

Call for speakers: “New Histories of Race and Ethnicity in Africa”

(Generous honorarium)

The History Department at Connecticut College seeks 3-4 junior scholars from underrepresented communities to present research on race and ethnicity in African history with an emphasis on local histories, oral history, or comparative indigeneity. All time periods and thematic approaches are welcome, with particular interest in gender, sexuality and/or environmental history.

We are seeking scholars who are close to completing their PhDs or scholars who have their PhDs but are not yet in a tenure-track position. Applicants should be interested in delivering their research in a formal setting to scholars and undergraduate students, as well as in learning about the liberal arts college environment.

Invited speakers will give a formal talk of approximately 40 minutes over Zoom followed by a question-and-answer period, and they will meet (via Zoom) with students and their professors in a relevant class or in a small group to discuss their research. Speakers receive a generous honorarium for their participation, and they are encouraged to view this as an invited talk that can be listed on CVs. The speaker series take place in the fall of 2021.

This “New Scholar Series” is made possible by a grant from the Creating Connections Consortium (C3) to host a with the goal of introducing promising graduate students and recent PhDs from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups to liberal arts colleges.

To apply, please submit the following:

- 300-word abstract describing the research that would be presented, including its main findings, research methodology, and significance.
- C.V.
- One-sentence statement confirming self-identification as a member of a historically underrepresented (racial/ethnic) group.

Submit these as one single document via email to the History Department Chair, Leo J. Garofalo, lgar@conncoll.edu

Please use “Speaker Series” in subject line.

Review of applications will begin on September 1st, 2021 and continue until 3-4 speakers are chosen.