QCC Diversity Caucus
Sankofa Lecture Series

Upcoming Speakers for Academic Year 2018-2019

Dr. Alison Okuda, Assistant Professor of History, Worcester State University
Friday, October 19th – Hebert Auditorium – 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Specializing in West African and African Diasporic history, with a particular concentration on Gold Coast and Ghanaian history, Dr. Okuda recently completed a Post-Doctoral Fellowship at New York University.

Dr. Chad Williams, Samuel J. and Augusta Spector Chair in History, Brandeis University
Friday, October 26th – Hebert Auditorium – 1:00pm to 2:00pm

A scholar of early 20th century African American history, Dr. Williams is a Research Fellow at Harvard University and recently appeared in a PBS documentary on World War I.

Dr. Jasmine Johnson, Assistant Professor of Theatre Arts and Performance Studies, Brown University
Friday, March 29th – Hebert Auditorium – 1:00pm to 2:00pm

A Ford Foundation Diversity Fellow holding a doctorate in African Diaspora Studies from UC-Berkeley, Dr. Johnson’s research focuses on dances of the African Diaspora, most prominently in her upcoming book Rhythm Nation: West African Dance and the Politics of Diaspora.

Dr. Sarah Ohmer, Assistant Professor of Latin American, Latino and Puerto Rican Studies, Lehman College-CUNY
Friday, April 19th – Hebert Auditorium – 1:00pm to 2:00pm

A former Fulbright Fellow researching Afro-Brazilian women, identity, and literature in Sao Paulo, Dr. Ohmer looks at the intersection of gender, race, and trauma for Black women particularly in Brazil, Cuba, and the United States.