



Southeastern Regional Seminar in African Studies (SERSAS)

Fall SERSAS Meeting Schedule
University of Tennessee, Knoxville

The Southeastern Regional Seminar on African Studies is pleased to announce the schedule for our Fall Conference, to be hosted by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville -- at the feet of the beautiful Appalachian Mountains -- on October 27th and 28th. The SERSAS conference will be held in conjunction with UT's annual African Week -- organized by the UT African Students Organization. For information on UT Knoxville and for DIRECTIONS, go to: <http://www.utk.edu/maps/>. Rooms can be reserved at the Knoxville Hilton, at a special rate of \$60. Reservations can be made by calling (877)644-5866 between 8am and 5pm EST. Please mention that the reservation is for SERSAS.

Opening Reception: "African Male Cooking Contest" -- Friday, October 27th, 6pm - 10pm, International House Great Room. Yummy African food cooked by MALE African Students. Saturday's meetings will be held in Room 221 of the University Center on campus.

Saturday, October 28th
9:00am -- 9:30am.

Coffee and Donuts -- Compliments of the University of Tennessee African and African-American Studies Program

9:30-11:30

"Resources and Remembrances: Africans in the Americas"

Ras Michael Brown, Dillard University.

["West-Central African Nature Spirits in the South Carolina Lowcountry"](#)

Onipede Hollist, University of Tampa.

"So the Past Does Not Die: A Reading of Recent African Immigrant Experiences in America."

Jeroen Devriendt, University of Ghent, Belgium.

"Afro-Americans on America and Africa: Malcolm X, Stokely Carmichael and Louis Farrakhan, Critical Discourse Analysis."

Moderator and Discussant: Jonathan Reynolds, Northern Kentucky University

11:30-12:30 Lunch -- Compliments of the University of Tennessee African and African-American Studies Program

12:30-2:15

"Twisting in the Winds of Change: Interpreting Current Crises in Southern Africa"

David Leaver, University of Cincinnati, Raymond Walters.

["Whites in Zimbabwean Historiography 'Hapana Mutsauko' its 'The Same Difference'"](#)

Ken Mufuka, Lander University.

"South Africa's AIDs Policy, An Eye-Witness Account" (Paper not presented)

Thami ka Plaatjie, Vista University, South Africa (Azania).

"Internal Conflict in the Pan African Congress of Azania, 1960-1980." (Paper not presented)

Moderator and Discussant: Aran MacKinnon, West Georgia University.

2:15-3:00

"In a Land Far, Far Away: The Challenges to Fieldwork in Africa for Scholars in America."

Nonso Okereafoezeke, Western Carolina University.

["Methodological and Procedural Difficulties in 'Archiving at a Distance': from Nigeria to the USA."](#)

Open Discussion of Recent Fieldwork Experiences by SERSAS members and audience.

3:00 Conference Closes.

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