

CFP: CHCI Medical and Health Humanities Network Summer Institute Columbia Global Centers | Paris

June 14-15, 2019

“Health Beyond Borders”

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Human health is shaped by borders—from the protected space of the hospital to the international boundaries that govern the health of populations. But even as borders offer a way of delineating health and disease in physical space, the border itself is often understood as a boundary to be transcended or a frontier to be crossed. The notion of moving beyond borders helps to make sense of broader trends in global health, from debates about migration, contested sovereignty, and environmental accords to the boundary-crossing work of clinicians such as the Médecins sans frontières. Within the medical and health humanities, the border provides a rich zone for investigation into how well-being is constituted across a continuum of individuals and populations. Importantly, at the heart of the concept of the border is the issue of representation: borders are necessarily shaped as much by human expression as they are by physical markers.

This conference explores the interdisciplinary facets of the border, from the metaphorical to the political: What counts as a border in an embodied, geographical, legal, or artistic context? What are the debates around borders in medical practice, from hospitalist medicine to epidemiology? How and why do health practitioners refer to the border for its rhetorical power, and how does the border work productively as a figure in narrative medicine, medical memoirs, and creative literature? What are the processes and structures that define well-being across borders, from nationalist immigration policies to environmental protections? How do we understand efforts to confront, dismantle, or transcend borders in healthcare? What role do borders play in the formation of state-sanctioned health policies, and how might these enable or obstruct initiatives in global health? And how might the concept of the boundary reshape our visions of a future health beyond borders?

Keynote Speakers

Jens Brockmeier (The American University of Paris), Ghada Hatem (Maison des Femmes, Paris),

Samuel Roberts (Columbia University), Craig Spencer (Columbia University)

Call for Papers

We invite proposals for traditional 20-minute papers (350-word abstracts), and for complete panels (350-word abstracts for each paper accompanied by a cover-letter describing the aims of the panel as a whole). All papers are subject to the vetting of the conference committee.

Deadline for paper proposals and complete panels: **January 15, 2019.**

Please send all proposals to Liz Bowen. All proposals must include your name, academic affiliation (if any), and preferred email address. Questions may be addressed to Dr. Loren Wolfe (lw2505@columbia.edu) and Dr. Arden Hegele (aah2155@columbia.edu).

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Access and support requirements: The conference is located at Columbia Global Centers | Paris (Reid Hall), in Montparnasse. If you have any access or support requirements please let us know as soon as possible so that we can do our best to facilitate your needs.

CFP: Health Humanities Summer School: Columbia Global Centers Paris and Alliance Network

Columbia Global Centers | Paris

June 17-19 2019

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As part of this Summer Institute, and partnering with the Alliance Network, we are organizing a 3-day intensive summer school on June 17-19, following the conference (June 14-15). We invite applications from graduate students and early career researchers from a range of disciplines, including but not limited to anthropology, cultural studies, gender studies, history, journalism, law, languages, literatures, medicine, narrative medicine, psychology, political science, peace studies, film, audio-visual arts, theatre studies, and the creative and performing arts to apply for this international, cross-disciplinary summer school. Faculty and participants of the summer school will

explore perspectives, approaches, frameworks, and frames of reference on the topic of the health and medical humanities.

The summer school will be delivered through a range of seminars, discussions, participant presentations, workshops, film and performance viewings, and site visits. Participants will present a workshop paper at the summer school which will be pre-circulated to faculty and fellow participants prior to arrival. Participants are expected to engage and contribute to every aspect of the summer school.

Through this summer school, we are hoping to inspire a network of scholars in the area of health humanities to continue to support and work with one another after the summer school has ended. We accept applications from medical doctors, graduate students, and early career researchers who received their PhD after September 2013. We are committed to assembling a diverse and inclusive academic community. Toward this end, we especially encourage applications from members of underrepresented groups and those whose interests contribute to realizing this goal.

Application

If you would like to apply for the Health Humanities Summer School, please send a CV, brief statement of interest, and 350-word paper abstract to Liz Bowen by January 15, 2019. You will be required to enroll at the CHCI Medical and Health Humanities Network Summer Institute on June 14-15 (student rates available).

We will notify successful applicants by the beginning of March. Funding opportunities are available for a limited number of Columbia graduate students to travel to the summer school .

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