



Call for Papers: Graduate Conference

'Struggle, Upheaval, Transformation'

Saturday 16th January 2021

Keynote Speaker: Dr Fariha Shaikh (University of Birmingham)

Our moment is defined by the explosion of social movements, from Black Lives Matter, to #metoo, to the Climate Strike, and to calls to decolonise the university. This conference invites papers which look back to social, political and cultural change in the nineteenth century, or which reflect on how ongoing movements (anti-racist, feminist, or other) allow us to understand and respond in new ways to Victorian studies.

We welcome proposals for fifteen-minute papers on literature, culture, art, and history in the long nineteenth century. We encourage papers from postgraduate researchers at any stage and ECRs from a range of fields. As the conference will be held virtually this year, we welcome participants from all locations, national or international, to take the opportunity to present and receive feedback on their work.

Papers may address, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- Social movements and campaigns
- Turning points, revolutionary moments •
- Utopian thought/ Dystopian realities
- Social responsibilities, past and present •
- Outcasts, outlaws and revolutionaries
- Formal and stylistic change
- Radical education and resistance
- Colonialism and its legacies
- Environmental concerns
- Liberation and independence

Please send abstracts of 200 words, along with a short biography (50 words) to lncssgs@gmail.com by 27th November 2020. The committee will confirm the programme shortly after that date.