History of Capitalism Seminar

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2019-2020 CALL FOR PROPOSALS
Submission Deadline: Monday, July 1, 2019

The History of Capitalism Seminar brings together scholars from a wide variety of sub-fields to share their works in progress. Potential topics include racial capitalism, the role of gender in constructing capitalist political economies, class relations, property forms, legal structures, ideological currents, and social movements; networks and flows of capital and commodities; modes and mechanisms of production, market exchange, credit/debt and currency; the organizational and technological coordinates of agriculture, manufacturing, commerce, and finance; rural, regional, urban, and suburban development; public policy, fiscal regimes and taxation, partisan politics, and governmental regulation; patterns of economic growth and crisis; the environmental, ecological, and climatic dimensions of capitalism; illicit trade and underground markets; the links between carcerality and capital accumulation; migration and global and transnational perspectives on capitalism.

The seminar is open to graduate students, independent scholars, and faculty. To maximize time for discussion papers are circulated electronically in advance. Priority is given to individuals at a stage in their research at which they can best benefit from feedback. The Seminar meets on selected Fridays during the academic year, from 3-5 p.m. All meetings take place at the Newberry Library in Chicago, Illinois. Rudi Batzell and Destin Jenkins are the co-coordinators for the 2019-2020 seminar with Elizabeth Tandy Shermer returning as co-coordinator in 2020-2021.

To submit a proposal, please visit our webform at https://www.newberry.org/seminar-proposal-form and upload a one-page proposal, a statement explaining the relationship of the paper to your other work, and a brief CV. Applications will not be accepted via email.

If you are not at present interested in giving a paper but want to receive papers and participate in the discussion, please read our Registration Information found online. The Newberry is unable to provide funds for travel and lodging for presenters and respondents, but can assist in locating discounted accommodations.