

# Third Wave Fourth Wave Critical Turn?

## COMPARATIVE-HISTORICAL SOCIOLOGY MINI-CONFERENCE 2025

AUGUST 7 – UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHICAGO – LECTURE CENTER F  
REGISTRATION & COFFEE – 9 AM

ROOM 1 | 9:30 AM - 10:45 PM

### OPENING PLENARY: REMAKING MODERNITY AT 20

**JULIA ADAMS - ELISABETH S. CLEMENS - ANN SHOLA ORLOFF**

MODERATORS: CEDRIC DE LEON & JONAH STUART BRUNDAGE

ROOM 1 | 11 AM- 12:30 PM

### PUTTING THE 'POLITICAL' IN POLITICAL ECONOMY

DISCUSSANT: YUERAN ZHANG - UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

**DEVIN WIGGS & YOUNG KANG**

"Financialized Fiscal Politics: New York State Public-Sector Pensions and the Transit Workers' Union"

**EYLEM TAYLAN**

"The Uneven Neoliberalization of Communist Dispositions: The Radical Left Resurgence in the Age of Austerity"

**CONRAD JACOB**

"Much Ado about Regulation Q: Citibank, the Gray Panthers, and the Unravelling of the New Deal Financial Order"

**QIN HUANG**

"Legacies of Liberalism: Political Agency and the Making of Regional Economies in China"

ROOM 3 | 11 AM- 12:30 PM

### HISTORICAL REGIMES OF LABOR & POPULATION CONTROL

DISCUSSANT: ANNA SKARPELIS - CUNY QUEENS COLLEGE

**JINGTING LIANG**

"A Tale of Two Systems: Food-delivery Platform Architecture in China and the US"

**HYUNKU KWON**

"Black Troops and the Return of King Cotton in the Postbellum US South, 1865-1880"

**YEON-HWA LEE**

"Population for Civilization: The Aspiration for Whiteness in (Post)colonial Korea"

**LUISA FARAH SCHWARTZMAN**

"Beyond 'race' and 'modernity': technologies, practices and categories of difference-making at the beginning of the Atlantic slave trade"

**LUNCH: 12:30 PM - 1:15 PM**

ROOM 1 | 1:15 AM - 2:45 PM

## INFRASTRUCTURAL, ECOLOGICAL, AND URBAN TERRAINS OF STRUGGLE

DISCUSSANT: BEN BRADLOW - PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

**ARCHANA RAMANUJAM**

"Between capital and subject? Negotiating environmental policy under Dutch colonialism in Curaçao, 1915 - 1938"

**LIZA WEINSTEIN**

"Comparative Genealogies: Cumulative Logics of India's World Class City Evictions"

**SELEN GÜLER**

"Building State Power from Below: Taxation and Subnational State Formation"

**JULIÁN GÓMEZ-DELGADO**

"The Rise of the Creditor State: Public Banking and Debt in Colombia's Developmental Journey, 1930s-1980s"

ROOM 3 | 1:15 AM - 2:45 PM

## THEORIZING THE ANTINOMIES OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS

DISCUSSANT: SWATI BIRLA - SUNY NEW PLATZ

**MARCEL PARET & ZACHARY LEVENSON**

"Communists and Black Liberation Movements: Divergent Trajectories in the United States and South Africa, 1939-1969"

**AUSTIN H. VO**

"Varieties of Decolonization: How Alliances Enabled and Constrained Anticolonial Strategy in Vietnam and Senegal"

**SIMEON J. NEWMAN**

"Capitalism + Democracy + Socialist Reforms = Dictatorship"

**MUSHAHID HUSSAIN**

Democracy without Hegemony? Thoughts on Class Formation and Party Politics in the Aftermath of the Bangladesh's Monsoon Uprising

ROOM 1 | 3 PM - 4:30 PM

## LIMITS OF MODERNITY REVISITED

DISCUSSANT: VEDA KIM - OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

**ISAAC REED**

"Action and Hierarchy in Historical Sociology"

**FRANCO BARCHIESI**

"Of Waves and Tides: The Challenge of Blackness to Historical Sociology"

**JAE KYUN KIM**

"Antiblackness as Modernity's Historical A Priori: The Binary That Generates"

**MUHAMMAD AMASHA**

"Historicizing Remaking Modernity: What Modernist Historical Sociology Misses and How to Fix It"

ROOM 3 | 3 PM - 4:30 PM

## RETHINKING HISTORICAL PROCESSES

DISCUSSANT: TAD SKOTNICKI - UNC GREENSBORO

**JACK JIN GARY LEE**

"Towards 'the Presence of the Now': Historical Ethnography and the Macro-Phenomenology of a Changing Empire"

**JEN TRIPLETT**

"On War Footing: Threat Assessments and Could-Be Crises in the 1961 Bay of Pigs Invasion"

**ABIGAIL MOORE**

"Perpetuation as Performative Power: Pragmatist Approaches to Durability and Subtle Change"

**HILLARY ANGELO**

"Climate Change as Macro-Social Change"

ROOM 1 | 4:45 PM - 6 PM

## CLOSING PLENARY: GLOBAL MODERNITIES

**MARYAM ALEMZADEH - ZOPHIA EDWARDS - MINWOO JUNG- KATRINA QUISUMBING KING**

MODERATOR: KAROLINA KOZIURA

**SOCIAL EVENT: AFTER 6PM AT TUFANO'S TAP (CASH, CHECKS, & VENMO ONLY)**