



GAAAH

Graduate Association for African-American History The University of Memphis

17th Annual Conference
February 10-12, 2016 Memphis, TN

From Slavery to Freedom: The Black Experience throughout the African Diaspora

Proposal Guidelines:

We invite graduate and undergraduate students at all levels to submit proposals. We welcome the submission of individual papers, 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 Dr. Sylvia Diouf. Dr. Diouf is an award-winning historian of the African Diaspora. She is the author of *Slavery's Exiles: The Story of the American Maroons* (2014) and *Servants of Allah: African Muslims Enslaved in the Americas* both with NYU Press. *Servants of Allah* was named Outstanding Academic Book in 1999 and the fifteenth anniversary edition was published in October 2013.

Deadlines:

The submission deadline for proposals is **December 21, 2015**.

Participants will be notified of acceptance by **January 5, 2016**.

Completed 10-12 page papers must be received no later than **January 30, 2016**.

Memphis State Eight Paper Prize:

Graduate Papers submitted by **January 15, 2016** 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 first place prize includes a monetary award. Second and third place papers will also receive recognition.

Contact Information:

Please submit all proposals by e-mail to GAAAH President Rebekkah Mulholland:
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