Call for Papers:
Graduate Student Conference on the Cold War
May 2-4, 2024
Venue: The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

The Cold War Group (GWCW) at The George Washington University (GWU), the Center for Cold War Studies and International History (CCWS) of the University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB), and the Department of International History at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) are pleased to announce the 2024 Graduate Student Conference on the Cold War. The conference will take place at GWU in Washington, D.C. from Thurs. evening May 2 through Sat. evening May 4, 2024.

The conference offers an excellent opportunity for graduate students to present papers and receive critical feedback from peers and experts in the field. We encourage submissions by graduate students from around the globe working on any aspect of the Cold War, broadly defined. Of particular interest are papers that employ newly available primary sources or nontraditional methodologies as well as papers that explore new subjects.

To be considered, each prospective participant should submit a two-page proposal, a two-page bibliography, and a brief academic CV all as one document in Word or pdf format, to gwcoldwargroup@gmail.com by Friday, February 9, 2024. Notification of acceptance will occur by Thursday, March 7. Successful applicants will be expected to email their papers (not longer than 25 pages) by Friday, April 12. The author of the strongest paper will have the opportunity to publish it as an article in the journal Cold War History.

The conference will begin on the evening of Thursday, May 2, and continue until the early evening of Saturday, May 4. Students should not apply to the conference unless they are prepared, upon admission, to attend the conference for its full duration. The chairs and commentators of the conference sessions will be prominent faculty members from GW, UCSB, LSE, and elsewhere. Accommodation in double rooms at a hotel near GW’s campus will be covered by the program but travel to DC will not be. Students are advised to check with their department or school about covering their travel expenses.

For inquiries, contact Prof. Hope M. Harrison, gwcoldwargroup@gmail.com.

In 2003, GW and UCSB first joined their separate spring conferences, and two years later LSE became a co-sponsor. The three cold war centers now hold a jointly
sponsored conference each year, alternating among the three campuses. For more information on our three programs, please visit our respective websites:

https://ieres.elliott.gwu.edu/programs/gw-cold-war-group/

https://ccws.history.ucsb.edu/

https://www.lse.ac.uk/International-History/ColdWarStudies