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Transnationalism and Walls: History and Limits?

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Will be held via Zoom (This Event May Be Recorded)



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Americans in Paris: Businessmen, Countesses, Wayward Youth, 1880-1941; *A Century of Transnationalism: Immigrants and their Homeland Connections* (co-ed. with Roger Waldinger); and *The Limits of Transnationalism*.

As walls make a return to border-crossings, do we need to revise the focus on transnationalism? Transnationalism has become a buzzword in migration studies and beyond for three decades now. It has been a fruitful adjunct to discussions about globalization. But there have also been questions about its pervasiveness across time and space. This talk aims at discussing the various ways in which the limits of transnationalism need to be addressed. The question is both methodological and contemporary. An interdisciplinary focus on both the past and the present provides challenges to an all-encompassing notion of transnationalism.

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