

CECIL MANONA WORKSHOP 29th SEPTEMBER 2016 UNIVERSITY OF VENDA

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The "Cecil Manona Workshop" brings together postgraduate students and facilitators for a one-day intensive workshop on anthropology. This year we plan to disrupt structures and ways of thinking in a "one day experiment" on thinking around and about anthropology in the current moment.

#FeesMustFall and other similar student led movements are recent developments in South African history, ushering a moment that needs further engagement through academic scholarship and a dialogue with our youth. As disruption continues in many ways and forms around us, let us take advantage of this opportune moment to engage in a debate that is energetic, confrontational and disorderly as we share in a discussion on a decoloniality of anthropology.

The aim of this workshop is to create a space in which postgraduate students from universities and colleges in Southern Africa are brought together to engage in an energetic dialogue facilitated by scholars who teach Anthropology in Southern Africa and have a wealth of personal moments of *decoloniality* of the *normal*. Our aim is to provide a space in which students and facilitators are able to engage in energetic, affective and even confrontational discussion in relation to the conference theme Anthropology in the current moment.

Post-graduate students registered for Masters and Doctoral degrees in Anthropology are invited to apply to participate in this workshop where they will be expected to contribute to co-produce a response to the conference theme. There are funding opportunities for a limited number of participants who will be chosen based on merit.

Outcomes:

The outcome of this experiment/workshop will result in a plenary discussion at the ASnA conference this year where you will engage further with fellow students and academics on key issues raised at the workshop.

Who should Register?

All postgraduate students studying anthropology in Southern Africa are eligible, and also those students are already engaging in such a dialogue. Students who are tutors, students completing their dissertation in anthropology and those who partake in academic scholarship will be particularly encouraged to participate.

How to apply?

Write a 500 - 800 word essay arguing why you should be selected for this experiment. Briefly tell us who you are, what your interests are and why you should be selected.

E-mail your submission to (Hemali) at (anthrovc@gmail.com) by (29th July 2016).

Details:

The workshop will take place on 29th September (a day before the conference starts) at the University of Venda. The plenary discussion will take place at the conference on 30th September. Information and details regarding the workshop and plenary will be communicated by the end of June.

Note the workshop is subsidised - ASnA will fund lunch and stationery for all thirty participants.

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