

31st History of Medicine Days Friday, March 25th, 2022

Program



Developed as an online conference, based on "Zoom Video, Communications, Inc.,"
 Zoom® link to register:

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9:00 am - 9:30 am

9:00 am Welcome

Dr. Frank W. Stahnisch - Conference Chair

9:05 am Welcoming Addresses

Dr. Jon Meddings – Dean, Cumming School of Medicine Dr. George Colpitts – Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts Gail Paech – CEO, AMS Healthcare

9:20 am Introduction: HMD's Conference and History of Medicine in Calgary

Dr. Frank W. Stahnisch – AMF/Hannah Professorship in the History of Medicine and Health Care

Special Feature Lecture & Discussion

Learning Objectives: critically evaluating Canada's stance towards vaccination and antivaccination during the course of the 19th century.

Chair: Dr. Frank W. Stahnisch

"The Origins of Anti-Vaccination in Canada: A Case Study of Vaccine Opposition in Montreal, 1870–1885"

Dr. Paula Larsson

(Centre for the History of Science, Medicine and Technology, Oxford University, UK)

SESSION 1 – "History of Medicine in East Asia"

Learning Objectives: appraising of and reflecting on East Asia's diverse and complex heritage in the history of medicine and health care.

10:15 am - 11:00 am Chair: Dr. Tinu Ruparell, Dept. of Classics and Religion, U of C

- What was the Epidemic Disease of 1259 that Infected the Mongol Army in China? –
 Stephen Pow (University of Calgary)
- Life Expectancy in the Nascent People's Republic of China: The Role of Barefoot Doctors –
 Arjun Patel (Western University)

11:00 am - 11:30 am "Virtual Coffee Break" (preferred Zoom rooms)



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Keynote Lecture & Discussion Chair: Dr. Frank W. Stahnisch

Learning Objectives: discussing and assessing the influences of sociopolitical contexts on the mental health situations and related challenges during historical times of pandemics.

'Epidemics' Socio-psychological Side Effects from Plagues of the Fifthcentury BCE to Covid-19'

Dr. Samuel K. Cohn

Professor, Department of History, University of Glasgow, Scotland

(in conjunction with the Calgary History of Medicine Society, the C.–S.T.E.M.S. Project, the History of Neuroscience Interest Group, and the O'Brien Institute for Public Health)

12:45 pm – 1:40 pm Lunch Break (preferred Zoom rooms open from 12:30 pm)

SESSION 2 - "History of Public Health"

Learning Objectives: acquiring a solid appreciation for the creation, development, and use of public health theories, practices, and programs.

1:45 pm –2:45 pm Chair: **Dr. Samuel K. Cohn – Department of History, University of Glasgow, UK**

- 3. Ignorance or Bliss? The Impact of Globalization and Medical Theory on the Societal Response to the 1989 Russian Flue Chris Zajner (Western University)
- 4. The Rise of Complementary and Alternative Medicine and Its Modern Context in the West Simran Ghoman (University of Calgary)
- 5. Untold Medical History: Montreal's Days of Shame Lilly Groszman (McGill University)
- 6. Searching for Precedent of Shifting Public Health Messaging A Case Study of Tuberculosis Public Health Posters, 1910s–1960s Claire Vannelli (Western University)
- 7. The "Feeble Minded" as Criminal Degenerate: Eugenics, Intelligence Testing, and Sterilization in Alberta, 1928–1972 Omar Mahamed (University of Calgary)

2:50 pm - 3:15 pm Break

SESSION 3 – "Trauma, Healing, and Recovery"

Learning Objectives: distinguishing the diverse social, historical, and legal implications of residential schools, structural racism, as well as eugenics-oriented racist theories since the 19^{th} century.



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3:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Chair: Dr. Paula Larsson – Centre for the History of Science, Medicine, and Technology, Oxford University, UK

- 8. The Impact of the Eugenics Program on Indigenous' People's Health and Wellbeing in Canada and the USA **Kobe Eagletail (University of Calgary)**
- 9. Mistrust Built Through History: Healthcare Failures with Canadian Metis Communities and the Implications Carried Through to Today **Bianca Pollock (University of Calgary)**
- 10. Technology and Trauma in Rural and Northern Obstetrics— Danielle Cossey-Sutton (Vancouver Island University)

SESSION 4 - "Health, Religion, and the Conditio Humana"

Learning Objectives: acquiring a solid appreciation for the influence, meaning, and centrality of the spiritual dimension in medicine.

4:00 pm – 4:45 pm Chair: Dr. Arafaat Valiani – Department of History, University of Oregon, USA

- 11. Who are You Calling a Witch? The Historical Development of Magic and Witchcraft on Midwifery and Women's Health Ishita Aggarwal (Queen's University)
- 12. Paradoxes of Pain: A Historical Approach to Analyzing an Enigma of the Human Condition Janelle Beaven (University of Calgary)

4:45 pm - 5:30 pm

Special Feature – Award Session Michael & Michelle Williams Award in Science, Technology, Environment, and Medicine Studies

Chairs: **Dr. Frank W. Stahnisch** and **Dr. Michael Williams – Department of Computer Science**

Bestowment of Certificate and Project Presentation by the 2022 Graduate Student Awardee:

Michael & Michelle Williams Award Recipient – University of Calgary

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm Happy Hour