



Department of History  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

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# Senior Thesis Presentations

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**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023**

11:00am - 2:00pm

Pyle Center (702 Langdon St.) | Room 235



21 STUDENTS WILL  
PRESENT ORIGINAL  
RESEARCH

PIZZA LUNCH WILL  
BE PROVIDED

# Program

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**11:00-11:05AM** Welcome and Opening Remarks (Prof. Kathryn Ciancia)

**11:05-11:35AM** Panel 1: Insiders/Outsiders

**Ashton Jenks** "Genderfluidity Trouble: Gender Exploration in Greek Adolescence Beyond and Within the Ritual Sphere" (Profs. Claire Taylor and Alex Dressler)

**Chloe Foor** "Deals with the Devil: Resistance to and Backlash of Spanish Hegemony in 17th Century Cartagena de Indias" (Prof. Marcella Hayes)

**Aliza Ramirez** "'Barriers Burned Away?': (Re)constructions of Race, Relief, and Citizenship following the 1871 Great Chicago Fire" (Prof. Allison Powers Useche)

**Amaya Boman** "Navigating White Social Structures: An Analysis of the Harm caused by Student Resource Officer Programs" (Prof. Simon Balto)

**11:35AM-12:10PM** Panel 2: Law and Criminality

**Oli Wright** "The Murder of Oiwa and Her Centuries of Vengeance: Yotsuya Kaidan Through Time" (Prof. Sarah Thal)

**Rae Kalscheuer** "An International Legal History of the 'Heroin' Box: An Exploration of The Opium Wars and War on Drugs" (Prof. Mou Banerjee)

**Noah Greenspan** "Investigating Gang Violence and Crime in South Africa: A Psychological Examination of Gang Involvement" (Prof. Neil Kodesh)

**Charles Pei** "'World Drifters': Institutional Reform, Illicit Enterprise, and Organized Crime in a Post-socialist Factory Town, 1985-Present" (Prof. Judd Kinzley)

**Brian Deisher** "Data in the Dock: A Future-History of AI, Legal Personhood, and American Law" (Prof. Karl Shoemaker)

**12:10-12:25PM** Lunch

## **12:25-12:55PM** Panel 3: American Experiences

**Cayden Kirkpatrick** "Managing the 'Long Knives': Ho-Chunk Intertribal Policy between the War of 1812 and Black Hawk's War" (Profs. Stephen Kantrowitz and John Hall)

**Grace "Gray" Eltoft** "The Elementary Front: How Education Became a Battleground Within America's Japanese Concentration Camps" (Prof. Sarah Thal)

**Bea Millan-Windorski** "The Debt of Gratitude: Filipino Labor in the U.S. Sea Services during the Cold War Era" (Prof. Alfred McCoy)

**Kie Forss** "Beyond the Fight: The Realistic Homefront of Dickey Chapelle" (Prof. John Hall)

## **12:55-1:25PM** Panel 4: Rethinking Politics at Home and Abroad

**Charles Johnson** "Paul S. Reinsch: His Patrons and Intellect" (Prof. Alfred McCoy)

**Andrew Kruck** "Echoes of the Imperial Lion's Roar: The Suez Crisis and Tabloid Coverage as Hauntological Ghosts of Imperial Power" (Prof. Alfred McCoy)

**Cole Drea** "A Leopard among Stars: Congo, Chile, and the Fragility of Democracy" (Prof. Jorell Melendez-Badillo)

**Matthew Masonius** "From Great Society to Good Government: Watergate, the 1974 Elections, and the Ideological Evolution of the Democratic Party" (Prof. Patrick Iber)

## **1:25-1:55PM** Panel 5: Constructing New Narratives

**KJ LeFave** "Politics of Citation – The Indispensability and Erasure of Ojibwe Women in the Works of Schoolcraft, Johnston and Cadotte ca 1787 – 1842" (Prof. Matt Villeneuve)

**Lihao "Billy" Yuan** "The starting point of an Open-Door diplomat: Paul S Reinsch's early China studies at UW-Madison from 1900-1913" (Prof. Joseph Dennis)

**Thomas Hadcock** "A Planetary Vision: Romantic Landscapes in the Works of Antoine de Saint-Exupéry" (Prof. Laird Boswell)

**Kylie Hollenstein** "Druid Tycoons: Environmentalism through Consumption on Hilton Head Island" (Prof. Matt Villeneuve)

**1:55-2:00PM** Closing Remarks (Prof. Kathryn Ciancia)