Seth Koven (History) and Judith Surkis (History), co-directors

Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings held, 11:15-1:15, 88 College Ave. (lunch will be served)

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Sept. 1: Introductory meeting and readings: “Humanitarianism and the Human”

Sept. 15: Didier Fassin (School of Social Science, IAS), Keynote Lecture: “The Moral Economy of Asylum,” 4:30-6 (Pane Room, Alexander Library); Reception to follow


Sept. 29: John Marshall (History, Johns Hopkins), “Islam, Toleration and the Enlightenment,” RCHA/RBSC/Distinguished European History Lecture, 4:30-6 (Pane Room, Alexander Library); Reception to follow


Oct. 6: Anna Clark (History, U of Minn), Seminar: “Ethical Subjects in the Victorian Age”; Lecture: “Humanitarianism and Human Rights in the British Empire, 1890-1902,” Distinguished European History/Rutgers British Studies/Department of English Lecture, 4:30-6 (Hageman Hall, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, 35 Seminary Place); Reception to follow


Oct. 27: Kevin Grant (History, Hamilton College), “The Rule of Exceptions: Hunger Strikes, Fasts, and Political Prisoner Status in Britain, Ireland, and India, 1897-1946”

Nov. 3: Özge Serin (RCHA postdoctoral fellow, Rutgers), “The Sovereign Lapse: The Death Fast and the Political”


Nov. 17: Kate Imy (History, Rutgers), "Food and 'The Contagion of Hinduism' in the British Indian Army, 1900-1940"

Dec. 1: April Mayes (History, Pomona College) and Teach-In on “Race, Citizenship in Haiti and the Dominican Republic” (co-sponsor Center for Latin American Studies, and Critical Caribbean Studies)

Dec. 8: Leah Devun (History and RCHA Fellow, Rutgers), "Animal Appetites: Hermaphrodites and the Boundaries of the Human in the Middle Ages"