Violence Modified and Unmodified

Comparative Literature Graduate Conference 2024

Humanities Instructional Building (HIB) 135 April 11-12, 2024

Thursday 12:00PM-6:30PM - Keynote: Prof. Idris Robinson Friday 12:00PM-6:30PM - Keynote: Prof. David Marriott

Please join us April 11-12 for our conference on theories and incidents of violence.

Violence makes for a familiar ground in the academy, buttressing contemporary articulations of materiality just as it contours the unthought enclosures of idealist actuality. This conference seeks to investigate violence as a potentially unstable category between disciplines. We aim to explore the tenuous distinctions that theories of violence have often upheld, such as state violence and revolutionary violence, or law-making and law-preserving. The interdisciplinary presentations comprising this conference aim to identify the tenses, constructions, and modalities in which violence takes shape as a distinct form.

Thursday - April 11, 2024

12:00PM - Lunch

1:00PM-2:30 PM - Residuals of Procedure

2:45PM-4:15PM - Contradictions and Their Institutionalization

4:30PM - Keynote Speaker: Prof. Idris Robinson, Texas State University

Friday - April 12, 2024

12:00PM - Lunch

1:00PM-2:30PM - Disappearance

2:45PM-4:15PM - Scar, Dehiscence, and Relational Wounding

4:30PM - Keynote Speaker: Prof. David Marriott, Emory University



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