



## National Association for Ethnic Studies 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference | Call for Proposals



March 8-10, 2018

Virginia Commonwealth University | Richmond, Virginia

### *The Ongoing Struggle: Confronting White Neo-Nationalism, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Racisms, and Settler Colonialism*

The 46<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the National Association for Ethnic Studies invites proposals, papers, workshops, roundtable discussions, film screenings, performances, and other mediums that interrogate white supremacy, racisms, and settler colonialism in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. NAES is dedicated to host community members, leading activists, educators, students, researchers, and advocates whose activism and scholarship seek to directly challenge the ongoing global movement of white neo-nationalism and structural racism as well as everyday, yet equally subjugating, microaggressions - forms of racism in our daily interpersonal exchanges and lives. We strongly welcome and encourage proposals that engage cultural, political, and community-based work, particularly in the realm of anti-black racism, Afro-Pessimism, indigenous rights, and social justice.

Hosted by the College of Humanities and Sciences and the Department of Political Science at Virginia Commonwealth University, the conference in the old capital of the Confederacy in the US, Richmond, Virginia, offers an ideal location from which to explore our shared and unique histories and knowledges, the driving forces in many global movements today that seek to confront the illusion of white superiority. Richmond's history as a central slave trading port, its infamous schools, bridges, streets, and monuments in honor of Confederates, and as the capital of the Commonwealth of Virginia that is home to the growing white supremacist movement in the US, makes the region most significant in our anti-racist research and activism. The paradox of Richmond today – a city that is 50% black and enjoys progressive leadership – with its ugly past – engenders a ripe environment to defend ethnic studies.

**Proposals (250 words max.) should be submitted by December 1, 2017 via our website at: [www.ethnicstudies.org](http://www.ethnicstudies.org). Acceptance notifications will be announced December 15, 2017.**



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