

Call for Papers
**Special One-Day Workshop: Towards a New Eighteenth-Century History: Developing
Dialogues between Eighteenth-Century Studies and Indigenous Studies**
14 October 2021, The University of Winnipeg
CSECS-MWASECS Conference 13-16 October 2021, Inn at the Forks, Winnipeg, MB

The University of Winnipeg is in Treaty One territory and is located on the traditional territory of Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. The English Department recognizes the role of the English language and English as an academic discipline in contributing to the historical and present formations of settler colonialism and imperialism in Canada and around the world. In giving expression to our Land Acknowledgement, we commit ourselves to engaging with, questioning, and challenging these formations in ways that support the decolonizing work being done by Indigenous peoples in Manitoba and elsewhere.

Eighteenth-century studies has interested itself increasingly in recent years with “the global eighteenth century,” and particularly with the Transatlantic world. Yet there remains a large gap within the field particularly in terms of the Indigenous eighteenth century. This special one-day workshop, organized as part of the 2021 joint conference between the Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (CSECS) and the Midwestern American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (MWASECS), seeks to promote dialogues between eighteenth-century studies and Indigenous studies, examining both the fraught and complicated history of relationships between Europeans and Indigenous peoples over the course of this period and the continuing consequences and reverberations in the world today. We invite researchers with interests in the Indigenous eighteenth century to submit proposals for papers. We hope through this workshop to open up fresh lines of inquiry that will enrich eighteenth-century studies going forward, promoting a better appreciation for Indigenous perspectives and experiences during the eighteenth century, including Indigenous perspectives on and experiences of Europeans and European culture. In addition, we hope to develop a more nuanced sense of how Indigenous peoples and Indigeneity functioned in the European imaginary.

This workshop is an independent special event scheduled to take place on the University of Winnipeg campus Thursday, October 14, 2021, organized to coincide with the joint conference between the Canadian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies/Société canadienne d'étude du dix-huitième siècle (CSECS/SCEDHS) and the Midwestern American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (MWASECS), which will be held at the Inn at the Forks in Winnipeg, 13–16 October 2021.

In light of the ongoing global pandemic situation, the conference and workshop organizers will be considering both panel and paper proposals for in-person and online presentation. While we remain hopeful that the COVID-19 vaccine will be generally available by the fall of 2021, we recognize that even in this best-case scenario, there may be many of our members who will not be in a position to travel. As of January 2021, the Canada-U.S. border remains closed, and there are numerous other continuing travel restrictions in place, both for those travelling to Canada from abroad and for those travelling from region to region within Canada, and many are experiencing increased job insecurity, economic hardship, and health and safety concerns. As such, we are currently envisioning a hybrid conference, with both in-person and online presentations delivered through Zoom, and a reduced scale of registration fees for online participation.

Deadline for submission of panels is **February 15, 2021**.

Deadline for submission of individual papers is **March 15, 2021**.

All those presenting at the conference must be members in good standing either of CSECS or MWASECS, with an exemption for those participating in the workshop only.

Paper proposals should include title, 150-word summary, and brief biographical note indicating the presenter's name, email, academic status, institutional affiliation, and an indication of preferred presentation option: in-person or online.

Panel proposals should include titles and 150-word summaries of both panel and individual papers, and brief biographical notes for all presenters, including names, emails, academic statuses, institutional affiliations, and an indication of preferred presentation option: in-person or online.

Please send your proposals to the following email address: csecs-scedhs-2021@uwinnipeg.ca.

Participants may present papers in English or French and will be invited to submit articles based on their papers in either language to *Lumen*, the official journal of CSECS, for publication.