

2023-2024 IRW Seminar Schedule
Possession

September 14: Opening Session

September 21: Readings

September 28: Readings

October 5: Readings

October 12: Special Guest - Jane Jin Kaisen visits seminar

October 19: Ethel Brooks
“Possessions, Encampments, and Palmographies: Romani Knowledges of Worldmaking”
Respondent: Palak Vashist

October 26: Palak Vashist
“Revisiting the Colonial State’s ‘Possession’: A Study of Women in the Bombay Cotton Textile Mills (1880-1920)”
Respondent: Donna Murch

November 2: Readings

November 9: Readings

November 16: TED-x workshop with Thaler Pekar

November 23: No meeting – Thanksgiving

November 30: Ileana Nachescu
“Socialism’s Possessions: Gender, Race, and Class in a Society of Equals”
Respondent: Brendane Tynes

December 7: Brendane Tynes
Title TBD
Respondent: Leslie Alexander

January 25: Mich Ling
“Settling Land, Alienating Labor”
Respondent: Allan Isaac

February 1: Alex Liebman
“Land Dispossession, Plant Possession: Tracing Women and Youth *Campesino* Refusal and Plant Mysticism in norte del Cauca, Colombia”
Respondent: Mich Ling

February 8: Allan Isaac
“Death and Dying in Diaspora”
Respondent: Victoria Papa

February 15: Donna Murch
“The Social History of Crack: Women, Drug Possession and Sale in Late Twentieth Century Los Angeles, 1978-1996”
Respondent: Alex Liebman

February 22: Public Engagement workshop with Brittney Cooper

February 29: Hilit Surowitz-Israel
“The Spirit’s Hand: Georgiana Houghton, Spiritualist Art, and Possession as a Subversion of Euro-Western Religious ‘Modernity’”
Respondent: Leah DeVun

March 7: Podcasting workshop with Brendane Tynes

March 14: No meeting – Spring Break Readings

March 21: Victoria Papa
Title TBD
Respondent: Hilit Surowitz-Israel

March 28: Resonance in Communication workshop with Thaler Pekar

April 4: Sarah Tobias

“Double Trouble: Ghostly Epistemologies”

Respondent: Ileana Nachescu

April 11: Leslie Alexander

“How We Got Here: Slavery and the Making of the Modern Police State”

Respondent: Sara Perryman

April 18: Leah DeVun

“Kindred Spirits: Memory, Queer Archives, and the Meaning of History”

Respondent: Ethel Brooks

April 25: Final Seminar Session – wrap up

Conveners:

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