

POVERTY AND SCARCITY IN GLOBAL HISTORY

Conference of the Queen's Global History Initiative
and the Poverty Research Network at University of Glasgow

February 3-4, 2022
Online (access links below)

Organized by Julia McClure, Amitava Chowdhury, Swen Steinberg, Mike Borsk and
Mike Ross

SCHEDULE (ALL TIMES EST)

FEBRUARY 3, 2022

9:30am **Opening remarks:** Julia McClure & Amitava Chowdhury

9:45-11:15am **PANEL 1: FAMINE AND HUNGER**

Debadrita Saha

"I can stand this hunger no longer." Tracing the rise of Brahminical nationalism in the light of the 1770 Bengal Famine in *Anandamath*

Iryna Skubii

Being Poor During a Famine: Materialities of Survival in Soviet Ukraine

Steven Serels

A Poverty of Sweetness: Sugar and Scarcity in Sudanese History

Comment: Rebecca Manley

11:15-11:30am Break

11:30am-1pm **PANEL 2: CONCEPTS OF SCARCITY**

Aida Fernández Prieto

Poverty, Fear of Poverty and Fear of the Poor and Destitute in the Ancient Greek World: Between *Peniaphobia* and *Aporophobia*

Norberto Osvaldo Ferreras

Josué de Castro's "Geopolitics of Hunger (1946):" The discovery of hunger in Brazil

Lisa Payne Ossian

Solemn Promises, Spiritual Reconstruction: Two Presidents Craft the Marshall Plan in 1947

Comment: Steven Serels

1-1:15pm Break

1:15-2:45pm **KEYNOTE 1**

Candace Fujikane, Department of English at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Mapping Indigenous Economies of Abundance against Capitalist Economies of Poverty and Scarcity

Moderator: Amitava Chowdhury

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9-10:30am **KEYNOTE 2**

Anya Zilberstein, Department of History at Concordia University

Poor Creatures: Food Aid for People and other Animals in the Eighteenth Century

Moderator: Swen Steinberg

10:30-10:45am Break

10:45-11:45am **PANEL 3: COLONIALISM AND POVERTY**

Michele Luppi

'Keep colonizing:' overpopulation, migration, and settlement in the development policies of the Italian Republic, 1947-1960

Scott Eaton

Colony by Fire: Disaster, Poverty, Reform and the St. John's Conflagrations of 1816-1819

Comment: Julia McClure

11:45-12:00pm Break

12:00-2:00pm **PANEL 4: RESPONSES TO POVERTY AND SCARCITY**

Mohit Abrol

Looking Back in Anger? A Case Study of the Farmers' Protest, the 1943 Bengal Famine and Manufactured Scarcities in India

Ashoka Vardhan Manchala

The Meyer-Dey Debate: Overcoming Poverty through "Community" in India, c. 1946-1962

Egbule Philip Onyekachukwu

The Paradox of Poverty amidst Plenty and Wealth-Based Inequality in Nigeria: How the Nigerian-Biafran War (6 July 1967 - 15 January 1970)

Nicole Gipson

Making the Third Ghetto: Homelessness in New York City (1970-1990)

Comment: Norberto Osvaldo Ferreras

2:00-2:15pm

Closing remarks: Mike Borsk & Mike Ross

ACCESS TO THE CONFERENCE**Day 1, February 3, 2022**

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Day 2, February 4, 2022

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