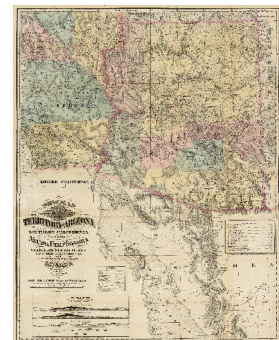


Guest Lecture

Brenden W. Rensink (Brigham Young University)

WHEN BORDERS CROSS NATIVES AND NATIVES CROSS BORDERS: A COMPARATIVE NORTH AMERICAN EXAMPLE

When the United States, Canada, and Mexico established their international borders, they drew them over existing indigenous homelands. Naturally, Native peoples regularly crossed those newly established boundaries. The resulting histories of borders crossing Natives and Natives crossing borders reveal complex struggles over sovereignty and mobility. In this context, Dr. Brenden W. Rensink compares the experiences of Crees, Chippewas, and Yaquis from Canada and Mexico crossed the US-Canadian and US-Mexican borders into the United States. This work explores the differences between the two borders, asks what it meant to be “foreign” Natives in the United States, and traces these groups struggles to find a home in Montana and Arizona.



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where: Saarland University, C 5 3, R. 120



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