Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History: Conversations

Aim of Feature:

The Journal of Colonialism and Colonial Histories invites submissions for a new feature, ‘JCCH Conversations’, which will document a discussion among scholars on an issue related to colonial histories, their legacies, and their resonances in contemporary debates. Contributors will address issues relating to historiographical, thematic or methodological debates on the topic under discussion, but are also encouraged to address how their research illuminates contemporary concerns or debates on that topic. We particularly invite submissions on topics of pressing contemporary relevance, for example: refugees and forced migration, environment and conservation, or human rights. The ‘Conversation’ will take the format of a transcript of a written conversation between contributors. This feature aims to alert readers to how historians are currently tackling major issues in the field and/or current social concerns which have their roots in colonial history, highlighting current and forthcoming research in a manner which should be accessible to undergraduate and non-specialist readers.

Process:

• Enquiries to the editors about possible topics to be directed to jcch.editor@leicester.ac.uk. Please send an abstract of c.200 words outlining the topic for discussion, along with three to five questions to frame the discussion, and a list of contributors in the Conversation with brief biographies.
• Convenors will agree with the JCCH editorial team (normally consisting of the Editor and Book Reviews Editor) a list of questions to frame the discussion and the timeframe for submission. JCCH is published three times a year, with deadlines for publication in [February, May and October]
• Convenors will circulate the questions to Conversation contributors and curate the written responses. It is hoped that these questions will generate debate and discussion between the contributors. It is not expected that all contributors response to each question.
• The Conversation will not be sent out for external peer review, but will be proofed and edited for clarity by the JCCH editorial team.

Length and Format:

• Conversations submissions should be in the form of a discussion transcript. It should start with a brief outline of the topic/research under discussion, before moving onto questions and answers
• Conversations submissions must be double-spaced, in 12-point Times font. They must between 2,500-5,000 words maximum, inclusive. They must be submitted as a Word document (.docx). Please see JCCH author guidelines for further details of style and layout: https://www.press.jhu.edu/journals/journal_of_colonialism_and_colonial_history/guidelines.html.
• Contributors names and institutional affiliations should be listed between the title and beginning of the discussion.
• Questions should be set apart, as a sub-heading.
• Each statement from a contributor should be marked by their surname at the beginning of the statement.