



Social Science Department Race and Ethnicity Conference

Events will take place in the Calkins Science Center Auditorium, Room 348, unless otherwise noted.

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Thursday, February 18th

Immigration in a Global Age: Cities, Ethnicity, and the Politics of Place

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Marie Price, Ph.D., George Washington University

Monday, February 22nd

Not a Trace of Race...Biologically Speaking: How Science Refutes the Myth of Race

9:30-11:00 a.m.

Panel Discussion: Laurie Foster, GRCC; Sarah Krajewski, GRCC; Tim Hoving, GRCC; Matt Douglas, Ph.D., GRCC

Normalcy and Nativism in 'Nineteen: Ethnic Clashes Surrounding the Chicago Black Sox Scandal

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Dan Lerner, Ph.D., GRCC

Fellow Immigrants: Ethnicity, Race, and the Peopling of Grand Rapids

6:00-7:30 p.m.

Gordon Olson, Grand Rapids City Historian Emeritus and GRCC Instructor

Tuesday, February 23rd

A Glimpse of the Cold War on the Other Side: Reflections on Growing up in Communist Yugoslavia, China, and Vietnam

9:30-11:00 a.m.

Panel Discussion: Yan Bai, Ph.D., GRCC;
Gordon Vusovic, GRCC; Phong Pham, GRCC.
Moderated by Mike DeVivo, GRCC.

The Economics of Anti-Discrimination Law

1:15-2:45 p.m.

Lisa Gloege, Ph. D.

Race, Race Relations, and Racism: Stories from the Jim Crow Museum

6:00-7:30 p.m.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: David Pilgrim, Ph.D., Ferris State University and the Jim Crow Museum

Wednesday, February 24th

Moving Away from the Margin: The Novels and Short Stories of Sherman Alexie

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Gary Burbridge, Ph.D., GRCC

Reducing Truth to Opinions or Forming Opinions in Search of Truths: Reflections on Multiculturalism

3:00-4:00 p.m.

Yan Bai, Ph.D., GRCC

Representations of Native Americans in Film

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Panel Discussion and Film Viewing: Susan Williams, GRCC; Robert Hendershot, Ph.D., GRCC; Mike Light, GRCC

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