

Stokes Seminar

Fall 2023

Department of History



The Larry D. Stokes Seminar takes place on Fridays, from 3:30 to 5:00pm in Room 1170 of the Marion McCain Arts&SS building. The Seminar will also be livestreamed over Teams.

Presenters briefly introduce their current research. Then, faculty, students, and community members pose questions and make comments about a pre-circulated paper. Our aim is to stimulate productive discussion about history and historical practice. As well as being circulated electronically, printed copies of each paper will be available in the Department of History office during the same week as the Seminar.

Questions about the Stokes Seminar can be directed to Will Langford (w.langford@dal.ca) or Jillian Durkee (gradhist@dal.ca).

Schedule

22 Sept – Colin Mitchell (Dalhousie University) – Solomonic Proximities and Davidic Distancing: Old Exemplars and New Priorities in the Safavid Historical Imagination (15-17th c.)

29 Sept – John E. Crowley (Dalhousie University) – Mathematical Alchemy: Decimalisation in Early Modern England

6 Oct – Denis Kozlov (Dalhousie University) – On the Choice and Freedom of a Transnational Migrant: European Trajectories of Soviet Jewish Emigration during the 1970s and 1980s

13 Oct – NO SESSION – in deference to Dana Rabin (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign) – The Jewish Atlantic: Colonization, Circulation, and “Emancipation” in the British Empire, 1650-1830 – Northeast Conference on British Studies keynote, Alumni Hall, University of King’s College, 6:00-7:30pm

20 Oct – NO SESSION – in deference to the Universities Studying Slavery Conference hosted by Dalhousie University and University of King’s College

27 Oct – Kate Brown (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) – Tiny Gardens Everywhere

3 Nov – Katie Carline (Dalhousie University) – Sewing the Revival Tents: Black Women’s Christian Organizations and the Public Duties of Home-Making in an Apartheid City, 1950-63

10 Nov – Aaron S. Wright (University of King’s College/Dalhousie University) – “I am neither”: Lewis H. Douglass and Racial Categories at the Origin of Electronic Data Processing

17 Nov – NO SESSION – Fall study break

24 Nov – Xiaoping Sun (Saint Mary’s University) – Building Agricultural Modernity on China’s State Farms

1 Dec – Stefanie Slaunwhite (University of New Brunswick) – Residential Reform at the Dr. W.F. Robert’s Hospital-School, Saint John, New Brunswick, 1965-85

