

Letter from the Editor

I am pleased to present the new volume of the UCLA Historical Journal. The four articles in this journal are from authors who participated in the first annual UCLA History Graduate Student Association Conference in October 2011 entitled History Plus. These articles represent some of the interdisciplinary work being done by young scholars inside and outside of our university. I would like to thank all of the authors of the articles and book reviews for their submissions and the editorial staff including Rebecca Dufendach, Kristen Hillarie Glasgow, Brian Kovalesky, Susan Rosenfeld, and Fernando Serrano Jr. The new initiatives in the department, such as the journal and the conference, would not be possible without the support of the faculty and staff of the UCLA Department of History, especially Nancy Dennis, Hadley Porter, Eboni Shaw, and Department Chair David Myers. I would also like to extend my thanks to Stacey Meeker from GSA Publications. I hope that the journal and the conference will continue to reflect the level of scholarship and commitment of the graduate students in the UCLA department of History.

Sincerely,
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Editor-in-chief