



Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes
Sustaining New Humanities Centers and Institutes
Thursday, June 4, 2020
12:00pm – 2:00pm Eastern Daylight (-4:00 UTC)

Meeting Description:

In a recent interview with CHCI, Jie-Hyun Lim (Director of the Critical Global Studies Institute at Sogang University in Seoul, Korea) reflected that COVID-19 is forcing HCI leaders to learn “how to slow down without losing the vitality.” This balancing act is especially important for the new centers and institutes that have emerged around the world. The aim of this meeting is to bring together directors of new HCIs (founded within the past decade) to discuss the challenges and opportunities of making plans for an uncertain year ahead. We envision this meeting being the start of a new CHCI network and the beginning of an on-going conversation between new HCIs. This meeting is open to all CHCI members, and we hope it is an opportunity to create a moment of affinity and exchange.

Meeting Schedule:

12:00pm -12:10pm - Participant Welcome, Meeting Rules

12:10pm -12:40pm - Session 1: Introductions (Plenary if less than 40)

- Name
- Institution
- How long has your center existed?
- What is the top thing on your mind for the center right now?

12:40pm - 1:10pm - Session 2: Setting Priorities and Establishing Key Programs(20-min. breakout groups, 5-6 people; 10-min. plenary)

- What are your institute’s priorities for the coming academic year?
- What key programs would you like to run in the coming academic year?

1:10pm - 1:40pm - Session 3: The Place of the Humanities Now in Higher Education: Advocacy / Engaging and Supporting Faculty and Students (20-min. breakout groups, 5-6 people; 10-min. plenary)

- How can your center engage and support faculty and students at this critical time?
- What challenges and opportunities do you see for engagement and advocacy?
- What resources have you identified?

1:40pm - 2:00 pm - Session 4: Identifying Needs / Future Meetings / Next Steps (Plenary)

- What are your institute’s most pressing?
- What topics would you like to discuss in future meetings?
- What can CHCI do to support this group in addressing needs?

Accessibility

- Please mute so as to avoid unintentional auidial interference
- We will be using a shared Google Doc to collect comments, resources, and questions, which must be turned on and which will be monitored throughout the session.
- Please avoid using the public Chat function for side or casual conversation
- Please be aware that the audio, video, and chat of this conversation will be recorded



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- Please be aware that sections or the entirety of this virtual meeting may be shared publicly on the CHCI website

Technical Support

There will be two CHCI staff on this meeting providing technical and logistical support. Please contact them via Zoom's Private Chat function or by e-mail.

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