

# 2020 Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies

Friday, 31 January and Saturday, 01 February 2020  
at Ruhr-University Bochum and TU Dortmund University

## Invitation and Call for Papers

The doctoral colloquium *Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies* offers PhD candidates in American Studies from the University Alliance Ruhr (UAR) a forum to present their dissertation projects as work in progress. The UAR consists of the Ruhr-University Bochum, TU Dortmund University, and the University of Duisburg-Essen.

We welcome contributions focusing on the study of American history, culture, media, and literature. Presentations will be discussed by peers, American Studies professors of the three universities, and further senior scholars with a comprehensive perspective on American Studies. Commentators will provide advice and ideas on contents, theoretical foundations, as well as methodology.

If you are interested in participating, please submit your proposal to [ruhrphd@gmail.com](mailto:ruhrphd@gmail.com) by **1 November 2019** including

- title of your presentation
- abstract (max. 300 words)
- a short biographical note (max. 5 sentences)
- technical requirements (notebook, projector, loudspeakers, Internet connection, etc.).

Presentations should **not** exceed 15–20 minutes and will be followed by a discussion.

The final program for the 2020 Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies as well as further information on the conference will be posted at the RuhrCenter of American Studies website <http://www.amstudies-ruhr.de>

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**We look forward to welcoming you to the  
2020 Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies!**