

PROGRAM

SHAFR – Summer Institute

Sunday, June 21 to Wednesday, June 24, 2026

SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 21, 2026

- 9:15am *Leave the Blackwell Inn for Derby Hall*
 - Ian Gammon, Hayes Chair GRA, will meet you in the hotel lobby and walk with you to Derby Hall.
 - 1039 Derby Hall, 154 N. Oval Mall, Columbus, OH 43210
- 9:30am *Coffee, Tea, Light Breakfast – Mingle, get to know each other*
- 10:15-11:00am *Introductions and Opening Remarks*
 - Christopher McKnight Nichols and Andrew Preston
 - The Summer Institute, SHAFR, and “Strategic Culture”
- 11:00am-12:00pm *Workshop Panel 1*
 - Christopher Hulshof presents, Cody Billock comments
- 12:00-1:00PM *Lunch*
- 1:00-2:00pm *Workshop Panel 1 Cont’d*
 - Cody Billock presents, Christopher Hulshof comments
- 2:00-2:20pm *Break*
- 2:20-3:20pm *Workshop Panel 2*
 - Emily Needham presents, Emilie Cunning comments
- 3:20-3:40pm *Break*
- 3:40-4:40pm *Workshop Panel 2 Cont’d*



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- Emilie Cuning presents, Emily Needham comments
- 6:00pm ***Dinner as a group, meet in hotel lobby***

Monday, June 22, 2026

- 8:45am ***Leave the Blackwell Inn for Derby Hall***
 - 1039 Derby Hall, 154 N. Oval Mall, Columbus, OH 43210
- 9:00am ***Coffee, Tea, Light Breakfast***
- 9:30-10:15am ***Opening session on writing for and working with wider publics***
 - Christopher McKnight Nichols and Andrew Preston
- 10:15-11:15am ***Workshop Panel 3***
 - Sean Case presents, Shelby Jones comments
- 11:15-11:30am ***Break***
- 11:30am-12:30pm ***Workshop Panel 3 Cont'd***
 - Shelby Jones presents, Sean Case comments
- 12:30-1:15pm ***Lunch***
- 1:15-3:20pm ***Workshop Panel 4***
 - Pasuth Thothaveesansuk presents, Bohan Zhang comments
- 2:15-2:30pm ***Break***
- 2:30-3:30pm ***Workshop Panel 4 Cont'd***
 - Bohan Zhang presents, Pasuth Thothaveesansuk comments
- 3:30-3:40pm ***Break***
- 3:40-4:40pm ***Workshop Panel 5***
 - Marc Reyes presents, Joseph Johnson comments
- 4:40-4:50pm ***Break***
- 4:50- 5:50pm ***Workshop Panel 5 Cont'd***
 - Joseph Johnson presents, Marc Reyes comments



- *Evening off. Dinner and transportation on your own.*

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

- 8:45am *Leave the Blackwell Inn for Derby Hall*
 - 1039 Derby Hall, 154 N. Oval Mall, Columbus, OH 43210
- 9:00am *Coffee, Tea, Light Breakfast*
- 9:15-10:15am *Workshop Panel 6*
 - Layton Ho presents, Robert Diaz comments
- 10:15-10:30am *Break*
- 10:30-11:30am *Workshop Panel 6 Cont'd*
 - Robert Diaz presents, Layton Ho comments
- 11:30am-1:15pm *Lunch Panel - From Op-Eds to Articles to... Books*
 - A lunch panel and discussion on academic and public writing and publishing. Nichols and Preston to moderate with:
 - Anne Foster, Professor of History, Indiana State University, Co-editor Diplomatic History
 - Mitch Lerner, Professor of History, The Ohio State University, Editor Journal of American-East Asian Relations
 - Andrew Kinney, Hodding Carter III Executive Editor, University of North Carolina Press
- 1:15-1:45pm *Possible meetings with editors (please reach out to schedule in advance)*
- 1:45-2:45pm *Workshop Panel 7*
 - Charlie Heffernan-Brown presents, Zachary Tayler comments
- 2:45-3:00pm *Break*
- 3:00-4:00pm *Workshop Panel 7 Cont'd*
 - Zachary Tayler presents, Charlie Heffernan-Brown comments
- 4:00-4:10pm *Break*



- 4:10-5:10pm **Workshop Panel 8**
 - Holly Harris presents, Faith Lazar comments
- 5:15pm **Possible meetings with editors (please reach out to schedule in advance)**
 - On book and article publishing: UNC Editor Andrew Kinney and DH co-editor Anne Foster, as well as Mitch Lerner, will be available to schedule individual meetings June 24-25, and during the SHAFR Conference
- 5:45-7:30pm **Final Dinner/Drinks**
 - Informal drop-in happy hour bites and beverages at Understory (2571 Neil Avenue, Columbus, OH, 43202)
 - Come when you want, can walk over directly (about 1 mile walk, we can reimburse for rideshare as well)
 - Visiting Scholars to join when they arrive

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

- 8:30am **Leave the Blackwell Inn for Derby Hall**
 - 1039 Derby Hall, 154 N. Oval Mall, Columbus, OH 43210
- 8:45am **Coffee, Tea, Light Breakfast**
- 9:15-10:15am **Workshop Panel 8 Cont'd**
 - Faith Lazar presents, Holly Harris comments
- 10:15-10:30am **Break**
- 10:30-11:15am **Wrap up and first session with visiting scholars**
 - Summer Institute, research and writing tips for early career scholars (visiting scholars to attend)
- 11:15am **Walk to OSU Faculty Club**
 - 181 Oval Drive South, Columbus, Ohio 43210
- 11:30am-2:00pm A State of the Field Discussion and Summer Institute Culminating Lunch
 - “Strategic Cultures and Beyond—What are exciting new directions in the study of



U.S. foreign relations broadly defined?”

- Nichols and Preston moderate. Invited Speakers:
 - Anne Foster, Indiana State University Professor
 - Elisabeth Ingleson, University of Cambridge Professor
 - Adriane Lentz-Smith, Duke University Professor
 - David Milne, University of East Anglia Professor

Thursday, June 25 to Saturday, June 27, 2026

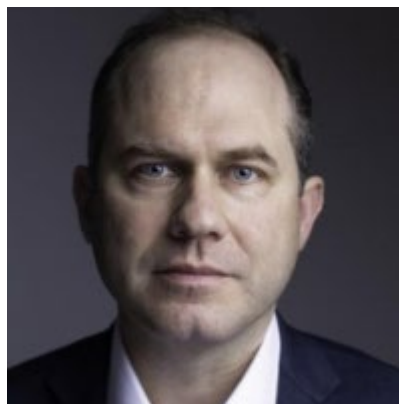
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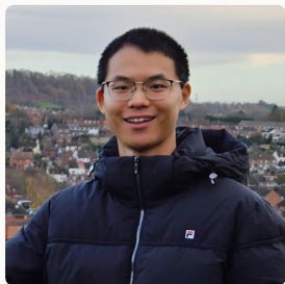
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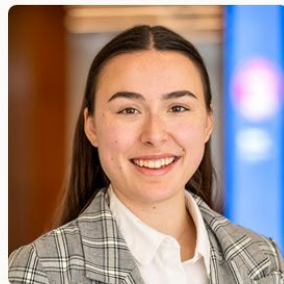
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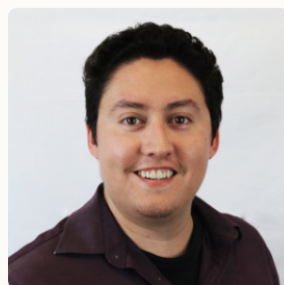
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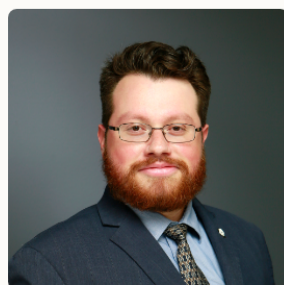
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