DISCUSSIONS FROM THE BORDERLANDS

Date: March 13th & 14th
location: Michigan State University
Friday Keynote: Nellie Jo David
Saturday Keynote: Sarah Yore-Van Oosterhout

We seek a wide range of topics and disciplinary frameworks. Our goal is for participants and attendees to be able to share and develop their work. Papers can include but are not limited to border theory, Latinx studies, indigenous studies, women & gender studies, sociology, environmental ethics, and international law. In addition, we welcome submissions from community-oriented projects situated within affected communities. Projects may address questions such as: how do the cultural/political borders that govern race interact with border enforcement policy? How does the nature of the physical border (i.e. U.S.-Mexico border) interact with the epistemic and cultural wellbeing of migrants? What kinds of violences are produce through these interactions? And to who are these harms inflicted on? Also, how are communities demonstrating resilience and resistance. It is not limited to these specific topics. Please feel free to submit any project or work that pretends to any area of the borderlands. We welcome your ideas!

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submissions should be sent to msugradcon2020@gmail.com. Submissions must include:
1) An abstract or prospectus (if your work is still being developed) of 200-400 words, on a page by itself for blind review, AND 2) an additional cover sheet including author’s name, university affiliation (if any), and email address. We welcome submissions of papers, narratives, performances, and more. Projects under development are welcome and encouraged. We ask that you be able to speak for 10-15 minutes on the nature of your project and be willing to engage in about 20 minutes of discussion regarding the details, ramifications, and areas of your project that are yet to be developed. Submission Deadline: February 12, 2020. Notification of acceptance will be no later than February 19, 2020.

ACCESSIBILITY: We are committed to hosting a conference accessible to all. Any questions and/or accessibility requests can be addressed to msugradcon2020@gmail.com

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