.e., alter checked bag to $60); Morgan seconds. Nelson objection – they deserve the full amount for checked bags. Amendment fails in a vote of 4 – 7 – 4; Solano: Motion to Amend - strike lodging and food and change transportation to $72 and keep 4 checked bags; Representative Walton seconds. Amendment passes with a vote of 11-1-4. Representative Solano motions to approve Bill 19. Representative Chiodi seconds. Bill 19 passes with a vote 10-2-4. 

**Group Travel: $1,292.**

- Bill 20: Representative Blake-Hedges introduces Bill 20. Q & A- Solano: these periods are self-imposed, is there a reason for that? Speaker O'Neill: to facilitate fairness in the application process. Solano: for Nov-Feb what will we do if we run out of money then? Blake-Hedges: the reason we are doing this is not because we have too many people, it is because we already said yes to their request thinking we had the money, this is due to a technical error. Solano: are the grants usually $200? Blake-Hedges: $200 or $500 but the grant funding depends on the amount requested, not a flat fee. Oloye – would it be better to take this from COGS unallocated? Blake-Hedges – there already is a deficit in the next period but the next period is already higher than this past period. Speaker O'Neil: it is more appropriate to take this from the Travel Grant funds because we would be mixing funds if we took it from unallocated. Solano: we could move it from unallocated if we wanted? O'Neil – it is possible but we not within the spirit of the allocations. PRO- Solano: these students were already told they would receive funding so we should fund this. Fisher: I agree, we do not want the students to lose faith in COGS. Demirsoy: we should keep unallocated for student body and use the travel funding period for this. CON- none. Solano motions to approve Bill 20. Shahbandeh seconds. Bill 20 passes with a vote of 11 – 1 – 4. 

**Travel Grants: $1,164.**

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**
- Fisher: Discussed Grad World FSU and how this is a project being supported by the Dean of Graduate Studies and Billy Francis. The purpose was to garner support for COGS members submitting videos for Grad World FSU to represent COGS in this endeavor and may be another way we can continue the effort to recruit future members of COGS. More information can be gathered by contacting Rep Fisher about this project.
- Time was taken to celebrate the contribution Carolyn Harris has made during her stewardship as the advisor for COGS. She has faithfully stood by COGS during her tenure and her presence will be missed.

**Round Table:** Blake-Hedges, Book, Brinkman, Chiodi, Demirsoy, Fisher, Morgan, Nelson, O'Neil, Oloye, Shahbandeh, Solano, Walton. Committees need to have met at least once before the next meeting.

**Adjournment:** 8:03 PM

**Next Meeting:**
- Monday, October 7, 6:30 PM, HCB 103
Fall Meetings
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Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

27th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 21

Sponsored by: Representative Fisher

Date: Monday, October 7th, 2019

Amount: $5,000

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Neuroscience Graduate Student Association

Purpose & Description: To fund 2019-2020 events hosted by the Neuroscience Graduate Student Association, including Guest Lecture luncheons, a Graduate Research Day breakfast, the Rushton Lecture Series, The Smith Lecture, and community outreach events. These events are open to the entire campus, including but not limited to undergraduate and graduate students from the Neuroscience programs, post-doctoral fellows, faculty and staff. Guest Lecture Luncheons tend to attract 50-80 people total per event, while our lecture series tend to attract upward of 100 people per event. Lecture events as well as lecture series are a tradition of the Graduate Program in Neuroscience and have been ongoing for more than half a decade.

Itemized Expenditures:

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Total: 5,000
WHO WE ARE – PURPOSE OF NGSA

NGSA provides an avenue for academic, professional, and social activities to the graduate students of the interdisciplinary Program in Neuroscience at Florida State University. Our program includes faculty and students across campus from the departments of Biological Science, Psychology, the College of Medicine, Institute of Molecular Biophysics, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, and Mathematics. The main goals of this organization are to facilitate academic and professional development of its members, and to promote collegiality and social interaction among the students and faculty of the Program in Neuroscience, and to foster public awareness of the importance of the brain and the benefits of brain research through outreach to the local community.

BUDGET REQUEST

The presented Budget reflects the budget request for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Over the past five years, we have requested funding from COGS to support the list of growing Neuroscience events as our program progressively grows and our events attract more people across various disciplines, not limited to Neuroscience.

BENEFITS TO FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY FROM THE ACTIVITIES PLANNED BY NGSA

- Direct educational benefit by attending public lectures from invited guest speakers; experts in their field of study. Knowledge acquired during these public lectures enhances research being conducted at FSU and presented at conferences regionally, across the country, and abroad.
- Foster communication and possible collaborations with other universities.
- Increase collegiality within the Program in Neuroscience, and across departments and colleges
- Reach out to the public to raise awareness about Neuroscience, to increase awareness about research conducted at FSU, and the commitment of the FSU student body to scientific education at all age levels

TYPE OF EVENTS: All events are open to all (Undergrads, grads, post-docs, and faculty).

ADVERTISEMENT

- Web: http://www.neuro.fsu.edu (go to Quick Links: Current Events Calendar)
- Flyers (Where? Psychology, King, BRF, College of Medicine, BioUnit 1, etc.)
- Email distribution list (anybody can be added)

FUNDING SOURCES

- Foundation money
- Science Corporations (e.g., VWR, BioRAD)
- Local Vendors (e.g., Publix, Walmart, Winn Dixie)
- Society for Neuroscience Chapter Grant
- Bake Sales
- Co-Sponsor Events with another RSO (e.g., Student Interest Group in Neurology, SIGN)
- Teaching fee for OLLI (Osher Life-long Learning Institute) course
BUDGET OVERVIEW

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OUTLINE OF BUDGET PACKAGE

1. **EXTERNAL SPEAKERS**
   1A. **RUSHTON LECTURE SERIES**
   1B. **NEUROSCIENCE COLLOQUIUM SERIES**
     I. INVITED SPEAKERS
     II. DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE
     III. JAMES C. SMITH LECTURE

2. **GRAD STUDENT DEDICATED EVENTS**
   2A. GRADUATE RESEARCH DAY

3. **FSU OUTREACH EVENTS**
   3A. BRAIN BEE
   3B. BRAIN FAIR

1. **EXTERNAL SPEAKERS**
   1A. **RUSHTON LECTURE SERIES**

   The Rushton Lectures Series is named for the distinguished neuroscientist W.A.H. Rushton, formerly a regular visitor to FSU. It features internationally prominent neuroscientists in colloquia and/or symposia. Formal and informal interaction with these internationally recognized experts is an important part of the Neuroscience Program’s contributions to the academic environment at Florida State University.

   **TOPIC AND INVITED SPEAKERS**
   Speakers visit for 1 week throughout the Academic Year
   **Special topic selected by committee in Spring 2020**
   Speaker selection occurs after topic is established

   **BUDGET**

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I. NEUROSCIENCE COLLOQUIUM SERIES

I. INVITED SPEAKERS
Weekly colloquium series: Invited speaker gives Colloquium talk on Wednesday afternoon and Lunch Colloquium for graduate students on Thursday.

Example of Expense from Previous Years for One Speaker

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II. JAMES C. SMITH LECTURE
Extremely notable figure in the field of Neuroscience selected by an independent advisory council

Spring 2020
TBA

Budget

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2A. GRADUATE RESEARCH DAY
Day of oral and poster presentations—highlighting graduate students’ research.
Includes presentation by Distinguished Psych Graduate (TBA)

BUDGET
### 3. FSU OUTREACH EVENTS

#### 3A. FSU OUTREACH EVENT: NORTH FLORIDA BRAIN BEE
Live Q&A competition that tests the neuroscience knowledge of high school students. The winner of the North Florida Brain Bee will travel to the National Brain Bee Competition in Baltimore, Maryland.

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#### 3B. FSU OUTREACH EVENT: BRAIN FAIR
Open House Event to educate the public about the amazing abilities of the brain and raise awareness about the research conducted at FSU – highly attended by parents, children, and schools in the local community!

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Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

27th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 22

Sponsored by: Representative Walton

Date: Monday, October 7th, 2019

Amount: 3,885.38

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Student Association for Religious Studies

Purpose & Description: To provide a speaker and food for the 18th annual Religion Graduate Student Symposium. It will bring together more than fifty graduate students in religion from over a dozen universities for two days of panels, roundtable discussions, and keynote speeches. The event fosters dialogue and promotes networking among graduate students from programs across the country. As one of the oldest and largest graduate religion conferences, our Graduate Student Symposium helped, and continues to help, make the FSU Religion department one of the country’s premier graduate religion programs. This year's theme is "Policing Identity, Surveilling Religion" and will feature a keynote address by Dr. Lerone A. Martin, a professor of religion at Washington University in St. Louis’s Danforth Center on Religion and Politics

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Total: $3,885.38
To: Dr. Lerone Martin (lerone.martin@wustl.edu)  
From: Graduate Student Symposium  
    Michael McLaughlin (mm17ae@my.fsu.edu)  
    Darian Shump (djs16c@my.fsu.edu)  

08 July 2019

Dr. Martin,

It is our pleasure to extend to you an invitation to deliver the keynote address at the annual Graduate Student Symposium hosted by Florida State University’s Department of Religion. The Symposium is scheduled for February 14-15, 2020, and the keynote address is slated for the evening of Friday, February 14. The 2020 Symposium will mark the 18th Anniversary of our conference and will center on this year’s theme of “Policing Identity, Surveilling Religion.”

The purpose of the Symposium is to offer graduate students a forum in which to present their research, as well as to encourage interdisciplinary dialogue and conversations between the subfields of religious studies. The Symposium consists of paper panels, two dinner receptions, and a keynote address. Our panels include papers in American religious history, religions of Western antiquity, religions of Asia, theory and philosophy of religious studies, and other related areas. Our most recent Symposium brought together over fifty graduate students from Florida State University, Indiana University, Columbia University, University of Chicago, and University of Washington, among many other schools.

In addition to covering your travel costs, hotel, and meals while in Tallahassee, we are pleased to offer you a $1000 honorarium for your time, as well as your dedication and commitment to training graduate students. Please let us know if you are interested in delivering the keynote address at the 2020 FSU Graduate Student Symposium. We would be honored to have you in town for this event and look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and we look forward to your reply.

Best,

Michael McLaughlin and Darian Shump, Ph.D. Students in Religion  
2020 Graduate Student Symposium Co-Directors  

M05 Dodd Hall, The Florida State University, P.O. Box 3061520, Tallahassee FL 32306-1520  
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Florida State University 2020 Graduate Student Symposium Keynote Address
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FSU Religion Symposium <fsureligionsymposium@gmail.com> Mon, Jul 8, 2019 at 12:02 PM
To: lerone.martin@wustl.edu

Dear Dr. Martin,

We are writing you on behalf of the committee for the organization of the 2020 Florida State University Department of Religion Graduate Student Symposium. Our graduate student leadership put forward your name as a great candidate for delivering a keynote address this year on the theme of "Policing Identity, Surveilling Religion." We would be honored to have you in Tallahassee, FL the weekend of February 14-15, 2020 to give our keynote presentation. Please find attached the official invitation letter.

Thank you for your time, and we look forward to hearing back from you. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns we can be reached at this email address. You may also reach us via the contact information below.

Sincerely,

Michael McLaughlin and Darian Shump
mm17ae@my.fsu.edu (605) 759-6437
djs16c@my.fsu.edu (904) 228-2796
Co-Directors, 18th Annual FSU Graduate Religion Symposium

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Martin, Lerone <lerone.martin@wustl.edu> Tue, Jul 9, 2019 at 4:27 PM
To: FSU Religion Symposium <fsureligionsymposium@gmail.com>

Dear Michael and Darian,

I hope this message finds you well.

Thank you for your note and invitation. I am indeed flattered.

I would be honored to give the keynote address.

Again, Thank you for this gracious invitation.

I look forward to it.

With Every Good Wish,

Lerone A. Martin, PhD
Associate Professor of Religion and Politics, John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics
FSU Religion Symposium <fsureligionsymposium@gmail.com>  Thu, Jul 11, 2019 at 3:12 PM
To: "Martin, Lerone" <lerone.martin@wustl.edu>

Dear Dr. Martin,

Thank you for accepting and for the quick response. We are delighted to have you offer our keynote in February. When the conference is a bit closer, we will contact you again to work out the details of flights and hotel.

As a graduate student symposium, we sincerely appreciate your participation and hope you will be available to interact with the students throughout the weekend. We know many here would love the opportunity to talk with you.

We would also appreciate it if you could send us your keynote title by January 1st. This will help us advertise locally, as well as print materials in enough time. The symposium brings together religion students from a diverse range of scholarly focuses, so we would like the keynote address to be — as much as is possible — broad enough to engage all students of religious studies.

Thank you again and we look forward to meeting you in February.

Best,

Michael McLaughlin and Darian Shump
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Re: Your Feb-13-2020 Confirmation #80629600

Michael McLaughlin
Wed 9/25/2019 8:39 PM
To: Susan Stetson <sstetson@fsu.edu>; Darian Shump <djs16c@my.fsu.edu>

Thank you Susan!

Michael McLaughlin
PhD Student - American Religious History
Department of Religion
Florida State University
Pronouns: he/him/his

From: Susan Stetson <sstetson@fsu.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 8:07 AM
To: Michael McLaughlin <mm17ae@my.fsu.edu>; Darian Shump <djs16c@my.fsu.edu>
Subject: FW: Your Feb-13-2020 Confirmation #80629600

DoubleTree Hotel for Martin Lerone – confirmation below ...Susan

Susan Stetson
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Tallahassee, FL 32306-1520
PH 850-644-1021
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Dripping water hollows out stone, not through force but through persistence. - Ovid

From: Ramsey Mullins <R.Mullins@fsu.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 7:45 AM
To: Susan Stetson <sstetson@fsu.edu>
Subject: FW: Your Feb-13-2020 Confirmation #80629600

Ramsey Gray Mullins
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See you soon, LERONE MARTIN
Your reservation for Feb-13-2020 has been confirmed.
Confirmation #80629600

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Tallahassee
Your Room Information

Guest Name: LERONE MARTIN
Guests: 1 Adult
Rooms: 1
Room Plan: 1 KING BED

Your Rate Information

FLORIDA STATE UNIV

Rate per night
Feb-13-2020 - Feb-16-2020 129.00 USD

Total for Stay per Room Rate 387.00 USD
Taxes 48.38 USD
Total price for Stay 435.38 USD

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• Your reservation is guaranteed for late arrival.
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Sunday, February 16, 2020

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This email was sent by: SAP Concur - 601 108th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004, USA
MEMORANDUM

TO: Foundation

FROM: Susan Stetson
Office Manager, Religion

DATE: February 25, 2019

RE: Reimbursement request for Josh Carpenter, Grad Student, Religion

Please find the detailed receipts and the proof of purchase for food & drinks for The Religion Graduate Student Symposium on 02/22 and 02/23/2019. There were approximately 110 in attendance at this conference.

Friday, 02/22/19, dinner by Mayuri Indian Restaurant, 8:00 p.m., Dodd Hall Lobby. $1100.00
Josh paid the restaurant by Cashier’s check in advance for the food to be ordered.

Saturday, 02/23/19, breakfast Publix, Dodd Hall Foyer and Saturday, 02/22/19, lunch. $165.67

Saturday, 02/23/19, lunch, Costco, paper goods, chips, sodas and beer for Lunch. $249.11

= $1514.78

This Grad Student Symposium showcases our graduate students, as well as students from other Universities and allows them to present and discuss research papers with discussion panels to provide input before their final thesis or defense.

Please reimburse Josh Carpenter from Foundation F00192 Religion General Development (092900-599-F00192). This fund is used to support the Department of Religion in its mission.
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17th Annual Florida State University
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February 22-23, 2019
Dodd Hall
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, February 22nd
2:00-4:00 p.m. Registration and check-in
Dodd Hall Foyer

Session 1A: Islam
2:30-4:15 p.m.
Werkmeister Reading Room

Respondent: Dr. Adam Gaiser
Moderator: Darian Shump

Ibadi Theory of Waqf
Amanda Propst
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Are the Falasifa a Firqa? Arguing for the Sectarian Characterization of the Philosophers in al-Ghazali
Austin Fitzgerald
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Between Human and Nonhuman Through the Queen of Sheba
Jillian Stinchcomb
*University of Pennsylvania, Department of Religious Studies*

Session 1B: Ethics and Practice
2:30-4:15 p.m.
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Respondent: Dr. Martin Kavka
Moderator: Joshua Carpenter

Contemplative Practices and Neoliberal Individualism
Steven Quach
*UC Riverside, Department of Religious Studies*
Karma and the Threefold Law: An Investigation of Indian Religious Influence on Wiccan Ethics  
Humberto Perez  
*Florida International University, Department of Religion*

A Jewish Tradition's Tug-of-War Over Natural Law: Verifying and Integrating Novak's Conception of Natural Law  
Nathan Moats  
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

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**Session 2A: Technology and Religion**  
4:30-6:25 p.m.  
Werkmeister Reading Room

Respondent: Dr. Michael McVicar  
Moderator: Michael McLaughlin

Climbing Ropes and Inter-Webs: Tracing the Divine Thread Connecting Humanity  
Colby Long  
*Vanderbilt Divinity School*

Progress or Peril?: The Rhetoric and Risks of Moral Enhancement  
Joseph Fisher  
*Columbia University, Department of Religion*

The White Face of Death: Persons and Puppets in the Russian Avant-Garde  
Taylor Thomas  
*Indiana University, Department of Religious Studies*

Dial-A-Drunk: Alcoholics Anonymous and the Telephone  
Taylor Wilson Dean  
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*
Session 2B: Demons, Ghosts, and Magic
4:30-6:25 p.m.
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Respondent: Dr. Kristina Buhrman
Moderator: Timothy Burnside

Tibetan Witches
Amanda Brown
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

The Body Demonic: Imagining Japanese Kingship and the State through Esoteric Buddhist Demon Worship
Bruce Winkelman
*University of Chicago, Divinity School*

From Peripheral Demon to Centralized Deity: YHWH's "Coming-Of-Age" Tale In the Exodus Plague Narrative
Carl James Dates
*Columbia Theological Seminary*

Medicine, Magic, and the Yeti: Tibetan Perspectives on Monstrosity and 'Wildmen'
Lee Weiss
*Temple University, Department of Religion*

“Writing Demons and Difference”
A Keynote Address by Dr. Annette Yoshiko Reed
New York University
7 p.m., Dodd Hall Auditorium

8:00 p.m.
Announcement of the Leo Sandon Best Paper Award and the Walter and Marian Moore Travel Awards

Afterward: Dinner and Reception, Dodd Hall Foyer
Food provided by: *Mayuri Indian Restaurant*
Vegan, Vegetarian, and Meat options available
Saturday, February 23rd

9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Dodd Hall Foyer

Session 3A: Gender and Religious Practices
10:00-11:55 a.m.
Werkmeister Reading Room

Respondent: Dr. Aline Kalbian
Moderator: Lauren Lovestone

“I'll always have an extra hammer by my side”: Reconceiving Authority and Embodying Masculinity on a Depression-Era Catholic Worker Farm
Nicholas Austin
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Daddy I Do: Purity Balls and Evangelical Ideals of Virginity, Marriage, and Personhood
Mihee Kim-Kort
Indiana University, Religion in the Americas

Virginity, Bestiality, and Virtue in Sozomen's Account of the Attack of the Consecrated Virgins of Heliopolis
LaToya Leary
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Religious Ecstasy and the Ecological Collapse in Hogan's Solar Storms
Liz Hutchinson
Florida State University, Literature Program
Session 3B: Religious Resistance
10:00-11:55 a.m.
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Respondent: Dr. Heather DuBois
Moderator: Jesse Lee

Equatorial Guinea, Modernity, and Colonialization: Foreigners and Bwiti Rituals
Zoe Walker
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Virtuous Passions and the Correction of Racist Habits
Joseph Lim
*The University of Notre Dame, Department of Theology*

Deploying Religion: Private Security and the Utilization of Religion at Standing Rock
Madeleine Prothero
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Doctrine of Dissent: Exploring the Evolving Role of Religion in Tibetan Protest Methods
Marah Litchford
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Session 3C: Deviancy and Bodies
10:00-11:55 a.m.
Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. Jamil Drake
Moderator: Haley Iliff

Jedidiah Morse and the Theo-Spatial Politics of the Early Republic
Andrew Gardner
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*
John Brown, Puritans, and the Declaration of Independence
Erika Nelson
Vanderbilt University, Department of Religion

No Freedom Without Religion: Prisons and the Shaping of Religious Bodies in Antebellum New York
Robert Lee
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Sorting Bodies: Religion as Social Hierarchy in the Rajneesh Movement
Nicole M.A. Wrobel
Florida State University, Department of Religion

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch, Dodd Hall Foyer
Sandwiches – vegetarian and meat options, chips, dessert

Session 4A: Jewish Reception History
1:00-2:55 p.m.
Werkmeister Reading Room

Respondent: Dr. Annette Yoshiko Reed
Moderator: Rebekah Gordon

Angels, Humans, and Evil: An Investigation of Demons in the Book of Watchers
Emily Olsen
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Angels in Ancient Popular Literature: the Case for a New Class of Characters
Rebecca Draughon
University of Virginia, Department of Religious Studies
Dirty Jobs: Jose Saramago's Adaptation of The Book of Job
Anderson Moss
University of Georgia, Department of Religion

Ambrose of Milan and the Destroyed Synagogue of Callinicum: A Reception History
J. Jordan Henderson
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Session 4B: (Non)Human Boundaries
1:00-2:55p.m.
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Respondent: Dr. Elizabeth Cecil
Moderator: Rebecca Peters

Affectively Defective: Māra’s Nonhuman Emotions in the Precious Banner Sūtra
Adam T. Miller
University of Chicago, Divinity School

Thinking Environmental Ethics with Later Heidegger: Dasein As Shepherd & Preserver of Being
Jim Waters
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Rattus Hierarchicus: Human-Rat Relations, Kinship, and Caste in Rajasthan
Kyle J. Trembley
University of Washington, Anthropology Department

The Modern Process is an Elaborate One: Elements and Groups, Agency and Ethics
Thomas J. Carrico, Jr.
Florida State University, Department of Religion
Session 4C: Identity and the Self
1:00-2:55p.m.
Dodd Hall Auditorium

Respondent: Dr. Andrew Durdin
Moderator: Amanda Propst

The Gendering of Jewishness in Edith Stein’s Life
L.R. Lovestone
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Theorizing about the Self in Panpsychism and the Extended Mind Using the *Dao De Jing* (道德經) and *Zhuangzi* (莊子)
Ryan R. Lemasters
Western Michigan University, Department of Comparative Religion

A Monument to Defeat: The Alamo, David Crockett, and the Consecration of Texas
Stephen Oleszek
Florida State University, Department of History

Cultural Barriers: a case study of the Romans at Eleusis
Jessica Tilley
Florida State University, Department of Classical Studies

Session 5A: Popular Culture
3:15-5:10 p.m.
Werkmeister Reading Room

Respondent: Dr. Meredith Ross
Moderator: Taylor Dean

Secret Lives, Fragmented Selves: *Ms. Marvel* and Muslim American Youth
Darian Shump
Florida State University, Department of Religion
But the White Folks that Claim Him Didn’t Make Him: Islam and Albinism in the Music of Brother Ali
Michael McLaughlin
Florida State University, Department of Religion

Panic! at the Doxology: A Theory of Secular Hymns
Rebekah Gordon
Florida State University, Department of Religion

**Session 5B: Religious Negotiations**
3:15-5:10 p.m.
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Respondent: Dr. Joseph Hellweg
Moderator: Kevin Burton

“Perhaps it is a swindle?”: A Yiddish Journalist on Spiritualism and Hidden Powers
Matthew Brittingham
Emory University, Graduate Division of Religion

Hilal and the Horizon: Marking Muslim Calendars and the Problems of Moon-sighting for Muslims in North-America
S. Beena Butool
Florida State University, Department of Religion

A ‘Middle Ground’ Approach to Identity in Sinope and Heraclea Pontica
Austin Wojkiewicz
Florida State University, Classics Department

Recognizably Religious: On the Buddhist Churches of America, Citizenship, and Religious Translation
Jesse J. Lee
Florida State University, Department of Religion
Session 5C: Beyond American Religious History Canon
3:15-5:10 p.m.
Dodd Hall Auditorium

Moderator: Adam T. Miller

Other Humans and the Terror of History
Andy McKee
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

"We Don't Read Because it's Boring": Pedagogical Theory and Engaging Undergrads in ARH
Haley Iliff
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

Notes from the Intersection of Fat Studies and American Religious Studies
Danae Faulk
*Syracuse University*

Ultrasonic History
Timothy Burnside
*Florida State University, Department of Religion*

5:30p.m.-7:00p.m.: Closing Dinner, Dodd Hall Foyer
Food provided by: *Moe’s Southwest Grill*
Vegan, Vegetarian, and Meat options available
GUEST SPEAKER
Annette Yoshiko Reed

Associate Professor

The 2019 Graduate Student Symposium would like extend a special thanks to the following individuals:

Aline Kalbian
Matthew Goff
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Jon Bridges

And to all the hard-working FSU Religion Graduate Student volunteers who made this possible.

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Rebecca L. Peters and Michael McLaughlin

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