German History in the North Conference

Friday 10 May 2024

Organizers: Craig Griffiths and Mercedes Peñalba-Sotorrio

Histories and Cultures of Conflict (HACC) and Histories of RGSI (Race, Gender, Sexuality, and Identity) research groups

Venue: Manchester Metropolitan University

This one-day conference on the history of German-speaking Europe (broadly defined) will provide an opportunity for researchers to meet in a relaxed and friendly setting and to learn more about each other’s work. In the spirit of previous German History in the North conferences, we particularly encourage the participation of researchers based in the North of England, although we welcome any researcher with or without institutional affiliation, based in the UK or overseas.

Proposals for short papers of 15-20 minutes are invited from researchers at all career stages with an interest in any aspect of German history, although preference will be given to papers engaging in one of the following areas of interest:

- Queer history; history of gender and sexuality
- Race, racism; history of antisemitism
- Human rights and humanitarianism
- Cultural histories of war
- Transnational approaches to the study of political radicalism and extremism
- Cultural diplomacy and propaganda

Participants are encouraged to concentrate on presenting work in progress, highlighting research questions and approaches, and pointing to yet unresolved challenges of their projects.

Attendance is free, which includes lunch. Costs for travel and accommodation cannot be reimbursed. However, doctoral, independent, and early-career researchers who wish to present at the conference can apply for five travel grants (up to £150 each) provided by the Department of History, Politics and Philosophy at Manchester Metropolitan. Please express your interest in this grant in your application.

Please send your proposal, including a title, an abstract of c.200 words, and a biographical note of no more than c.100 words to Mercedes Peñalba-Sotorrio (m.penalba-sotorrio@mmu.ac.uk) and to Craig Griffiths (c.griffiths@mmu.ac.uk). We are also happy to answer questions about any aspect of the conference.

The deadline for proposal submissions is 5 January 2024. We will reply to all submissions by the end of January.

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