

Announcements

The ECONOMIC & BUSINESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY welcomes proposals for presentations on all aspects of business and economic history at its twenty-eighth annual conference. The conference will be held in Memphis, Tennessee, April 24–26, 2003. In keeping with its traditions, the Society seeks proposals for both individual papers and panel sessions. Graduate students are invited to apply and may qualify for reduced registration fees. Papers presented at the conference may be submitted for publication in the Society's peer-reviewed journal, *Essays in Economic and Business History*, edited by Michael V. Namorato of the University of Mississippi.

Composed of some three hundred North American and international members, the Economic & Business Historical Society offers participants an opportunity for continuing intellectual interchange within a modest-sized collegial, interdisciplinary group. The Society holds its annual convention in locations of historical significance. Both the annual membership (\$25) and conference registration fees are modest. Final arrangements with the hotel are being concluded and the details will be posted in the very near future.

Proposals for individual papers should include an abstract of no more than 500 words, a brief curriculum vitae, postal and e-mail addresses, and telephone and fax numbers. Panel proposals should also suggest a title and a panel chair. Graduate students and nonacademic affiliates are welcome. Submissions imply that at least one author will register for the conference and be present at the time designated in the conference program. The deadline for submission is 15 January 2003.

Proposals may be submitted to:

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BUSINESS HISTORY CONFERENCE FOR 2003. On 26–29 June 2003, in Lowell, Massachusetts, the Business History Conference and European Business History Association will hold their annual meetings together to examine the theme “Regions, Nations, and Globalization.”

Globalization is the word of the day and, in many respects, rightfully so. The means of transportation available to us, the new information and communication technologies, the end of bipolarism (the fall of the wall) have promoted worldwide economic, social, cultural integration that seems overwhelming. Nevertheless, looking carefully inside the “globalization issue,” we must admit that figures suggest it is far from being completed (it has been noted that national economies were more integrated in 1913 than nowadays) and resistance to its advance, as well as forces of fragmentation, are very much alive. In this sense, the permanence of the nation state (with its multidimensional ways of intervening in social and economic life) plays a major role. At the same time, while “escaping” from national boundaries, we see metropolitan areas or industrial districts emerging that serve as real engines of the globalization network. Business enterprises have tried to navigate—and at times shape—these complex relationships.

The conference is centrally concerned with firms and other economic actors in a long-term perspective, as the builders of globalization, especially their strategies, economic results, and social and cultural impact. Attention will be paid to the role of national economic systems in terms of regulations and political economy. We will keep in mind the emerging significance of companies’ clusters concentrated in metropolitan areas, diffused in homogeneous territories, or even linked through global networks, given the new transportation, information, and communication technologies.

For more information, please contact:

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Business History Conference
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Accommodations will be at the Doubletree Hotel, 50 Warren, Lowell, MA 01852, USA; telephone: 978-452-1200.

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The INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION announces the Fourth International Congress of Maritime History to be held in Corfu, Greece, on 23–27 June 2004. All International Maritime History Congresses have adopted as wide a concept as possible of maritime history as an interdisciplinary field that covers all temporal fields. At its core lies the role of the sea in human history: the surface of the sea, the undersea domain, and the coastal zone.

Proposals of up to 500 words should be submitted along with a short biographical note. Proposals should be submitted by 30 January 2003 to:

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Successful applicants will be informed by 1 April 2003.

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The fifth EUROPEAN SOCIAL SCIENCE HISTORY CONFERENCE (ESSHC) will take place 24–27 March 2004 in Berlin, Germany. The aim of the conference, which takes place biennially, is to bring together scholars interested in explaining historical phenomena using the methods of the social sciences. It is characterized by a lively exchange in many small groups, rather than by formal plenary sessions. The ESSHC is patterned on the annual conventions of the American Social Science History Association. The Conference welcomes papers and sessions on any topic and any historical period. Papers and sessions are organized in a large number of networks that cover a certain topic.

Sessions last two hours. Panel sessions as a rule consist of the presentation of three or four papers, followed by prepared comments by a discussant and a general discussion lasting at least three quarters of an hour. Authors should send their papers to the chair and discussant of their session one month before the conference starts. Papers are not distributed beforehand to participants.

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CONFERENCE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. We invite you to submit a paper for presentation at a conference on Hume's political economy,

to be held at Columbia University in New York City on 9–10 May 2003. The paper is to be new and original, and not intended for publication elsewhere. Routledge has expressed considerable enthusiasm to serve as publisher and is currently reviewing our proposal for such a volume. Some of the topics we hope to cover are Hume on trade and commerce, money and credit, trust and social capital, economic development, and public finance. Papers that link Hume's political economy to his other writings or place it in a broader historical context are also welcome. We expect to settle on about twelve papers and to reprint four or five classic articles on Hume's economics, so that the volume will serve as the point of departure for scholarly inquiries into the subject. We will serve as co-editors, and prepare an introduction to the volume.

A fund from Columbia University allows us to cover the costs of accommodation (three nights at a hotel) and most of the meals for the two days. We are in the process of securing additional funds for travel, but if you are able to obtain them from another granting agency, we would be most grateful.

If you are interested in participating, please send us a letter of intent and a one-page abstract of your paper by 1 December 2002. The paper that you would submit should be no more than 30 pages (double-spaced), including notes and references. It is understood that your essay is more likely to be a work-in-progress that would benefit from presentation at the conference. The bulk of the revisions will come in the 12 months or so after we meet. This, we believe, gives each contributor a more realistic time frame in which to produce a significant and polished essay. However, we will ask you to post your paper on a collective Web site by April 2003 to enable each participant to read it in advance of the meeting. After the conference next May, we will ask you to expand and revise the paper by October 2003, to be sent out for refereeing. Assuming one more round of revisions is undertaken (if necessary) in response to the refereeing, we expect the final papers to be ready by May 2004 and the volume to appear by the end of that year.

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The AGRICULTURAL HISTORY SOCIETY seeks an editor for *Agricultural History*. The editor should be able to assume duties on or before 1 July 2003. Candidates should indicate the type and amount of support that they can expect from their institution as well as the date on which they can assume the editorship. Letters of application or inquiry should be sent to:

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Agricultural History Society
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The Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center at the UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA seeks applicants for its Visiting Scholars Program. The purpose of this program is to assist researchers by providing financial awards for on-campus work in the Center's archives. Awards are normally from \$500 to \$1,000 to defray the cost of travel and lodging.

The Visiting Scholars Program is open to any applicant. Emphasis is given to those doing postdoctoral research in history, political science, and other fields. Graduate students involved in research for publication, thesis, or dissertation are encouraged to apply. Interested undergraduates and lay researchers are also invited to apply. The Center evaluates each research proposal based upon its merits, and funding for a variety of topics is expected.

No standardized form is needed for application. Instead, a series of documents should be sent to the Center, including: (1) a description of the research proposal in fewer than 1,000 words; (2) a personal vita; (3) an explanation of how the Center's resources will assist the researcher; (4) a budget proposal; and (5) a letter of reference from an established scholar in the discipline attesting to the significance of the research. Applications are accepted at any time.

To obtain more information, please contact:

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For more information on the Center's collections see the Web site at: <http://www.ou.edu/special/albertctr/archives/>

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The Program Committee of the NORTH AMERICAN LABOR HISTORY CONFERENCE invites proposals for panels and papers on the theme "Labor, War and Imperialism" for our twenty-fifth annual meeting to be held 16–18 October 2003, at Wayne State University in Detroit.

Throughout history, during international and civil wars, in social conflict, political revolution, and civil strife, labor unions and working-class organizations have played major roles both aiding and opposing governments at war. Similarly, labor leaders and working-class men and women have supported and opposed national efforts in conquest, territorial expansion, colonization, and imperialist adventures; they have resisted colonial regimes and fought for empires. This conference offers us the opportunity to examine, in international and national perspective, the history of labor, class, war, and imperialism. We are seeking proposals that will explore the many contradictory and complex aspects of class and war, labor and imperialism.

The program committee encourages comparative and interdisciplinary scholarship from a broad range of national and international contexts, the integration of public historians and community and labor activists into conference sessions, and the use of differing panel formats (workshops, roundtable discussions, and multimedia as well as traditional papers). It welcomes sessions that may address the topic through the lenses of class, gender, race, ethnicity, and sexuality.

Please submit panel and paper proposals (including an abstract of one to two pages abstracts and brief curricula vitae or biographical statements for all participants) by 1 March 2003, to:

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The CHEMICAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION plays host to scholars from all parts of the world through its fellowship and travel grant programs. Through the Beckman Center for the History of Chemistry, CHF administers several different fellowships for both the academic year

and the summer. Research Travel Grants are also available for scholars who want to visit for a shorter term. Our visiting scholars are encouraged to use the resources of the Othmer Library and other area resources. For more information about Fellowship opportunities at CHF please contact Josh McIlvain (joshm@chemheritage.org), the Fellowship Coordinator. To apply, please contact:

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**2003–2004 Fellowships
Program in Early American Economy and Society
at the Library Company of Philadelphia**

The Program in Early American Economy and Society at the Library Company of Philadelphia will award one dissertation fellowship and one advanced research fellowship, for nine consecutive months in local residence, from September 2003 to May 2004 and carrying stipends of \$15,000 and \$35,000, respectively. The Program will also award four one-month research fellowships carrying stipends of \$1,600, tenable from June 2003 to May 2004.

These fellowships are designed to promote scholarship on the origins and development of the early American economy, broadly conceived, to roughly 1850. They provide scholars the opportunity to use the extensive printed and manuscript collections related to the history of commerce, finance, technology, manufacturing, agriculture, internal improvements, economic policy-making, and other topics that are held by the Library Company and numerous other institutions in its vicinity.

Application Deadline is March 1, 2003, with a decision to be made by March 31, 2003. To apply for a long-term fellowship, send (by mail, no faxes please) four copies each of a c.v., a detailed description of the nature of the research to be undertaken during the fellowship period, a relevant writing sample of no more than 25 pages, and two letters of reference. For one-month fellowships send a c.v. and one letter of reference. Applicants for long-term fellowships who wish to be considered for a short-term award should state this in their cover letters. Send all materials by mail to: PEAES, The Library Company of Philadelphia, 1314 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. For more information about the Program and fellowships, contact Cathy Matson, Program Director, at cmatson@librarycompany.org.