

CALL FOR PAPERS

2024 Graduate Association for African-American History Conference “Jubilee! 25 Years of GAAAH: African-American History, Activism, and the Archive”

The University of Memphis Graduate Association for African-American History (GAAAH) is composed of graduate students studying topics relating to the art, life, and culture of Black people throughout the Diaspora. The conference provides graduate students from around the country an opportunity to present their research, receive critical feedback, and network.

Proposal Guidelines:

GAAAH will host its annual conference on February 15-16, 2024, at the University of Memphis Maxime A. Smith University Center. 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 in relation to the scholarship and teaching of the history of Black people throughout the African diaspora. We seek to present a broad range of disciplinary and methodological approaches.

The individual paper proposals should consist of a 300-word abstract and a paper title; the author’s contact information, including mailing and e-mail address and phone number; and a brief curriculum vitae or resume.

The organizers of complete sessions, which should consist of no more than 3 or 4 panelists, should e-mail a single submission containing abstracts and curricula vitae for each of the presenters; a 200-word description of the session; and contact information for all participants, including their mailing and e-mail address and phone number.

Please list all required audio-video requirements, if any.

Deadlines:

The submission deadline for proposals is **December 31, 2023**. Participants will be notified of acceptance by **January 14, 2024**.

Complete 10-12 page papers must be received no later than **January 31, 2024**.

The Memphis State Eight Paper Prize:

Graduate paper proposals submitted by **December 31, 2023**, will be evaluated by a committee of University of Memphis professors for the Memphis State Eight Paper Prize, which is awarded to the GAAAH Conference best paper. Complete papers must be sent in by **January 31, 2024**.

First, second, and third-place winners will receive a monetary award.

Contact Information:

Please submit all proposals by e-mail to GAAAH (gaaahuofm@gmail.com).

If you have any questions, please e-mail our President Paola Cavallari (pcvllari@memphis.edu) or our Faculty Advisor Dr. Brian Kwoba (bwkwoba@memphis.edu).