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## AJHA MEMBERS SLATED TO PRESENT AT AEJMC SOUTHEAST COLLOQUIUM

American Journalism Historians Association members and their students are scheduled to present a broad range of historical knowledge at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication 2015 Southeast Colloquium.

Four faculty members and four students will discuss their research during the History Division sessions from 1:45-3 p.m. March 27 and 9-10:15 a.m. March 28 at the Black Cultural Center on the University of Tennessee campus. AJHA President Erika Pribanic-Smith, who is History Division research chair for the Southeast Colloquium, said that the number of submissions to the History Division nearly doubled from 2014.

"We got a number of excellent papers this year," Pribanic-Smith said. "History scholarship will be well represented in Knoxville."

The March 27 session includes papers by Dianne Bragg (University of Alabama), Cayce Myers (Virginia Tech; Best Faculty Paper), Selina Nadeau (student, Ohio University), and Willie Tubbs (student, University of Southern Mississippi). Chandra Clark (Florida A&M) will moderate, and Jinx Broussard (Louisiana State University) will serve as discussant.

Authors to present on March 28 include Katherine Blunt (student, Elon University), Elizabeth Bonner (University of Alabama; Best Student Paper), Melita Garza (Texas Christian University), and Thomas Hrach (University of Memphis). Myers will moderate, and Gwyn Mellinger (Xavier University) will serve as discussant.

AJHA members Amber Roessner and Michael Martinez are coordinating the AEJMC Southeast Colloquium, which also will include papers and panels in the Law and Policy, Magazine, Electronic News, Newspaper and Online News, and Open divisions. For more information on the conference, visit http://jem.cci.utk.edu/colloquium15.

Founded in 1981, the American Journalism Historians Association seeks to advance education and research in mass communication history. Members work to raise historical standards and ensure that all scholars and students recognize the vast importance of media history and apply this knowledge to the advancement of society.

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