



October 16-18, 2015, Williamsburg, Virginia

**Friday, Oct. 16:**

8:00 – Coffee and pastries

**8:00 – Welcome**

Karin Wulf, Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture  
Christopher Hodson and Brett Rushforth, Program Committee Co-Chairs

**8:30 - 10:30 – Session 1: States**

Chair: Cécile Vidal, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales

Gabriel de Avilez Rocha, New York University: *“Institutionalizing Plunder: French and Iberian Triangulations in the Atlantic Commons, 1500-1550”*

Elisabeth Heijmans, Leiden University: *“The ‘Men on the Spot’ and French Empire Building: The Case of the West-African Fort of Ouidah in the Beginning of the 18th Century”*

Alexandre Dubé, Washington University in St. Louis: *“Death of a King’s Man”*

Comment: Owen Stanwood, Boston College

10:30 - 11:00 – Break

**11:00 - 12:30 – Session 2: Race and Revolution**

Chair: Emily Clark, Tulane University

Christina Mobley, University of Virginia: *“The French Slave Trade, the Kongolese Atlantic, and the Haitian Revolution”*

Manuel Covo, University of Warwick: *“Public Authority, Republican Law, and Race in Revolutionary Saint-Domingue: The 1796 Crisis Between Sonthonax and Rigaud”*

Comment: Dominique Rogers, Université des Antilles [et de la Guyane]

12:30 - 2:00 – Lunch

**12:30 - 2:00 – Optional Research Portal Meeting**

Chair: Rebecca Hartkopf Schloss, Texas A&M University

**2:00 - 4:00 – Session 3: Legalities**

Chair: Catherine Desbarats, McGill University

Laurie Wood, Florida State University: “*Codifying Colonization: Inscriptions of Legal Knowledge from below and above in the Early Modern French Atlantic*”

Alexandra Havrylyshyn, University of California, Berkeley: “*Practitioners and Procurators in the Litigious Society of New France: An Atlantic Perspective*”

Marie Houllé, Université de Picardie Jules Verne: “*Penal circulations in the French Atlantic, 18<sup>th</sup> century*”

Comment: Guillaume Aubert, College of William and Mary

4:00 - 4:30 – Transportation to Swem Library

4:30 - 5:30 – Swem Special Collections Exhibit (Sponsored by Lapidus and JCB)

6:00 – Reception, Wren Building

**Saturday, Oct. 17:**

8:00 – Coffee and pastries

**8:30 - 10:30 – Session 4: Cultures**

Chair: Giulia Pacini, College of William and Mary

Céline Carayon, Salisbury University: “*Embodied Empire?: Communication, Sensitivities, and the Making of the French-Indian Atlantic World*”

Mairi Cowan, University of Toronto: “*Demons in New France and the Atlantic Anxieties of Early Canada*”

Kristen Block, University of Tennessee: “*Leprosy and Disgrace in the French Antilles: Jean-André Peyssonnel’s Quest for International Recognition*”

Gordon Sayre, University of Oregon: “*Of Muses and Mémoires: Literary Textures of Testimony in the French Atlantic World*”

Comment: Nicholas Dew, McGill University

10:30 - 11:00 – Break

**11:00 - 12:15 – Session 5: Boundaries**

Chair: Christian Crouch, Bard College

Pernille Røge, University of Pittsburgh: “*The Place of the Baltic in the Early Modern French Atlantic World*”

Thomas Wien, Université de Montréal: “*Flows of the Space: New France and Central Europe, même combat?*”

Comment: Allan Potofsky, Université Paris-Diderot

12:15 - 1:30 – Lunch

**12:15 - 1:30 – Optional Teaching Session**

Chair: Robert Morrissey, University of Illinois

**1:30 - 3:30 – Session 6: Religion and Power**

Chair: Jean-François Lozier, Canadian Museum of History

Helen Dewar, Boston College: “*A Collaborative Enterprise: Financiers, Religious Orders, and the Company of New France*”

Steve Lenik, St. Mary’s College of Maryland: “*French Jesuits as Planters in the Early French Atlantic: From Frontier to Colony to Metropole*”

Andrew Dial, McGill University: “*Broken Credit?: Father Antoine La Valette and Abraham Gradis Settle Accounts*”

Comment: Sophie White, University of Notre Dame

3:30 - 4:00 – Break

**4:00 - 6:00 – Session 7: Approaches**

Chair: Laurent Dubois, Duke University

Robert Taber, University of Florida: “*Family Formation and Polemics in Saint-Domingue, 1670-1789*”

Kenneth Kelly, University of South Carolina: “*Sugar Plantations in Guadeloupe and Martinique: Transformations from the Ancien Régime to the Revolutionary Period*”

John Garrigus, University of Texas, Arlington: “*Twin Pearls of the Antilles: French Saint-Domingue and British Jamaica in the Eighteenth Century*”

Comment: Jennifer L. Palmer, University of Georgia

6:30 – Reception, Reves Center

**Sunday, Oct. 18:**

8:30 – coffee and pastries

**9:00 - 12:00 – Angles of Vision**

Chair: Hilary Jones, Florida International University

Gayle Brunelle, California State University, Fullerton: Sixteenth Century

Sue Peabody, Washington State University: Indian Ocean

Gilles Havard, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique: Les Amérindiens

Ibrahima Thioub, Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar: Africa

Moderator: Gérard Chouin, College of William and Mary

12:00 – Conference Adjourns