

March 9 & 10, 2018

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**James A. Rawley**  
**Conference in the Humanities**

**Welcome Packet**

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of History  
History Graduate Students Association

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## Conference Details

The 2018 James A. Rawley Conference in the Humanities will be held in the newly-opened Cather Complex, located at 530 N. 17th Street, Lincoln, NE. All conference events for Friday, March 9 and Saturday, March 10, will be held in that building.

All panel presentations will take place on Saturday, March 10. Each panel will consist of up to four graduate student speakers; each speaker will have 12-15 minutes to present. Additionally, each panel will have a faculty chair and commentator, who will read the papers in advance, introduce the presenters, provide comment on each paper and on the panel as a whole, and moderate the Q&A portion.

*Please note that UNL is an alcohol- and tobacco-free campus at all times.*

## Keynote Presentations

Both the evening and luncheon keynotes are free and open to the public. In addition, as a panel speaker, your lunch will be provided on Saturday. In order to give an accurate count for catering and to gather information on dietary restrictions, you will need to RSVP via Eventbrite. The link is: <http://bit.ly/2Clswr5>. Use the promotional code PANELSPEAKER to RSVP to the luncheon keynote as a presenter. This will provide your meal ticket for the luncheon.

## Paper Submission Deadline

All papers must be submitted to the conference organizers via email **no later than February 15, 2018**. In addition to being distributed to panel chairs, the papers will be reviewed by a pool of blind readers, who will select the winner of the Distinguished Paper Award. Papers should be sent to [hgsa.rawley@gmail.com](mailto:hgsa.rawley@gmail.com) with the subject line "Rawley 2018 Final Paper Submission – [Last Name, First Name]."

## Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday, March 9, 2018

Welcome & Evening Keynote 5:30PM - 7:30PM

Grad Student Mixer 7:30PM - 8:30PM

*Yia Yia's Pizza & Beer, 1423 E. "O" Street*

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Registration & Check-In 9:00AM - 9:30AM

Panel Session I 9:30AM - 10:30AM

Panel Session II 10:45AM - 11:45AM

Luncheon & Keynote 12:00PM - 1:30PM

Panel Session III 1:45PM - 2:45PM

Conference Concludes 3:00PM

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**Lodging**

Lodging near the conference is plentiful, thanks to the central location of UNL's City Campus. The following hotels are located within convenient walking distance of campus:

- Courtyard by Marriott Lincoln Downtown/Haymarket
- Hilton Garden Inn Lincoln Downtown/Haymarket
- Embassy Suites Lincoln
- Graduate Lincoln
- Hyatt Place Lincoln/Downtown

You may also consider Airbnb to find very affordable lodging for the conference. Some options will be close to campus, while others may require a car. Lincoln does have a bus service, traditional taxi service, and Uber, should you choose a more distant lodging option.

**Grad Student Mixer**

After the Friday evening keynote, an informal mixer hosted by the UNL History Graduate Students Association will be held at Yia Yia's Pizza & Beer (1423 E. "O" Street). This is an opportunity for you to meet current UNL graduate students and other panel speakers over dinner and drinks! A full menu and prices can be found at <http://yiyiaspizzaandbeer.com>.

**Things to Do in Lincoln**

UNL's City Campus is located adjacent to both downtown and the Haymarket district. Here you will find numerous options for food, drink, and entertainment within easy walking distance of the campus. Some personal favorites are A Novel Idea (used bookstore), Barrymore's (bar), Leadbelly (food & drink), and Ivanna Cone (ice cream & homemade waffle cones!).

**Key Contact Information**

For questions in advance of the conference, including logistical questions, please email the organizers at [hgsa.rawley@gmail.com](mailto:hgsa.rawley@gmail.com). Your email will be answered as quickly as possible.

For emergency or day-of questions, call or text the conference organizers directly.