U-M History Department Finalizes “Disrupting White Supremacy” Teach-In Program

Award-winning historians to present historical vignettes; evening capped by talkback session highlighting student advocacy

Ann Arbor, February 19, 2018—“Disrupting White Supremacy: Global Histories and Local Struggles” will feature thirteen University of Michigan historians exploring the historical context, origins, and trajectories of white supremacy. The evening will conclude with a student advocacy panel responding to the presentations and discussing their relevancy to current activism.

The teach-in is free and open to the public and will take place 5-9 pm at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre on the U-M campus. Seating is limited to 644. For those who cannot attend, it will be livestreamed at bit.ly/um-disrupting. Program:

5:00 PM  Welcome and Introductions

5:15 PM

- Swallowing the Red Pill: The Alt-Right and Metapolitics  Professor Alexandra Minna Stern
- White Supremacists’ Medieval Fantasies  Professor Katherine French, Graduate Student Taylor Sims
- White Supremacy and Nazi Race-Making  Professor Anne Berg
- Anxieties, Walls, and Borders: How Did the New Xenophobia Begin?  Professor Geoff Eley
- The Gendered Politics of Islamophobia in Europe  Professor Rita Chin
- Question and Answer  tweet questions #umdisrupting

6:40 PM

- Freedom in a World of Slavery  Professor Matthew Spooner
- Riflemen and Lawyers: Memorializing a White-Supremacist Coup d’Etat in New Orleans  Professor Rebecca J. Scott
- Narratives of Race, Sex, and Violence  Professor Stephen A. Berrey
- Slavery, Imperialism, and Race: A View from Islamic Africa  Professor Rudolph “Butch” Ware
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7:50 PM

- Capitalism, Labor Migration, and White Supremacy: The Murder of Vincent Chin  Professor Allan Lumba
- White Supremacy and the Rise and Fall of Affirmative Action at U-M  Professor Matthew Countryman
- White Supremacy and Political Repression in the Trump Era  Professor Austin McCoy
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8:35 PM  Talkback: Making Use of History  students: Vidhya Aravind, Maryam Aziz, Sargeant Donovan-Smith, Hoai An Pham

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