



Southeastern Regional Seminar in African Studies (SERSAS)

Program
Fall 1999 SERSAS Conference
[Armstrong Atlantic State University](#)

Friday, October 15th:

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm: Armstrong Atlantic Faculty Dining Room--Reception and Good Cheer (provided by SERSAS)

Saturday, October 16th:

8:30 am - 9:00 am: Coffee and donuts (Provided by Armstrong Atlantic)

9:00 am - 10:45 am: **Of Conversion, Coercion, and Disease: Colonial Societies in Comparison**

- Dr. John Mason, University of Virginia: "[Some Religion He Must Have](#)": Slaves, Sufis and Conversion to Islam at the Cape."
- Dr. Annette Laing, Georgia Southern University: "Heathens and Infidels: African Christianization and the Anglican Mission in the Low Country, 1700-1750."
- Dr. Aran S. MacKinnon, State University of West Georgia: "[Of Oxford Bags and Twirling Canes](#)': Native Anti-Malarial Assistants, the State and Popular Responses to Malaria Epidemics in Early Twentieth Century Zululand."
- Discussant and MC: Dr. Jonathan Reynolds, Northern Kentucky University

10:45 am - 11:15 am: Coffee Break and Fieldwork Discussion

11:15 am - 12:30 am: **Morality and the State**

- Dr. Nonso Okereafoezeke, Western Carolina University: "[Analysis of the Criminalizing Policies, Programs, and Idiosyncrasies of the Nigerian Governments in the Country's Darkest Age, 1985 - 1999.](#)"
- Dr. Kate Luongo, University of Iowa: "The Clitorectiomy Controversy in Kenya: the 'Woman's Affair' that Wasn't."
- Discussant and MC: Dr. Nyaga Mwaniki, Western Carolina University

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Lunch provided by Armstrong Atlantic State -- Faculty Dining Hall

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm: **History, Society, and Multimedia in Africa**

- Dr. Jean Kidula, University of Georgia: [Where is Your Tradition? On the Problematics of an African Ethnomusicologist Research on Christian Musics.](#)"
- Dr. Mustapha Dhada, Clark Atlanta: "The Blue Eyes of Yonji: Flora Gomes as Critique of Guinea-Bissau Society"
- Dr. James Burns, Clemson University: "Cowboys and Colonizers: The American Western in Southern Africa, 1945-1961.
- Discussant and MC: Dr. Cathy Skidmore-Hess, Georgia Southern University

3:00 pm: Conference Closes

For directions to the conference (including a map for visual navigators) and information relating to accommodations, visit the links on our [SERSAS web page](#).

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