



## Graduate Association for African American History

18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference  
October 18-20, 2017

### “From the Archives to Social Media: Exploring Black History, Culture, and Lives”

#### Proposal Guidelines:

We invite graduate and undergraduate students at all levels to submit proposals. We welcome the submission of individual papers, undergraduate posters, complete sessions, workshops, and roundtables on interdisciplinary topics relating to the scholarship and teaching of the history of black people throughout the African Diaspora. We hope to represent a broad range of disciplinary and methodological approaches.

The individual paper proposals should include a 300-word abstract, including a paper title; author contact information; postal address and e-mail address; and brief curriculum vitae.

The organizers of complete sessions should send, in a single submission, abstracts and CVs for each of the paper presenters; 200-word description of the session; and contact information for all participants. Please list audio-visual requirements, if any.

#### Keynote Speaker:

This year's conference will feature a keynote address from Paula Giddings, the Elizabeth A. Woodson 1922 Professor of Africana Studies. She is the author *When and Where I Enter: The Impact on Black Women on Race and Sex in America*; *In Search of Sisterhood: Delta*

*Sigma Theta and the Challenge of the Black Sorority Movement*; and the biography of anti-lynching activist Ida B. Wells, *Ida: A Sword Among Lions*, which won *The Los Angeles Times* Book Prize for Biography and was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle award.

**Deadline:**

The deadline for proposals is **September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**.  
Participants will be notified of acceptance by **September 15<sup>th</sup>**.  
Completed 10-12 page papers must be received no later than **October 6<sup>th</sup>**.

**Memphis State Eight Paper Prize:**

Graduate Papers submitted by **September 29<sup>th</sup>** will be evaluated by a committee of University of Memphis professors for the **Memphis State Eight Paper Prize**, which is awarded to the conference's best paper. The paper prizes include a monetary award.

**Contact Information:**

Please submit all proposals by e-mail to GAAAH President  
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