

2021 Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies

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Call for Papers

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

In 2021, the *Ruhr PhD Forum* will be held as a virtual conference due to the Covid-19 pandemic. 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 this year's senior experts, Prof. Dr. Birgit Spengler (Uni Wuppertal) and Prof. Dr. Regina Schober (Uni Düsseldorf). 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 by **November 15th** including:

- Title of your presentation
- Abstract (max. 300 words)
- A short biographical note (max. 5 sentences)

Presentations should **not** exceed 15 minutes and will be followed by a discussion. For a better access to your project please provide a handout (including the structure, central thesis, and some compelling arguments or quotations) that summarizes the content of your presentation. We are still exploring the new possibilities that a digital format allows for and will soon reach out to contributors with more information.

Please visit <http://www.amstudies-ruhr.de> for further information and the final program of the Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies.

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