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SAN ANTONIO GLOBAL HEALTH HUMANITIES SYMPOSIUM

OCTOBER 21-23, 2024

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A SYMPOSIUM BRINGING TOGETHER AN INTERDISCIPLINARY
AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY GROUP OF HEALTH HUMANITIES
SCHOLARS.



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San Antonio Global Health Humanities Symposium
Coates Chapel, University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA), SW Campus
San Antonio TX
October 21-23, 2024

Organizational Committee:

Lead Organizer: Dr. Cindy Ermus, University of Texas at San Antonio/University of Nebraska-Lincoln
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Dr. Nicole Carr, Texas A&M University-San Antonio
Dr. Zenon Culverhouse, University of the Incarnate Word
Dr. Josh Doty, St. Mary's University
Dr. Glenn Martinez, University of Texas at San Antonio
Dr. Lida Sarafrazarpatapeh, University of Texas at San Antonio
Dr. Melissa Wallace, University of Texas at San Antonio

DAY 1 (Mon.):

9-9:30am: Breakfast

9:30-10:30am Keynote: Dr. Jim Downs, Gilder Lehrman-National Endowment for the Humanities Professor of Civil War Studies and History at Gettysburg College

15-minute break

10:45-12:00 SESSION 1: "On Inequality"

Chair: Glenn Martinez, UTSA, Dean of the College of Liberal and Fine Arts

Shamshad Khan, UTSA, Department of Communications, Associate Professor
"Media representations of racial/health disparities during the COVID-19 pandemic"

Sean M. Viña, University of the Incarnate Word, Department of Sociology, Assistant Professor
"Navigating Pitfalls: Exploring the Dark Side of Psychedelic Legalization on Treatment-Seeking Behaviors"

Jerry Romero Jr., UTSA, Department of Bicultural-Bilingual Studies, Ph.D. Fellow in Culture, Literacy, and Language
"Queering the Medical Gaze: Challenging Queer and Trans Oppression in Medical Diagnostic Practices"

12:00-1:05: LUNCH (no speaker)

1:15-2:30pm SESSION 2: “Medical Humanities and the Arts”

Chair: Nicole Carr, Texas A&M University-San Antonio, Department of Language, Literature, and Arts, Assistant Professor

Tracy Cowden, UTSA, Director, School of Music, Roland K. Blumberg Endowed Professor in Music

“Arts on Prescription as a Global Health Initiative”

Guillermina Zabala Suarez, UTSA, Philosophy and Classics, Professor of Practice

“Documenting Health Issues through Digital Media”

Catherine M. Befi-Hensel, MT BC, University of the Incarnate Word, Department of Music, Assistant Professor & Music Therapy Program Director

“Evidence-Based Strategies for Musical Self-Care”

*** Reception to follow (2:30-3:30) with remarks from Dean Glenn Martinez, UTSA, College of Liberal and Fine Arts.**

DAY 2 (Tues.):

9-9:30am: Breakfast

9:30-10:30am Keynote: Dr. Keisha Ray, Associate Professor at the McGovern Center for Humanities & Ethics and Director of the McGovern Center’s Medical Humanities Scholarly Concentration, as well as the Longitudinal Themes Director for McGovern Medical School

15-minute break

10:45-12:00 SESSION 1: “Pedagogical Strategies for Global Competencies in the Medical Interpreting Classroom”

Chair: Melissa Wallace, UTSA, Modern Languages, Associate Professor

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“Internationalizing the Medical Interpreting Curriculum with Virtual Exchange”

Michelle Pinzl, Viterbo University, Department of English and World Languages, Associate Professor

“High-Impact Practices and Community-Engaged Strategies in the Medical Interpreting Classroom”

Rey Romero, University of Houston, Downtown, Department of History, Humanities, and Languages, Associate Professor of Spanish

“The Novel *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down* as a Third Space in the Medical Humanities Classroom: Reflections on Language Access and Cultural Competency”

12:00-1:05: LUNCH (no speaker)

1:15-2:30pm SESSION 2: “Approaches to Community Health in the Medieval Humanities”

Chair: Josh Doty, St. Mary’s University, Department of English Literature and Language, Department Chair and Associate Professor

Kimberly Fonzo, UTSA, Department of English, Associate Professor

“Preparing the Community for Death in Medieval and Modern Drama”

Xiaoyi Zhang, UTSA, Department of English, Assistant Professor

“Bodies and Emotions in Medieval Italy”

James Roberts, UTSA, Department of English, MA Student

“*The Trotula, Fabliaux*, and Medical Conceptions of Female Sexuality in Medieval Europe”

DAY 3 (Wed.) – Student Day:

9-9:30am: Breakfast

9:30-10:30am Keynote: Dr. Whitney Chappell, Associate Professor, Modern Languages and Literatures, UTSA

15-minute break

10:45-12:00 SESSION 1: “Care and the Individual in Health Humanities”

Chair: Melissa Wallace, Modern Languages, Associate Professor

Jessica Reid, UTSA, Department of Anthropology, PhD Candidate

“Care and Recovery Across the Spectrum: The Evolution from Clinical to Nonclinical Spaces”

Micaela Bermea, UTSA, Department of Anthropology, Graduate Student

“Dementia in the American Cultural Imaginary: A Cross-Cultural Examination of Personhood”

Soojin Luna, St. Mary’s University, Department of English Literature and Language, Graduate Student

“From Darkness to a Certain Slant of Light: The Vitality of Macabre Literature in Medicine”

12:00-1:05: LUNCH & STUDENT POSTER SESSION (FROM 12-12:30PM)

1:15-2:30pm SESSION 2: “Ethical Questions in Health Humanities Perspective”

Chair: Zenon Culverhouse, University of the Incarnate Word, Department of Philosophy, Associate Professor

Katelyn Damon, UTSA, Undergraduate Student
“Type 1 Diabetes in the Media”

Baylor Frandsen and Nathan Smith, University of the Incarnate Word, Undergraduate Students
“Chained to Bed: The Ethics of Treating ‘Dangerous’ Patients in Prisons”

Camilla Truax, UTSA, Undergraduate Student
“Ethics of Ectogestation and Potential Impact on Fetal Mortality Rates”

*** Symposium officially concludes after session 2 on day 3, with brief remarks by Dean Glenn Martinez, UTSA, College of Liberal and Fine Arts.**

UTSA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT POSTERS (12-12:30PM ON DAY 3) BY:

Alexia Araujo, “Gut Feeling”

Lizabeth Blum, “Untitled”

Manuel Bocanegra, “Untitled”

Samantha Casarez, “Social Determinants of Health and Their Impacts”

Breahna Luera-Tullock, “Unveiling Bias: A Comparative Analysis of Antebellum Southern Physicians Galt and Cartwright in the Treatment of African American Madness”

Ariana Oria, “Period (boys edition)”

Rianne Williams, “The Impact of Asthma in Bexar County: Challenges and Solutions”