Seminar and Events Programme for Michaelmas Term 2015

Friday 11 September 2015
Cambridge Film Festival
Screening of the documentary *Invisible Heroes: African-Americans in the Spanish Civil War*
(Héroes Invisibles: Afroamericanos en la Guerra de España)
Dir. Alfonso Domingo, Jordi Torrent. USA/ Spain, 2012, 74 mins. In Spanish with English subtitles.
Followed by a Q&A with Jordi Torrent and Prof. Paul Preston.
Time: 15.30 h.
Place: Arts Picturehouse, 38-39 St Andrew’s St, Cambridge CB2 3AR
In collaboration with the Catalan Observatory

Thursday 24 September 2015
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group
Subject of the month: Spain and Morocco
Speaker: Elisabeth Bolorinos Allard (Trinity College, Oxford), presenting a paper based on her current research entitled “Entre el ‘moro loco’ y el ‘moro hermano’: Ambivalences of Spanish cultural discourse on Morocco (1909-1927)."
Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Monday 28 September 2015
Universidad de Extremadura
Honorary degree award to Paul Preston
Time: 12.00 h.
Place: Universidad de Extremadura, Av. Universidad, s/n, 10003 Cáceres, Spain

Saturday 10 October 2015
Reel Solutions
Screening of the documentary *Invisible Heroes: African-Americans in the Spanish Civil War*
(Héroes invisibles: Afroamericanos en la Guerra de España)
Dir. Alfonso Domingo, Jordi Torrent. USA/ Spain, 2012, 74 mins. In Spanish with English subtitles.
Followed by a Q&A with Prof. Paul Preston.
Time: 18.30 h.
Place: Bertha DocHouse Screen, Curzon Bloomsbury, The Brunswick, London, WC1N 1AW
In collaboration with the Catalan Observatory
Thursday 15 October 2015  
Cañada Blanch Seminar  
*Stalinism on trial: Republican legality and the prosecution of the POUM*  
Speaker: [Jonathan Sherry](#) (Fulbright Fellow & PhD Candidate in History, University of Pittsburgh)  
Chair: Prof. [Paul Preston](#)  
Time: 18 h.  
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 22 October 2015  
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group  
Subject of the month: 'Entrenching Democracy: the Republican frontline press during the Spanish Civil War (1936-1939)'.  
Speaker: [Carl-Henrik Bjerstrom](#) (Birkbeck University)  
Time: 16 h.  
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Monday 26 October 2015  
Universidad de Valencia  
*Honorary degree award to Paul Preston*  
Time: 12 h.  
Place: Universitat de Valencia, Av. de Blasco Ibáñez, 13, 46010 Valencia, Spain

Thursday 29 October 2015  
Cañada Blanch Seminar  
**The Birth of Gernika**  
Speaker: [Gijs van Hensbergen](#) (Fellow of the Cañada Blanch Centre)  
Chair: Prof. [Paul Preston](#)  
Time: 18 h.  
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 5 November 2015  
Institute of Modern Languages Research & University of Nottingham  
**Trauma and Memory: Europe**  
Including keynote lecture at 16.30 h. by Prof. [Paul Preston: Repression of Civilians in the Spanish Civil War: Perpetrator Guilt?](#)  
Chair: Prof. [Jeremy Lawrance](#) (University of Nottingham)  
Time: 10-18.30 h.  
Place: Senate House, South Block, Room G34 (ground floor), Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU  
[http://events.sas.ac.uk/imlr/events/view/18659/Memosur%3A+Trauma+and+Memory](http://events.sas.ac.uk/imlr/events/view/18659/Memosur%3A+Trauma+and+Memory)
Tuesday 10 November 2015
David Vilaseca Memorial Lecture
From ‘Lives at the Limit’: histories against the grain – an unfinished dialogue with David
Speaker: Prof. Helen Graham (Royal Holloway)
Time: 18 h.
Place: Picture Gallery, Royal Holloway University of London, Egham, Surrey, TW20 0EX

Thursday 12 November 2015
Catalan Observatory-LSE
Barcelona, from Textiles to Technology: The Development of a Great City IV
Speakers: Dr. Marc Andreu (Universitat de Barcelona) and Prof. Sebastian Balfour (LSE)
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 16.30 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Wednesday 18 November 2015
Filmoteca de Catalunya
Followed by a discussion with Prof. Paul Preston, Sonia Tercero, Martínez Pisón (writer) and Esteve Riambau (director of the Filmoteca and biographer of Muñoz Suay).
Time: 19.30 h.
Place: Filmoteca de Catalunya, Plaça Salvador Seguí, 1-9, 08001 Barcelona, Spain

Thursday 19 November 2015
Observatori Europeu de Memòries de la Fundació Solidaritat UB
The memory of Franco 40 years after his death
Dialogue with Prof. Paul Preston and Josep Fontana (Emeritus Professor of Contemporary History, Universitat Pompeu Fabra). Presented by Josep M. Muñoz (director of L’Avenç).
Time: 19.00 h.
Place: Universitat de Barcelona, Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 585, 08007 Barcelona, Spain

Thursday 19 November 2015
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group
Subject of the month: 'The Flight to France and Concentration Camps: Spanish Refugees and the National Joint Committee for Spanish Relief'
Speaker: Kerrie Holloway (Queen Mary University of London)
Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11
Thursday 26 November 2015
Cañada Blanch Seminar

Squatters versus Urban Planners: Claiming the City / Contesting the State in Spain (1955-1986)

Speaker: Dr. Inbal Ofer (lecturer in Modern Spanish History at the Open University of Israel)
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 10 December 2015
Catalan Observatory-LSE

Screening of the documentary Institutions of Fear (Els internats de la por). Directors: Montse Armengou and Ricard Belis. Spain, 2015, 76 mins. In Catalan with English subtitles.
Presented by its co-director Montse Armengou
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 21 January 2016
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group

Subject of the month: 'Franco's Internationalists: Spanish health experts on the global stage, 1939-1975'
Speaker: David Bryan (Birkbeck, University of London)
Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 28 January 2016
Cañada Blanch Seminar

Speaker: Eladi Mainar (University of Valencia)

War within the Spanish Church at the End of Franco’s Regime
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11
Thursday 11 February 2016
Cañada Blanch Seminar
Speaker: Ángela Cenarro (University of Zaragoza)
*Women, Fascism and Francoism: The Sección Femenina of the Falange (1936-1975)*
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 18 February 2016
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group
Subject of the month: ‘The Conde de Mayalde and the Franco regime during WWII’
Speaker: Rudolf Blaise Savundra (Royal Holloway)
Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Wednesday 24 February 2016
LSE-CBC Literary Festival Discussion
*Fact versus Fiction? The Spanish Civil War in the Literary Imagination*
Speakers: Prof. Helen Graham (Royal Holloway), Eduardo Mendoza (novelist), Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 18.30 h.
Place: LSE, Wolfson Theatre, New Academic Building
http://www.lse.ac.uk/publicEvents/events/2016/02/LitFest20160224t1830vWT.aspx

Thursday 25 February 2016
British Spanish Society Centenary Conference
*Holding up the Mirror: One Hundred Years of British Spanish Cultural Relations*
Speakers: Prof. Paul Preston, Luis Gonzaga Martinez del Campo (Univ. Essex), Ana Romero (journalist and writer), Chris Bryant MP (Shadow Leader of the House of Commons), John Carlin (journalist and writer), Miles Johnson (journalist)
Chair: Jimmy Burns (journalist, writer, and chairman of the British Spanish Society)
Time: 18.30 h.
Place: Canning House, 14/15 Belgrave Square, London, SW1X 8PS
https://www.britishspanishsociety.org/event/holding-up-the-mirror-one-hundred-years-of-britishspanish-cultural-relations/

Wednesday 2 March 2016
Oxford University - Ciclo Madariaga
*We Saw Spain Die: Foreign Correspondents in the Spanish Civil War*
Speaker: Prof. Paul Preston
Introduced by: Diego Rubio (Junior Fellow University of Oxford)
Time: 17.30 h.
Place: Summer Common Room, Magdalen College, Oxford, OX1 4AU
Tuesday 8 March 2016
LSE Arts and Cañada Blanch Public Conversation
*Thus Bad Begins: A Conversation with Javier Marías*
Speaker: **Javier Marías** (novelist)
Chair: **Prof. Paul Preston**
Time: 18.30 h.
Place: LSE, Old Building, Old Theatre
[http://www.lse.ac.uk/publicEvents/events/2016/03/20160308t1830vOT.aspx](http://www.lse.ac.uk/publicEvents/events/2016/03/20160308t1830vOT.aspx)

Wednesday 9 March 2016
Institute of Historical Research Seminar
*Uses and Abuses of the Past*
Speakers: **Prof. Andrew Hussey** (School of Advanced Study, University of London), **Prof. Peter Hennessy** (Queen Mary), **Prof. Donald Sassoon** (Queen Mary), and **Prof. Paul Preston**
Chair: **Daniel Snowman** (writer and broadcaster)
Time: 18 h.
Place: Wolfson Conference Suite, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU

Saturday 12 March 2016
Len Crome Memorial Conference 2016
*Women and the Spanish Civil War*
Speakers: **Prof. Paul Preston**, **Prof. Helen Graham** (Royal Holloway), **Lynn Collins** (TUC), Dr. **Sylvia Martin** (writer), Dr. **Linda Palfreeman** (Univ. Cardenal Herrera, Spain)
Time: 11-17 h.
Place: The Manchester Conference Centre & Pendulum Hotel, Sackville Street, Manchester M1 3BB
[http://www.international-brigades.org.uk/content/12-march-manchester](http://www.international-brigades.org.uk/content/12-march-manchester)

Thursday 17 March 2016
Cañada Blanch Seminar
*Anarchism and the Second Republic (1931-1936) – Enemy or Friend?*
Speaker: Dr. **Julián Vadillo** (UCM)
Chair: **Prof. Paul Preston**
Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Tuesday 22 March 2016
CREAte (Centre for Research in European Architecture) Open Lecture
*Preserved Gaudí*
Speaker: Dr. **Josef-Maria Garcia-Fuentes** (Newcastle University)
Time: 18 h.
Place: University of Kent, Marlowe Lecture Theatre 1, Canterbury, CT2 7NR
In collaboration with the Catalan Observatory
Thursday 24 March 2016
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group
Subject of the month: ‘Spain and Britain’s Informal Empire’
Speaker: Nick Sharman (University of Nottingham)
Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Tuesday 5 April 2016
Two’s Company Theatre
Performance of the play *The Fifth Column*, by Ernest Hemingway
Followed by a discussion with Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 19.30 h.
Place: Southwark Playhouse, 77-85 Newington Causeway, London SE1 6BD

Thursday 28 April 2016
Catalan Observatory Seminar
*The Forging of a New Anarchism: the Grupos Obreros Autónomos (the Autonomous Workers’ Groups) in the neighbourhood struggle in Barcelona, 1968-1975*
Speaker: Dr. Maggie Torres (Cañada Blanch Centre, LSE)
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Tuesday 3 May 2016
Forum on Geopolitics
*What’s going on in Catalonia?*
Speakers: Dr. Montserrat Guibernau (University of Cambridge), Prof. Antoni Castells (University of Barcelona), Miquel Puig (economist and author)
Co-chaired by: Isabel-Helena Martí (President of Sobirania i Justícia) and Prof. Brendan Simms (POLIS, University of Cambridge)
Time: 17 h.
Place: INTO City University London, 102 Middlesex Street, London E1 7EZ

Thursday 5 May 2016
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group
Subject of the month: *Rethinking nationalism and nation-building: reflections and approaches from/to the Spanish case*
Speaker: Raúl Moreno Almendral (Universidad de Salamanca)
Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11
Thursday 12 May 2016
Cañada Blanch Seminar

*No Clouds across the Holiday Sun? The Politics of Tourism between Western Europe and the Franco Dictatorship, 1945-1975*

Speaker: Dr. Patricia Hertel (University of Basel, Switzerland)
Chair: Prof. Sebastian Balfour

Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Tuesday 17 May 2016
Daunt Books

Presentation of *The Last Days of the Spanish Republic* by Paul Preston
In conversation with Prof. Ian Kershaw

Time: 19 h.
Place: Daunt Books, 83 Marylebone High Street, London W1U 4QW

Saturday 21 May 2016
Labour Heritage AGM & Conference

Lectures by Prof. Paul Preston on ‘The Spanish Holocaust’ and by Prof. Jane Martin (University of Birmingham) on ‘The life and work of Caroline Benn’

Time: 13.30 h.
Place: Unite the Union (7th Floor council chamber), 128 Theobalds Road, London WC1X 8TN

Thursday 26 May 2016
Cañada Blanch Seminar

*The Spanish Civil Wars: A Comparative Study of the First Carlist War and the Conflict of the 1930s*

Speaker: Dr. Mark Lawrence (University of Kent)
Chair: Prof. Paul Preston

Time: 18 h.
Place: LSE, Portugal Street, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11

Thursday 9 June 2016
Cañada Blanch Research Students’ Discussion Group

Subject of the month: ‘The Spanish Civil War: Trauma and its Lasting Legacy’

Speaker: Sebastian Browne (University of Kent)

Time: 16 h.
Place: LSE, Cowdray House, 1st floor, Seminar Room 1.11
**Tuesday 14 June 2016**
University of Barcelona

*Honorary degree award to Paul Preston*
Time: 12 h.
Place: Paraninfo, Edificio Històrico, Universitat de Barcelona, Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes 585, Barcelona

**Tuesday 14 June 2016**
El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria
*El paper del experts estrangers en l’estudi de la història d’Espanya*
Speaker: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 19 h.
Place: Sala Moragues, El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria, Comercial 5, Barcelona

**30 June - 1 July 2016**
Crossing Borders International Conference
*Crossing borders: The Spanish Civil War and transnational mobilisation*
Speakers include: Richard Baxell (Independent Scholar), Gina Herrmann (University of Oregon), Raanan Rein (Tel Aviv University), Rocio Velasco de Castro (Universidad de Extremadura), Sebastián Farré (Université de Genève), Jonathan Sherry (University of Pittsburgh/Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona), Ángel Alcalde (Lèibnitz Institut, Mainz), Àlvar Martínez Vidal (Universitat de València) and Xavier García Ferrandis (Universidad Católica de Valencia)
Time: See programme
Place: Birkbeck College, University of London, Malet St, London WC1E 7HX
Programme: [https://crossingbordersconference2016.wordpress.com/](https://crossingbordersconference2016.wordpress.com/)

**Thursday 30 June 2016**
Crossing Borders International Conference
*Transnational lives: Spain and Europe’s wars of social change*
Speaker: Prof. Helen Graham (Royal Holloway)
Introduced by: Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 17.30 h.
Place: Wolfson Room - Institute for Historical Research Senate House, London, WC1E

**Saturday 2 July 2016**
International Brigade Memorial Trust
*Annual Commemoration for the British volunteers who fought in the Spanish Civil War as part of the legendary International Brigades*
Speakers: Rodney Bickerstaffe (trade unionist), Almudena Cros (President of the Madrid-based AABI International Brigade memorial association) and Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 13 h.
Place: International Brigade Memorial, Jubilee Gardens, Belvedere Road, London SE1 8XX
**Tuesday 5 July 2016**
Ajuntament de Borriana
Annual visit of awarded students
Time: 15.30 h.
Place: LSE-Cañada Blanch Centre, Tower 2, 5th floor, Room 5.02

**11-12 July 2016**
University of London - School of Advanced Study Conference
*The Spanish Civil War and World Literatures*
Speakers: Prof. Andrew Hussey (School of Advanced Study, University of London), Dr. Martin Hurcombe (University of Bristol), Prof. Cary Nelson (University of Illinois, USA), Prof. Patricia Rae (Queen’s University, Ontario, Canada), Prof. James Whiston (Trinity College, Dublin) and Prof. Paul Preston
Time: see programme
Place: Woburn Suite, G22/26, Ground Floor, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU

**Monday 18 July 2016**
Waterstones Bookshop
*¡No Pasarán!: Remembering the Spanish Civil War*
Speakers: Pete Ayrton (author and anthologist) and Prof. Paul Preston
Time: 19 h.
Place: Waterstones, 203-206 Piccadilly, London W1J 9HD
[https://www.waterstones.com/events/no‐pasar‐n‐remembering‐the‐spanish‐civil‐war‐with‐pete‐ayrton‐and‐paul‐preston/london‐piccadilly](https://www.waterstones.com/events/no‐pasar‐n‐remembering‐the‐spanish‐civil‐war‐with‐pete‐ayrton‐and‐paul‐preston/london‐piccadilly)

**18-19 July 2016**
International Association for Media and Communication Research Pre-Conference
*Spain’s Civil War 80 Years Later: The Wound That Will Not Heal?*
Speakers include: Giles Tremlett (Cañada Blanch Fellow), Peter Anderson (University of Leeds), Layla Renshaw (Kingston University), Richard Baxell (International Brigades Memorial Trust), Tom Buchanan (University of Oxford), Javier Jurado González (Universidad Carlos III, Spain), Iván Gómez (Universitat Ramon Llull, Spain) and Ruth Sanz Sabido (Canterbury Christ Church University)
Time: See programme
Place: Canterbury Christ Church University, North Holmes Rd, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1QU
Programme: [http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/arts-and-humanities/media-art-and-design/docs/provisional-programme-spans-civil-war.docx](http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/arts-and-humanities/media-art-and-design/docs/provisional-programme-spans-civil-war.docx)