

**Call for Papers**  
**International Perspectives on Indigenous Transnational Experiences**  
**Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic**  
**29- 30 May 2025**

The past two decades have seen the publication of exciting scholarship on Indigenous international travel, diplomacy, advocacy, and activism from the eighteenth century to contemporary times. Much of this work has focused on formal diplomatic encounters with European nation states, on Native peoples from North America, and on the United Nations as a site for political action. This workshop endeavors to bring together a select group of scholars from across the globe whose work focuses on Indigenous *transnational experiences*, broadly conceived. While we welcome new perspectives on political diplomacy and activism, Native North America, and the United Nations, we are especially interested in expanding the conversation to include Indigenous peoples the world over and other areas of inquiry, including but not limited to music, art, sports, performance, language, literature, religion, medicine, knowledge, technology, and business. Our goal in situating this workshop in a global Indigenous context—both in terms of the scholarship and the scholars producing it—is to arrive at a more expansive view of how Indigenous peoples have always and continue to extend or go beyond national boundaries. Our emphasis on transnational experiences—as opposed to the more limited notion of Indigenous internationalism—endeavors to open a new field of study with unlimited possibilities and transformational potential.

The workshop will take place over the course of two full days at Charles University in Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, with the third day serving as a day to experience the city. The organizers will select a group of scholars from the pool of applicants. Those selected will pre-circulate their papers, give a presentation, and critically engage the work of their peers during the workshop. We will then gauge interest in expanding these essays for inclusion in a volume for publication with a university press.

Participants will be responsible for their own airfare, travel, rooms, and dinners. Charles University will provide light refreshments and lunch during the workshop and has negotiated reduced rates at selected hotels in Prague.

Please submit a 500-word paper abstract and a short bio to the workshop organizers at [dcobb@unc.edu](mailto:dcobb@unc.edu) and [lucie.kyrova@fsv.cuni.cz](mailto:lucie.kyrova@fsv.cuni.cz) by **December 10, 2024**. Notifications about acceptance will be made by **January 6, 2025**. Essays for pre-circulation will need to be submitted by **April 15, 2025**.

Language of papers and presentations: English

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