MA Dissertation Conference 2018:
Transnational Studies and Chinese Health & Humanity

Wednesday 23 May, 09.00-13.00
Room 101, 16-18 Gordon Square

9.00-10.00 The politics of representation and narrative
CHARLEY BENDALL: ‘The patchiness of petrocultures: constructing a transnational image of oil’
YANN ZHANG: ‘Constructing human nature in the Age of Enlightenment: the formation of Voltaire’s image of China’
YANG XINGYUE: ‘Hiding in plain sight: Chinese films and persistent gender inequality in the People’s Republic of China’
MIRIAM GARTNER: ‘Why we’re here: narrating the city in refugee-led Berlin walking tours’

10.00-10.45 Identities and experiences
YANG YI: ‘The plasticity of Zhongyi: what makes Chinese medicine a living tradition?’
CHINA JIAHE: ‘Do Chinese Korean War veterans suffer from PTSD?’
DAVID VAN OEVEREN: ‘The role of sexuality in the construction of national identities in the United States during the Cold War’
ERIN DOU: ‘The power of language: the reconstruction of Hong Kong identity, 1997-2017’

10.45-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-11.45 Transnational solidarities
LUIS STREETER: ‘Shaping Mexico’s post-revolutionary society: the impact of transnational inter-American exiles, 1917-1940’
SHEREEN LAFAH: ‘Colonialism must fall? How do issues of imperialism affect modern youth political activism?’
KATE VOROBYEVA: ‘Transnational responsibility: Russian philanthropic activity in contemporary London’

11.45-12.20 Transnational lives in a global city: London
JUAN BRINT-GUTIERREZ: ‘London’s invisible migrants: exploring the identities of contemporary London’s Latin American community’
JUSTINE BRAITHWAITE: ‘The construction of Japanese cultural authenticity through Japanese food consumption in contemporary London’
REBECCA WATSON-BROWN: ‘Transnational identities and practices of Germans in London, especially after the 2016 EU referendum’

12.20-12.45 The role of the nation-state in a transnational world
TOM BARKER: ‘Outsourcing the nation-state: NGOs and democracy in East Africa’
INSHAAL AHMAD: ‘The smart contract: breaking the chains of nation with the blockchain’