



**2017 Graduate Student Conference  
Foodways & Social Justice**  
University of Mississippi

*Presented with the Department of Sociology & Anthropology, The  
Center for the Study of Southern Culture, and the Graduate School*

**Monday, September 11, 2017**

Yerby Conference Center  
689 Grove Loop

**8:30 a.m.  
Welcome**

Catarina Passidomo, Foodways Professor, Center for the Study of Southern Culture and  
Department of Sociology & Anthropology

John T Edge, Director, Southern Foodways Alliance

Ted Ownby, Director, Center for the Study of Southern Culture

Kirsten Dellinger, Chair, Department of Sociology & Anthropology

**9:00–10:15 a.m.**

**Food Access: Diet, Nutrition, Health, and History**

Moderator: Annie Cafer, Assistant Professor of Sociology

Panelists:

Bobby J. Smith, II, Cornell University, “Disrupting Food Access: The White Citizens' Council  
and the Politics of Food in the Mississippi Civil Rights Movement”

Myra Miller, University of Southern Mississippi, “Identifying Pellagra in Human Remains: Is it  
Possible and Why is it Important?”

Caitlin Sloane, Samford University, “S.O.D.A.: Sugar Sweetened Beverage Consumption,  
Overweight, and Obesity Disparities in African Americans in the South”

**10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
**Feminist Foodways**

Moderator: Amy McDowell, Assistant Professor of Sociology

Panelists:

Katya Schexnaydre, Shimer College, "Darken the Roux: Black Women and the Rise of Gumbo"

Victoria De Leone, University of Mississippi, "Don't Be a Sissy-Nanny: Resisting Gender Norms Through Craft Butchery"

Collier Lumpkin, The American University of Rome, "Women, Wheat, and War"

**11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Lunch\* / Break**

**12:45–1:45 p.m.**  
**Roundtable**  
**Scholar-Activists on Food Justice**

Panelists:

Michele Alexandre, University of Mississippi School of Law

John Green, University of Mississippi Center for Population Studies

**2:00–3:30 p.m.**  
**Historic Tour of Campus** with Jeff Jackson, Co-Chair of UM Slavery and the University Working Group and Associate Professor of Sociology  
\*Meet outside Ventress Hall

**4:00 p.m.**  
**Networking Happy Hour on the Square**  
City Grocery  
152 Courthouse Square

**6:00 p.m.**  
**Keynote Lecture**  
**Lisa Heldke, "On Being a Person: It's Chomping All the Way Down"**  
Tupelo Room  
Barnard Observatory  
255 Grove Loop

**7:30 p.m. Dinner\***

Big Bad Breakfast

Mid-Town Shopping Center, 719 N. Lamar Blvd, Oxford, MS 38655

**Tuesday, September 12, 2017**

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**8:30–9:30 a.m.**

**Constructing Community**

Moderator: Kate Centellas, Associate Professor of Anthropology and International Studies

Panelists:

Cocoa M. Williams, Florida State University, “Suppers in St. Bernard: An Ethnographic Look Into the Supper-Giving Tradition”

Jeanne Firth, London School of Economics and Political Science, “Fêtes des Chefs: Celanthropy Reimagines the New Orleans Foodscape”

**10:15–11:30 a.m.**

**Diverse and Contested Food Spaces**

Moderator: Elise Lake, Associate Professor of Sociology

Panelists:

Nicole Musgrave, Western Kentucky University, “Not Just a Grocery Store” (film)

Crystal Hyunjung Rie, Georgetown University, “Orientalism, Tiki Restaurants, and Korean Food in America”

Jennifer Bailey, Boston University, “Creole and Cajun Cuisine: An Economic Disparity”

Chloe Brown, Western Kentucky University, “Male Spaces in the South: The Grocery Store as Gendered Sphere”

**11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**  
**Gentrification and Nostalgia**

Moderator: Minjoo Oh, Associate Professor of Sociology

Panelists:

Grace Weitz, New York University, “From Hurricanes to Hefeweizens: How the Receding Floodwaters of Hurricane Katrina Initiated a Surge of Craft Beer in New Orleans”

Dani Willcutt, Boston University, “When Culture Is at Risk: What Locals Have to Lose in the Midst of a Booming Bourbon Tourism Industry”

Yunyi Li, UCLA, “Welcome to My Frontier: Post-feminism, Race, and Rural Nostalgia in 'The Pioneer Woman'”

**12:30 p.m.**

Lunch\*: Grab & Go (or stay)

Goodbyes

\*Complimentary meals are provided for conference presenters and moderators.

