University of California

President’s and Chancellor’s
Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs

PRESENTATION SCHEDULES

2019 Academic Retreat
Saturday, April 13, 2019

UCLA Lake Arrowhead Conference Center
Arts & Humanities

MODERATORS
Julie Carlson, British Romantic-era writing, literature and mind, cultural politics
Douglas Haynes, History, Humanities, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Free Speech

AUDIENCE MEMBERS
Michael Accinno*, Nineteenth-century American music and culture, disability studies
Neda Atanasoski, Race and Technology, Religion, War and Nationalism
Alisa Bierria, carceral studies, gender violence, feminist philosophy
Susan Carlson, modern drama, political theatre, women's studies
Xochitl Chavez, Mexico, Expressive Culture, Indigenous studies, Ethnomusicology, Latin American Studies
Miroslava Chavez-Garcia, Chicana/o history, Chicana/o studies, ethnic studies, immigration, juvenile justice
Annalis Coliva, Philosophy, Humanities, Social Sciences
Ofelia Cuevas, race, prisons, policing
Jemma DeCristo, Black Studies, Sound Studies, Trans Studies
Emily Hue, queer/ gender & sexuality studies, diaspora studies, performance, visual art, Asian American studies
Jennifer Kelly, Palestine, solidarity, tourism, comparative colonialisms, queer studies, transnational feminisms
Mariat Lam, Literature, Film, Arts, Area Studies, Critical Race & Ethnic Studies
Julia Lee, Asian American literature and culture, African American literature and culture
Jerry Miller, Race, Theory, African American Studies, Ethics, Gen/Sex Studies
Nick Mitchell, Feminist Theory, Critical University Studies, Marxism, Race and Ethnic Studies
Natalia Molina, Latinx Studies/Immigration/Race and Space
Dana Murillo, Ethnohistory, Latin America, women, early modern
Anjali Nath, Militarization Studies, Critical Ethnic Studies, Transnational American Studies
Bettina Ngweno, Space, Citizenship, Race, Ethnicity, Property, Indian Ocean, Africa, Latin America
Ben Olguín, Literature, Art, Popular Culture, Politics, Ideology, Revolution
Felicity Schaeffer, Feminist Science and Technology, Latin American-Latinx Borderlands
SA Smythe*, Black liberation, citizenship, colonial exchange between Europe & Africa
Eric Stanley, trans/queer studies, postcolonial theory, critical theory

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Arts & Humanities
Pineview Room

9:00 – 9:30  Jolie Chea  
(Cambodian refugees, US Empire)  
*This Is War: The Politics of Refuge and the Logic of Incorporation*

9:30 – 10:00  Loubna Qutami  
(Palestine, Refugees, Youth Movements, Transnational Struggle)  
*Contested Movement(s): Politics, Solidarity and the Nation for Palestinian Refugee Youth*

10:00 – 10:30  Dena Al-Adeeb  
(Postcolonial Studies, Visual and Cultural Studies, Contemporary Art, Architecture)  
*The Architecture of War: The U.S. Invasion of Iraq and Its Cultural Engineering Project*

10:30 – 10:45  BREAK

10:45 – 11:15  Heather Akbarzadeh  
(Dance & Performance studies, Transnational feminist & queer theories, Diasporic Iranian St.)  
*Dor Iranian Dancers Need Saving? Savior Spectatorship and the Production of Iranian Dancers as 'Objects of Rescue'*

11:15 – 11:45  Anna Boncompagni  
(Social epistemology, hinge epistemology, epistemic injustice, feminism, queer studies)  
*New philosophical perspectives for the study of prejudice*

12:00 – 1:00  LUNCH

1:00 – 1:30  Yue Chavez  
(Native American and Latin American art, California missions)  
*Indigenizing California Mission Art Studies*

1:30 – 2:00  Felicia Lopez  
(Race, Culture, gender, indigenous languages and writing)  
*Women, Gender, and Sexuality in the Central Mexican Codices: Challenging Conceptions of an Aztec Patriarchy*

2:00 – 2:30  Jasmin Young  
(African American History/Studies, Gender Studies, History)  
*“It is our duty to defend all oppressed peoples”: Armed Resistance as a Feminist Strategy for Liberation*

2:30 – 2:45  BREAK

2:45 – 3:15  Christopher Chamberlin  
(Black studies, feminist theory, critical theory, psychoanalysis, medical humanities)  
*Gender Trouble in the Antiracist Clinic: Sexuality and Segregation After Jim Crow*

3:15 – 3:45  Wrap-up and Networking
Life Sciences

MODERATORS
Farid Chehab, Obesity, Cholesterol Biosynthesis, Glioblastoma, Molecular Diagnostics
Ameae Walker, Cancer, Immunology, Endocrinology

AUDIENCE MEMBERS
Elizabeth Bjork, Human learning & memory, applications of findings from the science of learning
Robert Bjork, Human Learning and Memory
Sergio Ita*, Infectious diseases, host immune responses, Genomics
Christine Ponder, genetics, Molecular and Cellular Biology
Peter Ramirez*, Infectious Diseases, Microbiology, Immunology
Angelica Riestra*, Microbiology/Parasitolgy
Rolando Ruiz*, Skin Biology, Cell Biology, Bioinformatics
Celia Symons*, Aquatic ecology, climate change
Roberto Tinoco, Immunology
Susan Ustin, Ecological applications of remote sensind data

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9:00 – 9:30  **Steven Pan**  
(Cognitive psychology, learning and memory, education)  
*Interleaved practice: effects of training sequence on learning, remembering, and transfer*

9:30 – 10:00  **Dequina Nicholas**  
(Immunology and Metabolic Disease)  
*Fatty Acid Metabolites Combine with Inefficient β oxidation to activate Th17 Inflammation in Human Type 2 Diabetes*

10:00 – 10:30  **Michelle Antoine**  
(synaptic and circuit homeostasis in the normal and diseased brain)  
*Synaptic and circuit homeostasis in mouse models of Autism*

10:30 – 10:45  **BREAK**

10:45 – 11:15  **Anum Glasgow**  
(protein biophysics)  
*Computational design of a modular sense/response system*

11:15 – 11:45  **Didem Sarikaya**  
(How cell signaling pathways evolve to affect adult health)  
*The ecology and cell biology of life history evolution*

12:00 – 1:00  **LUNCH**

1:00 – 1:30  **Catera Wilder**  
(systems biology, mathematical modeling, dynamic cellular signaling, innate immune response)  
*Interferon type-specific control of ISGF3 dynamics*

1:30 – 2:00  **Christian Guerrero-Juarez**  
(Regenerative Medicine/Single cell genomics/Innate Immunity/Human skin disorders)  
*Single cell analyses reveals fibroblast heterogeneity and adipocyte progenitors in murine skin wounds*

2:00 – 2:30  **Emily Delaney**  
(Genetics, genomics, and evolution)  
*Making females female: on the many ways to evolve female-specific traits*

2:30 – 2:45  **BREAK**

2:45 – 3:15  **Suzanne Pierre**  
(global environmental change, biogeochemistry, microbial ecology, plant ecology)  
*Terrestrial Plant and Microbial Nutrient Limitation: Global Change Drivers and Mechanisms*

3:15 – 3:45  **Marilia Palumbo Gaiarsa**  
(Ecology, species interactions, global change, biodiversity conservation)  
*Robustness, structure, and interaction flexibility in mutualisms*

3:45-4:00  Wrap-up and Networking
Mathematics, Engineering & Physical Sciences

MODERATORS
Tessa Hill, Climate change, Oceanography
Mu-Chun Chen, Theoretical Particle Physics

AUDIENCE MEMBERS
Mei-Chu Chang, Combinatorial number theory, graph theory
Vy Dong, organic chemistry
Mahshid Fardadi*, Control and neuroscience
Alex Frano, Physics, experimental condensed matter, materials
Christine Morrison*, drug discovery, materials chemistry, biochemistry
Aurora Pribram-Jones, density functional theory, chemical physics, electronic structure, high energy density
Erik Romero**, Organometallic Catalysis
Andrew Skemer, Observational Astronomy, Extrasolar Planets

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Mathematics, Engineering & Physical Sciences
Library Room

9:00 – 9:40  Emily Martin
(Brown dwarfs, infrared instrumentation)
*Characterizing Cold Brown Dwarf Atmospheres and Developing Infrared Instrumentation*

9:45 – 10:25  Daniel Akwaboah
(Transition metal catalysis, total synthesis, method development, peptide chemistry)
*Toward the Total Synthesis of Bioactive Constrained Peptides*

10:30 – 11:10  Grace Wu
(Renewable energy, conservation science, land use change, remote sensing)
*The role of land use in renewable energy planning and development*

11:15 – 11:55  Bo Zhang
(Theoretical Ecology)
*Carrying capacity in a heterogeneous environment with habitat connectivity*

12:00 – 1:00  LUNCH

1:00 – 1:40  Anna Ma
(Numerical linear algebra, machine learning, signal processing)
*Randomized Kaczmarz Variants and their Applications to Data Science*

1:45 – 2:25  Rolando de Santiago
(Pure mathematics, operator algebras, group theory, ergodic theory)
*Rigidity in Group von Neumann Algebras*

2:30 -3:10  Ryan McCarty
(Computational Chemistry, Spectroscopy, Materials, Minerals)
*Atom to Application: Multidisciplinary chemistry for understanding materials*

3:15 – 3:45  Wrap-up and Networking
Social Sciences & Professional Fields

MODERATORS

Tanya Golash-Boza, Race, Immigration, Incarceration, Deportation
Julie Sze, environmental, urban and ethnic studies

AUDIENCE MEMBERS

Leisy Abrego, International Migration, Gender, Latina/o/x Studies
Theresa Ambo*, Indigenous education, equity, inclusion, and diversity, tribal-university partnerships
Veronica Castillo-Munoz, The U.S.-Mexico Borderlands, Gender, and Migrations
James Doucet-Battle, Health disparities, Science, Technology, and Society (ST&S), Race, Gender
Hanna Garth, Cuba/Caribbean, Los Angeles, Food, Race, Inequality, Consumption,
Gregorio Gonzales*, race, ethnicity, and indigeneity
Mimi Ito, Connected Learning
Anthony Jerry, Race, citizenship, Mexico, Latin America, development, Black Diaspora
Charlton McIlwain, the role of race and media in politics and social life
Kylie Peppler, Arts, Learning, New Technologies, Digital Equity
Robert Romero, Religious Studies, Chicano/Latino History, Asian-Latino Studies
Damien Sojoyner, Prisons, Education, Environment, Policy, Urban Anthropology, Race, Methods
Brenda Stevenson, Race, Gender, Slavery, Family, American South
Courtney Thomas Tobin, stress and coping, mental-physical health comorbidity, African American health

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Social Sciences & Professional Fields
Cedar Lodge, 3rd Floor

9:00 – 9:40  Alexander Cho
(Social media, race, gender, sexuality)
Default Publicness: Queer Youth of Color, Social Media, and Being Outed by the Machine

9:45 – 10:25  Robert Connell
(Maroons, Critical Environmental Justice Studies, Diaspora Theory, State Theory)
Maroon Ecology: Land, Sovereignty, and Environmental Justice

10:30 – 11:10  Lauren Whitehurst
(Sleep, cognitive neuroscience, autonomic physiology, health disparities)
Sleep’s role for cognitive function

11:15 – 11:55  Colleen Cheverko
(Biological anthropology, archaeology, bioarchaeology, health disparities)
Associations between childhood stress and adult mortality in precontact central California:
Applications of the Developmental Origins hypothesis

12:00 – 1:00  LUNCH

1:00 – 1:40  Ayana Omilade Fiewellen
(African Diaspora Archaeology)
A Black Feminist Archaeology of Sartorial Choice From Slavery Through Freedom within the African Diaspora

1:45 – 2:25  Justin Dunnavant
(Archaeology, Caribbean, Ecology)
A Historical Ecology of Slavery in the Danish West Indies

2:30 – 3:10  Andrea Headley
(Public Management, Policing, Criminal Justice, Racial Equity)
An Assessment of Police-Community Relations

3:15 – 3:55  Irene Vega
(International Migration, Race/Ethnicity, Socio-Legal Studies)
The Cultural Construction of Reasonableness in Police Use of Force: A Case Study of the U.S. Border Patrol

3:55 – 4:15  Wrap-up and Networking