

DAY ONE  
THURSDAY 18TH MARCH

10:00

Welcome

Session 1

Political Stability in Late Antiquity

Chair: Henry Anderson

Evolving Ceremonies:  
Shifting Powers and Changing Rituals

Chair: Irene Salvo

10:30

Nicola Ernst

*The Julianic Agenda: Constantius II, the Caesar Gallus, and the Construction of Julian's Imperial Legitimacy*

Sean Strong

*Becoming Šāhanšāh in Ērānshahr: Visual and Literary Evidence of Sasanian Investiture Rituals in the Late Sixth Century AD*

11:00

Raymond Ngoh

*Castrensis Senatus: The late Roman army as the senate in the fourth and fifth century AD*

Giovanna Pasqualierello

*Syll. 3 398 and FD III 1,483, The vocabulary of an Amphictyonic network in the 3rd century*

11:30

Thomas Campbell-Moffat

*Fission and state-collapse in the late Roman west*

Richard Kendall

*Commemoration and Conservatism in Olbia Pontica: In Victory and Crisis*

12:00

LUNCH

Session 2

The Dead and the Divine

Chair: Ryan Denson

The Nature of Things: Theorising the Material World

Chair: Maria Gerolemou

Cultural Transference:  
The Effects of Roman Rule

Chair: Nicola Ernst

13:00

Adam Brennan

*What's in a title: Hero cult and divine cult to the diokourai*

Jessica Venner

*Nature as nurturer: The sensory effect of light and shade in the Roman garden*

Kate Jeremy

*The Epigraphy of Belief at Hadrian's Wall*

13:30

Charlotte Spence

*The Gods as Proxy? Crimes and Criminal Intent in Curse Tablets*

Drew Ballantine

*Delimiting the Epicurean Panacea*

Bernice Adamson

*Romanisation of Roman North Africa and Westernisation of Ghana: A comparative analysis*

14:00

Bertie Norman

*The Burials for the Dead: A Problem of Interpretation in Homer*

Pelayo Huerta Segovia

*A go(d) between'. The representations of Hermes in classical vase-painting of thysia*

14:30

BREAK

15:00

Professor Richard Flower

*Uncertain Causes, or What To Do When A Senator Throws His Wife Out Of The Window*

16:00

Closing Remarks

19:00

Virtual Reception

DAY TWO  
FRIDAY 19TH MARCH

10:00

Welcome

10:15

Dr Emma Nicholson

*Cracking the Code of A Changing World - Polybius' Guide to Leadership and Adaptation*

11:15

BREAK

Session 3

Politics and People: Perceptions of Power

Chair: Julius Guthrie

Christianity and Change

Chair: Becca Grose

11:30

Edward Armstrong

*Watchdogs of the Demos: Thucydides' Stereotypes of Leaders*

Ryan Denson

*Resituating the Imaginary Other at the Edges of the Earth: The οἰκουμένη in Christian Late Antiquity*

12:00

Ben Salisbury

*The Tribune and Popular Discourse in the Late Roman Republic*

Josh Littell

*Christian Identity in the Antonine Familia: A Case for Marcus Aurelius Prosenes*

12:30

Timothy McConnell

*"Jurors" Without Votes*

Ben Kybett

*Poetry and the Last Pagans: Claudian at the Court of Honorius*

13:00

LUNCH

Session 4

**Money Talks:  
Tax, Trade, Economy**

Chair: Charlotte Spence

**Constructing the Past:  
Identity and Perception**

Chair: Alasdair Gilmour

14:00

Stephen Nitu

*Measuring Exceptional Growth? Pitfalls in Quantitative Approaches to the Ancient Greek Economy*

Thomas Alexander Husøy

*Asopus and Trophonius: Changing Genealogies, Regional Ethnic Groups, and Gods in Boeotia*

14:30

Troy Wilkinson

*A Red Sea of Trade: A New Perspective on Violence in Rome's Eastern Desert and the Indian Ocean*

Meg Finlayson

*"Reconsidering the 'Alexander' Sarcophagus: The 'Royal Hunt' as a Motif for Navigating Royal Identity Under the Conquests of Alexander the Great"*

15:00

Daniel Lowes

*Weighing Up Pondus: Numismatic Evidence in Livy Book 34*

James Reah

*Are you not Entertained? A Study into the representation of gladiators within video games and re-enactment, assessing the relationship between historiography and modern popular culture.*

15:30

**Closing Remarks**

16:00

**Virtual Reception**