

Call for Panelist and Commentator (Berks 2020): State Control of Women's Reproduction

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We are organizing a panel on government control of women's reproduction, population politics, eugenics, pro-natalism, and motherhood for the 2020 Berkshire Conference on the history of women, gender, and sexuality in Baltimore. We are looking for a chair or commentator and possibly one more panelist.

Our panel will examine how governments in the US and Europe have sought to control women's reproduction through eugenics, pro-natalism, motherhood, and colonialism. We are particularly interested in how eugenic thought shaped the colonialism, the law, and women's access to healthcare and education. We welcome submissions from scholars in related and relevant fields. While our work is focused on the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, we are also open to papers that deal with issues in other geographical regions and time periods.

Please email Julia B. Haager-Devin (jdevin2@binghamton.edu) by March 8, 2019 if you have any questions and/or are interested in commenting on or joining our panel. The deadline for submission of complete panels to the Berkshire Conference is March 17, 2019; for the call for papers, see (<https://berks.confex.com/berks/berks20/cfp.cgi>).