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San Francisco State University
CENTER FOR IRANIAN DIASPORA STUDIES
Presents its Inaugural International Conference

Forty Years and More:

IRANIAN DIASPORA STUDIES

Research and Scholarship in the Humanities and Social Sciences

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CONFERENCE: MARCH 28-30, 2019
Seven Hills Conference Center, San Francisco State University

PROPOSALS DUE: July 1, 2018

While 2019 marks the forty-year anniversary of the 1979 Iranian Revolution and the dramatic changes it brought to Iranian society, the **Center for Iranian Diaspora Studies** seeks to recognize this anniversary by understanding the ways that Iranians as exiles, immigrants, and as second- and third-generation hyphenated citizens of their respective nations have met with both the challenges and opportunities of diaspora experience. This conference seeks to narrate & understand the challenges of "belonging" in new political and personal contexts, and in acknowledging the contributions that Iranian diaspora subjects have made to the societies where they live. This conference speaks to the need to recognize the cultural, political, and national terrain(s) that have defined the approximately 5 million Iranians who have left Iran in the years immediately following the revolution as well as in subsequent migrations throughout the past four decades.

The conference will highlight the growing research and scholarship by those trained in Humanities and Arts, Social Sciences, and in disciplines such as Iranian Studies, Ethnic Studies, American Studies, Diaspora Studies, etc. We welcome proposals from across academic disciplines that might address some of the following:

Potential Conference Themes/Topics

* Iranian Diaspora Communities in Major Metropolitan Areas of the Globe

- * Racialization & Marginalization of Iranians in Diaspora
- * Diaspora Media & Transnational Circuits of Culture
- * Art, Literature & Filmic Representation of Iranian Diaspora Subjects
- * New Methods of Social Research & Iranian Diaspora Communities
- * Excavating Histories/Stories of Iranians in New National Contexts
- * Archives, Building Archives & Research
- * Census, State, & National Contexts of Participation
- * Schisms Between Generations of Iranian Diaspora Subjects

In addition to a number of invited guest speakers, we invite proposals for individual presentations as well as panels that highlight scholarly research of Iranian diaspora across the globe in the fields of humanities, social sciences, and the arts in disciplines such as anthropology, sociology, film studies, literature, visual arts, media studies, etc. Please feel free to email Dr. Karim with any questions (see below).

Paper proposals must include a 300-word abstract and be submitted to Dr. Persis Karim, via email (persiskarim@sfsu.edu) Deadline extended to July 1, 2018. Please write "diaspora conference abstract 2019" in the subject header of your email.



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More information about travel, hotels, and conference details will be available after June 15, 2018.