



**10th Annual African, African American, and Diaspora Studies Interdisciplinary Conference, James Madison University, Feb 20-21, 2020**

The African, African American, and Diaspora Studies program at James Madison University invites proposals for its annual interdisciplinary conference, to be held on the campus of JMU in Harrisonburg, Virginia on February 20-21, 2020. This year's theme is "Black Temporalities: Past, Present, and Future." Ranging across topics from oral history to Afrofuturism, the conference will bring together a group of scholars from a wide variety of overlapping and intersecting fields. The conference will feature a keynote presentation by novelist Nalo Hokinson (*Midnight Robber; Brown Girl in the Ring*), and a featured talk by the JMU Dean of Libraries, Dr. Bethany Nowviskie, who writes on liberatory and speculative digital library design.

We welcome proposals from scholars in all relevant disciplines at any point in their scholarly careers. Proposals for 20-minute presentations or 60-minute panels could address topics such as:

Afrofuturism	Oral Histories
Archaeology	Postcolonial and Decolonial Knowledges
Black Digital Humanities	Posthumanisms
Commemorative Practices	Queer Futurities
Continuity	Reclamation
Environmental Justice	Reparations
History	Rupture
Humanisms	Science and Technology
Memory	Slow Violence
Modernism	Speculative Fiction
Modernity	Trauma
Myth	Witnessing

Please send any questions and/or 300-word presentation proposals (or 1000-word panel proposals) to [aaadstudies@jmu.edu](mailto:aaadstudies@jmu.edu) by October 15, 2019. Proposals should include a presentation and/or panel title, along with each presenter's name, institutional affiliation, email address, and a brief bio. Panel proposals must include at least three panelists.

Decisions will be made by Nov. 15, 2019. Updates regarding conference registration and accommodation details will be posted to [www.aaadjmu.com/](http://www.aaadjmu.com/) and will be provided to presenters as the conference date draws near.