



*Power & Politics*  
**First Annual Undergraduate History Conference**  
Friday, May 13, 2016 | 8:30AM - 6:00PM | Bunche Hall 6275

8:30am – 8:45am	Check-In and Continental Breakfast
8:45am – 9:00am	Welcoming Remarks
9:00am – 11:00am	<b>Panel 1: Science, Religion, and the State</b> <b>Chair:</b> Keanu Heydari <b>John Neveu</b> , “Biblical Interpretation and the Galileo Affair” <b>Christopher Blake Leeper</b> , “The Subtle Atheist: Spinoza and the Struggle between Superstition and the ‘True Religion’” <b>James Gardner</b> , “James Ferguson in Polite Society” <b>Jennifer Jurgens</b> , “From the beginning has He held us in His Hand’: Divine Providence, the American Jeremiad, and Northern Methodist Motivation During the American Civil War” <b>Discussant:</b> Scottie Buehler
11:00am – 11:10am	<b>Break</b>
11:10am – 12:00pm	<b>Keynote: Benjamin Madley</b> , “An American Genocide: The United States and the California Indian Catastrophe, 1846-1873”
12:00pm – 12:45pm	<b>Lunch</b> ( <i>lunch will be provided to presenters &amp; discussants. Other guests should bring brown bag lunch</i> )
12:45pm – 1:50pm	<b>Panel 2: State Power in the Ancient and Medieval World</b> <b>Chair:</b> Amanda Washington <b>Megan Louise Olshefski</b> , “Women and Their Influence in Early Rome” <b>Qiuyang Dai</b> , “A Survey of the Wars and Diplomacy of the Northern Song from the Eve of the Nomadic Invasions to the Fall of the Imperial Capital” <b>Discussant:</b> Natalia Rusnac
1:50pm – 2:00pm	<b>Break</b>
2:00pm – 3:05pm	<b>Panel 3: Women and the State in Modern Times</b> <b>Chair:</b> Katherine (Katie) Brosamle <b>Julia Hines</b> , “Court is Always in Session: An Examination of Women as Judges, Redeemers, and Punishers in Defense of Cultural Norms in Scandinavian-Icelandic Society” <b>Danila Cardenas-Fraga</b> , “ <i>Hijas de la Dictadura</i> : Women Combatants and Female Solidarity during Pinochet’s Dictatorship” <b>Discussant:</b> Sarah Ross Pripas
3:05pm – 3:15pm	<b>Break</b> ( <i>refreshments will be provided</i> )
3:15pm – 4:20pm	<b>Panel 4: The Politics of Space</b> <b>Chair:</b> Zachary De Groot <b>Jacob Jauregui</b> , “The Duality of Progress: A Case Study of Lord John Hervey on the Rise of the Bourgeois Public Sphere in Georgian England” <b>Yingchuan Yang</b> , “‘It Looks Beautiful’: Historical Memory of Socialist Beijing in Postsocialist China” <b>Discussant:</b> Peter Chesney
4:20pm – 4:25pm	<b>Break</b>
4:25pm – 5:55pm	<b>Panel 5: Modern Propaganda and Multinational Institutions</b> <b>Chair:</b> Christopher Blake Leeper <b>Keanu Heydari</b> , “‘Decadence’ and the ‘New Order’ in the Vichy French National Revolution: The Semiotics and Cultural Logic of the Pétainiste Meaning-Making Impulse” <b>Benjamin Leonard</b> , “By Any Means Necessary: COINTELPRO and the Fight for Black Liberation” <b>Zachary De Groot</b> , “IMF and the EU: Redefining Relationships and Representation” <b>Discussants:</b> Jack Wilson & Medina Thiam
5:55pm – 6:00pm	Closing Remarks