



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**19TH ANNUAL INTERDISCIPLINARY GRADUATE
STUDENT CONFERENCE**

**TRANSCENDING
BOUNDARIES**

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DIVISIONS IN SOCIETY**

MARCH 9TH AND 10TH

**BUCHANAN PENTHOUSE
5TH FLOOR – BLOCK C
1866 MAIN MALL, UBC**

**HOSTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICAL,
NEAR EASTERN AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES**



SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH 2019

13.00 –14:00: Registration and Welcome

14.00–15.30 Panel: Religion

Chair: Dr. Robert Cousland

Darren Henry–Noel, Queen's University

- ❖ A Most Crusading King? Philip II, Crusading, and the Rise of the Capetian Monarchy

Kenneth Amadi, University of Notre Dame

- ❖ Ritual Boundaries and Catholic Eucharistic Communion

Lindsay Fraughton, University of British Columbia

- ❖ Reading between the Lions: An Analysis of Saint Thecla as a Christian Construction of Cybele

15:30–15:45: Break

15.45–17.15 Panel: Gender and Identity

Chair: Dr. Katharine P.D. Huemoeller

Maggie Tsang, Simon Fraser University

- ❖ Reconsidering Medical Diversity: How Chinese Medical Knowledge differs from Modern Scientific Medicine

Amber Leenders, University of British Columbia

- ❖ Beyond Banqueting: Exploring Community and Commensality at Dura–Europos

Samuel Sanchinel, York University

- ❖ The Immoral “Other” and the Ethical Unnatural: Trans Persons within a Platonic or Biblical Metaphysic

17.15–17.30: Break

17.30–18.30 Keynote

Dr. Sarah Levin–Richardson, University of Washington

Pompeii’s Brothel:

Sex, Class, and Gender at the Margins of Roman Society



SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH 2019

8.30–9.00 Breakfast and Coffee

9.00–10.30 Panel: Politics and Society

Chair: Graham Butler

Caedyn Lennox, Simon Fraser University

- ❖ Social Change in 7th–5th Century Athens as Seen Through the Eyes of the Alcmaeonidae Family

Ben Winnick, University of British Columbia

- ❖ Alkathous and Pandion: Political Divisions as Mythic Divisions in Ancient Megara”

Cahit Mete Oguz, Simon Fraser University

- ❖ Social Boundaries in Middle Byzantine Narratives: The Case of the Peasantry”

10.30–10.45 Break

10.45–12.15 Panel: Language & literature

Chair: Dr. Caroline Arbuckle

Antony Zhang, University of Manitoba

- ❖ Ursula Le Guin’s Engagement with the Cold War in *The Left Hand of Darkness*

Anthony Pearce, University of British Columbia

- ❖ Narrating Restitution after the CVR: the Role of Affect in *La hora azul*

Victoria Fendel, University of Cambridge

- ❖ Centrifugal and centripetal forces at work: The linguistic profile of Kellis (Western desert, Egypt)

12.15–12.30 Conference Closure



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- ❖ Jayden Lloyd – Secretary
- ❖ Nicole Ingot – Logistics Coordinator
- ❖ Allison Marlyn – Communications
- ❖ Benjamin Winnick, Amber Leenders – Members

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