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## FREEDOM OF SPEECH, c. 1550–c. 1850

7–8 April 2017

The George Washington Forum on American Ideas, Politics, and Institutions, which has its home at Ohio University, invites paper proposals for a conference and subsequent edited volume on the history of the freedom of speech, c. 1550–c.1850.

The conference will be held at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio (7–8 April 2017). Debora Shuger (UCLA), Ann Thomson (European University Institute), David Womersley (Oxford) and David Como (Stanford) will deliver plenary lectures.

This conference aims to promote academic discussion and to explore new research trends the history of freedom of speech. The conference organizers welcome the work of advanced doctoral students and both young and established scholars in the fields of history, intellectual history, law and literature and other fields in which the history of free speech is a topic of research.

Proposals – which should include a 500-word abstract, a brief curriculum vitae, and current contact information should be sent by 23 December 2016, to the conference organizers.

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Notifications will be sent by 6 January 2017.