The ‘Other’ Border: Canada and the United States
A SYMPOSIUM PRESENTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL FORUM FOR U.S. STUDIES: A CENTER FOR THE TRANSNATIONAL STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Thursday, March 8 — Saturday March 10, 2018
International Studies Building (ISB), Room 101, 910 S. 5th Street, Champaign
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

President Trump’s election has drawn increased attention to the U.S.-Mexico border, but it has also resulted in changes on the northern U.S. border. The ‘Other’ Border is a response to the need to theorize this relationship and its historical and evolving dimensions. The symposium is the culmination of a larger collective project by IFUSS residenti al Research Fellows from outside the university, and from across the humanities, arts, and social sciences.

Thursday Evening March 8
7:00—7:15 pm  Jane Desmond, Director, International Forum for US Studies, University of Illinois
Welcoming Remarks and Introduction

7:15—8:00 pm  Patrick Imbert, University of Ottawa
Canada: From Static Dualism and Imaginary Borders to Fluid Connectivities in the Knowledge Based Society.

8:00—8:15 pm  Discussion

8:15—9:00 pm  Reception

Friday March 9
8:30—9:00 am  Coffee and Welcome: Virginia R. Dominguez, Co-Founder and Consulting Director, IFUSS

9:00—10:00 am  Paul Bowles, University of Northern British Columbia Traditional Territory of the Lheidli T’enneh
Pipelines and Borders.

10:00—11:00 am  Steven Hewitt, University of Birmingham

11:00—Noon  Eva Szabo, Eötvös Loránd University
Refugee Aspects of the American Civil War and the U.S.-Canadian Cross-Border Region.

12:00—1:30 pm  Lunch on your own.

1:30—2:20 pm  Karen Flynn, University of Illinois
Rethinking the ‘Other’ Border: Caribbean Migration to Canada.

2:20—2:30 pm  Coffee

2:30—3:30 pm  Heike Paul, Friedrich-Alexander-University

3:30—4:30 pm  Gilberto Rosas, University of Illinois; Jenny Davis, University of Illinois; Alejandro Lugo, Arizona State University, Commentary and Discussion.

Saturday Morning March 10
8:30—9:00 am  Coffee

9:00—10:00 am  Adina Balint, University of Winnipeg
Contemporary Cultural Encounters: Canada and the United States-- Literature and Visual Arts.

10:00—11:00 am  Astrid Fellner, University of Saarland
Alterna(rra)tives in the Canada-US Borderlands.

11:00—Noon  Jasmin Habib (co-organizer and moderator), University of Waterloo, Closing discussion and future plans.

Symposium Co-Sponsors:
Latino/a Studies; Anthropology; Women & Gender in Global Perspectives (WGGP), American Indian Studies

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