The 29th Annual
Columbia University GradCon
February 21-22, 2020

29th Annual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia

February 21st and 22nd, 2020

Graduate students are cordially invited to submit abstracts for the 29thAnnual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia, to be held at Columbia University on February 21st and 22nd, 2020. This two-day conference provides students from institutions around the world with the opportunity to meet and share research with their peers. In addition, participants will gain valuable experience presenting their work through discussion with fellow graduate students and Columbia faculty.

We welcome applications from students engaged in research on all fields in East Asian Studies. While applicants may situate their work in disciplines, including History, Literature, Cinema, Art History, Religion, Sociology, etc., we especially encourage work that crosses national, temporal, and disciplinary boundaries to critically interrogate the categories that both bind and sub-divide area studies.

Participation

Presenters deliver a talk no longer than 20 minutes based on an academic paper that summarizes research in progress. Presentations may take three possible forms: a standard academic research paper, a Powerpoint presentation accompanied by a talk, or a work of documentary filmmaking. A documentary work should be 20 minutes or less. Those interested in proposing research in alternative forms are encouraged to reach out to the committee directly at columbiagradcon@gmail.com.

The committee also encourages applications from pre-arranged panels of three to four presenters organized around a specific research topic, such as a region, discipline, or theme. If you are applying as a pre-formed panel, please make sure to include a tentative title for your panel on the application form. Preference will be given to such applications; we encourage panels to include participants from multiple institutions.

Deadlines

Applications are due **November 8th, 2019**. Please apply here.

Successful applicants will be notified of acceptance in late-November 2019.

Final Papers are due January 17th, 2020.

Housing

Housing will be available on an extremely limited basis. We encourage everyone to arrange their own accommodations in advance.
The conference runs from Friday afternoon to late Saturday evening. Travel and lodging information will be available soon on the conference website.

Funding

The committee will provide funding to cover travel expenses, but on an extremely limited and competitive basis. Participants are strongly encouraged to apply for funding from their home institutions or other sources.

Accessibility
We are committed to holding an accessible conference. Please let us know what accommodations you require.

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Sincerely,

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