



College of Arts and Sciences  
Colloquium  
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## Call for Papers

Open to everyone in the University community

# Thinking About Empire

In light of recent events in the world and the interest in understanding the role of the United States in world affairs, we are organizing a day-long colloquium at SIUE on Empire. We seek organized panels and roundtables that explore Empire in as broad a context as possible and approach the topic from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. The panels may consist of paper presentations followed by discussion or roundtable conversations involving questions from panel and audience members. Each panel should consist of at least 3 presenters or discussants. Individual submissions will also be accepted and grouped into panels by the steering committee. We hope that speakers and discussants will address issues of empire from antiquity to the present, and from any geographic or cultural perspective. Suggested panel topics may include, but are not limited to, the following:

The United States as Empire in the 21<sup>st</sup> century

Defining Empire: Comparisons, Historical Examples, Theories and Typologies of Empire

Empire and Representation: The Arts, Culture, and the Media

Empire and the Rule of Law

Empire and the Individual Experience

Empire and Gender and/or Race

Alternatives to Empires: The United Nations and Non-Governmental Organizations

Are Empires Good or Bad?

Empire and the World Economy

Empire, Science, and Technology

Empire and the Military

Empire: Implications for Social Welfare, Poverty, Health, and Human Rights



Please submit items to **Carl Springer, Box 1608** by **March 1st, 2004**