



Call for Papers

Romance, Revolution and Reform Virtual Conference

13th January 2021

'Transnationalism in the Long-Nineteenth Century'

The Long-Nineteenth Century saw immense changes in transport, travel, infrastructure, technology, exploration, journalism, and politics that dramatically transformed the ways in which places and people around the world were connected. Steam trains and telegraph cables, photography and newspapers made the world a smaller, more connected place for some, and alienated others. Yet these technological advancements, and the transnational networks they facilitated, are often viewed from a Euro-centric perspective.

Now, more than ever, it is important to think globally and to challenge these dominant Euro-centric narratives. This interdisciplinary virtual conference aims to create an open forum where transnational research into the Long-Nineteenth Century from around the world, and from across the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, can come together. It aims to challenge our sense of nineteenth-century Britain's place in the world, and to explore how scrutinising these narratives can contribute to wider ongoing discussions about the ways to challenge racism and prejudice.

We welcome proposals for 10 to 15-minute papers, and 5-minute lightning talks from disciplines across the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences and from scholars around the world at any stage in their academic careers, including MA students. We are especially interested in interdisciplinary submissions and encourage papers from archaeological, ethnographical, musical and social sciences perspectives as well as those from literary or historical ones. Potential topics could include: global citizenship, religion, gender and sexuality, black British literature, decolonisation of arts and heritage, slavery and emancipation, imperial studies, political reform, philosophy, transnational print cultures, boundaries and redefining them, mapping, British colonialism in Ireland, international trade and exchange, Orientalism/Occidentalism, and eco studies.

Speakers will have the opportunity to submit their papers for consideration for Issue 4 of *RRR*, which will also take 'Transnationalism' as its theme. Abstracts of up to 250 words and bios of up to 75 words should be submitted to rrr@soton.ac.uk by **17:00 on Monday 2nd November 2020**. Submissions should be formatted in a Word file and attached to the email; please also include your full name, subject of study and any institutional affiliations in your submission.

