

The Ancient Borderlands International Graduate Student Conference  
McCune Conference Room, 6020 HSSB  
Schedule of Events

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FRIDAY, March 21<sup>st</sup>

1:00-1:15 –Welcome and Greeting– Dr. Elizabeth Digeser (History) and Dr. Christine Thomas  
(Religious Studies), co-conveners of the Ancient Borderlands Research Focus Group  
at UC Santa Barbara

1:15-2:45 –Frontier Artifacts: Archaeology on the Periphery– with a response by Dr. Fikret K. Yegül  
(Art History)

*The Tertullus Monument: A Funerary Monument from Roman Carthage.*

**Marilyn Evans, University of California Berkeley**

*Pharaonic Artwork in the Roman Periphery: The Case of the Fayum Region.*

**Anna Kouremenos, Institute of Archaeology, Oxford University**

*Goddess at the Crossroads: Representations of Hekate at Lagina,*

**Amanda Herring, Department of Art History, UCLA**

*Going Native? Ethnogenesis and Cultural Hybridity in Greek Central Asia.*

**Paul J. Kosmin, Ancient History, Harvard University**

3:00-4:00 –Sacred Space as Third Space– with a response by Dr. Mary Hancock (Anthropology  
& History)

*Ancient Vineyards, Modern Love.*

**Samuel J. Laurent, Theological & Philosophical Studies, Drew University**

*Holy Men and Contested Ground: Innovations and Intellectual Frontiers.*

**Peninah D. Wolpo, Department of History, University of New Mexico**

4:30-5:30 –Keynote Lecture–

*The Women and Maidens You May Take, the Men and Old Women You May Kill:*

*Gender, Purity and Prophetic Violence in Indigenous and Colonial Borderlands.*

**Dr. James F. Brooks, President, School for Advanced Research**

5:30-6:30 –Open Reception–

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9:00-10:30 –Liminality in Life Cycle Boundaries– with a response by Dr. Dorota Dutsch (Classics)

*Passport to the Underworld: Negotiating the Borderlands of the Afterlife*

**Suzanne Lye, Department of Classics, UCLA**

*Roman Urban Borderlands: The City of the Living vs. the City of the Dead*

**Saskia Stevens, Classical Archaeology, Exeter College, Oxford University**

10:45-12:15 –Inscribing Hybrid Identities– with a response by Dr. Ralph Gallucci (Classics)

*Ausonius' Mosella: Poetics of Cultural Identity on the Frontier*

**Akira Yatsunami, Department of Classical Studies, Duke University**

*Sappho and the Persistence of Lydian Identity*

**Neil Ashton, Classical Languages, University of Alberta**

*Between Two Worlds: The Temple of Zeus at Dodona and Ethnographic*

*Reconstruction in Strabo's Geography*

**Edward Dandrow, Department of Classics, Chicago University**

2:00-3:30 –Cultural Fusion: Beyond Colonist/Colonized– with a response by Dr. Pekka Hamalainen  
(History)

*Who, What, Where, When: Shifting Borders in Western Sicily, 6th-5th centuries BCE*

**Emily Modrall, Art & Archaeology of the Mediterranean World,**

**University of Pennsylvania**

*Trading Posts, Colonies and Indigenous Selectivity: The Shifting Identity of the*

*Phoenician Presence in Iberia*

**Eleftheria Pappa, Institute of Archaeology, Oxford University**

*Bithynia: The Fusion of Thracian, Greek and Anatolian Culture*

**Amelia Dowler, Corpus Christi College, Oxford University**

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3:45-5:15 –Empire at the Borderlands– with a response by Dr. Thomas Sizgorich (History,  
University of New Mexico)

*The Political Development of the Ghassan between Rome and Iran*

**Greg Fisher, History, Keble College, Oxford University**

*Alexander the Great's Fluctuating Borders: An Investigation into the Variable  
Conception and Governance of an Empire's Changing Boundaries*

**Paul Robertson, Religious Studies, Brown University**

*Roman Identity and the Narrators of Barbarian History, ca. AD 500-800*

**Spyros Caragiannis, Department of History, McGill University**

5:15-5:30 –Closing Address– Drs. Thomas and Digeser