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# AUSTERITY & ANTI-AUSTERITY BEYOND CAPITALISM

**HUSSEY ROOM | MICHIGAN LEAGUE**  
**SEPTEMBER 13-14, 2019**  
**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 | Michigan League, Hussey Room

### Opening Remarks | 9:30 -10:00

#### First Session: Rethinking Austerity as Idea and Theory | 10:00 -11:45

Chair: Omolade Adunbi, University of Michigan

The Birth of Homo Economicus and the Origins of Austerity in Communist Poland  
Brian Porter-Szűcs, University of Michigan

Austerity against Structural Adjustment: The 1980s Debt Crisis viewed from the  
Global South

Johanna Bockman, George Mason University

Deliberate Austerity, Implant Austerity: Making the Case for Austerity with Adjectives  
Anne Pitcher, University of Michigan

#### Second Session: Austerity Over Time | 13:15-15:00

Chair: Sueann Caulfield, University of Michigan

The Austere Origins of Stalinism  
Oscar Sanchez-Sibony, University of Hong Kong

Austerity in Development: Corporatism in Interwar Brazil and Portugal  
Melissa Teixeira, University of Pennsylvania

Austerity as Justice? The Italian Communist Party and the Crises of the 1970s  
Dario Gaggio, University of Michigan

#### Third Session: Austerity Across Space | 15:15 -17:00

Chair: Pamela Ballinger, University of Michigan

Austerity Socialism: Debt and Fiscal Discipline in Ceausescu's Romania  
Cristian Capotescu, University of Michigan

Austerity with Chinese Characteristics: China and the World Bank during the 1980s  
Federico Pachetti, University of Hong Kong

Institutions, Structures, and the Making of the Austerity Policy Paradigm in Africa  
Howard Stein, University of Michigan

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 | Michigan League, Hussey Room

### Fourth Session: The Politics of Austerity and Anti-Austerity | 9:00 -10:45

Chair: Howard Brick, University of Michigan

The Enduring Present of Crisis: Jamaica's Long Decade(s) of Structural Adjustment  
Natalie Reinhart, Columbia University

Populism and the Past: Restoring, Redeeming, and Retaining the Nation in Asia  
Iza Ding, University of Pittsburgh & Dan Slater, University of Michigan

The Warsaw Consensus: Political Elites and Austerity in Late Socialist Poland  
Lukas Doern, Stanford University

Anti-Austerity Measures in the Context of Political Transition in Mozambique,  
1975-1990s

Marlino Mubai, Eduardo Mondlane University

### Fifth Session: Austerity, Violence, and War | 11:15 -13:00

Chair: Kate Wroblewski, University of Michigan

Tightening the (Gun)Belt?: Austerity and the Political Economy of National Security  
Salem Elzway, University of Michigan

Economics and Eating Disorders: Anorexia and Obesity in the "Age of Austerity"  
Alice Weinreb, Loyola University Chicago

Austerity: The Withdrawal of Efficiency as Industrial Warfare  
Mehmet Dösemici, Bucknell University

### Concluding Discussion | 13:30

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