

George Mason University
HIST-810: Doctoral Colloquium, Spring 2012

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Office Hours: Monday, 1:30-3:00, after colloquium, or by appointment: ckierner@gmu.edu

****Note that all meetings are at 5:30 in the Gold Room in the Johnson Center, except for Monday 6 February (when we will meet at the National Archives) and Monday 16 April (when we will be in the JC 3rd Floor Meeting Room F).**

In order to receive a "Satisfactory" grade for this course, students must do the following:

- Attend colloquium. Each student may have one absence without penalty per semester. Additional absences require make-up work, typically in the form of a written report (minimum 2 pages) on a visit to a historical site or museum exhibit or attendance at a scholarly lecture. I am open to other suggestions, but all make-up work must include a written component and must be submitted before the last colloquium meeting in April.
- Contribute comments to the blog for *all* prospectuses by the time they are presented to colloquium.

Our schedule for the spring semester is as follows:

Monday 23 January: Welcome Back!: Open meeting/discussion about issues pertaining to the Ph.D. program and its students. Officers in the History grad student organization requested this meeting, which both the Ph.D. Director and Department Chair will attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Monday 6 February: National Archives and Records Administration (D.C.). Our prearranged session will begin at 4:00 p.m. Details about where to meet TBA.

Monday 20 February: Prof. Matthew Mulcahy, Loyola University Maryland, "That Fatal Spot': The Rise and Fall --and Rise and Fall Again--of Port Royal Jamaica."

Monday 5 March: Turning Seminar Papers into Conference Presentations and Journal Articles. Papers by Richard Hardesty and Dan Ludington (to be pre-circulated). Comments by Prof. John Nauright (School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism) and Prof. Randolph Scully (Department of History and Art History).

Monday 19 March: Recent Books from GMU Faculty. Prof. Marion Deshmukh, *Max Liebermann and International Modernism*; Prof. Meredith Lair, *Armed with Abundance: Consumerism and Soldiering in the Vietnam War*.

Monday 2 April: Prof. Paul Miller, McDaniel College, "Reckoning with the Great War: Remembering the Sarajevo Assassination."

Monday 16 April: Presentation of Dissertation Prospectuses

Monday 30 April: Presentation of Dissertation Prospectuses