FAR FROM GODLINESS
POLLUTION IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

Thursday, November 7th (Silver Center, Rm 503)

6.30pm
General Welcome

6:45-8:00pm
Keynote Address 1: Andrej Petrovic (University of Virginia)
"Inner Purity, Conscience, and Cognition in Greek Religion"

8:00-9:15pm
Pizza Dinner & Reception

Friday, November 8th (Silver Center, Jurow Hall)

9:00am
Breakfast
Welcome and Introduction

10:15-11:30am
First Panel: "Personal Filth"
Respondent: Rebecca Sausville
Josh Blachorsky (NYU) "Bad Breath and Charisma: The Curious Case of Eliezer ben Hyracanus"
Dorothée Nichols (Université de Montréal) "Menarché and Pollution in Ancient Greece"
Bernadette Descharmes (Technische Universität Braunschweig) "Swimming in Dirty Water: Pollution and Bathing Culture in the Roman Empire"

11:45am
Coffee Break

12:00pm-1:30pm
Second Panel: "Managing Pollution"
Respondent: Del Maticic
Crystal Rosenthal (UT Austin) "Aedes Pestilens: Architectural Hygiene in the Late Republic"
Meira Wolkenfeld (Yeshiva University) "Pollution in the Place of Prayer"
Eleni Peppa (University of Athens) "Miasma and its Influence on Athenian Homicide Law"

1:30pm-2:30pm
Lunch

2:30-3:30pm
Third Panel: "Pollution in the Environment"
Respondent: Andrea Pozzana
Kyle Benjamin Brunner (ISAW) "Blessing Fields and Protecting Communities in Late Antique Tür Abdin: Examples from the Unedited Syriac Life of Abbâ Sallârâ"
Christina Triantafilou (University of Oxford) "Pollutant or Opportunity: Animal Manure in Rome"

3:30pm
Coffee Break

4:00-5:15pm
Keynote Address 2: Hunter Gardner (University of South Carolina)
"Spilling Over: Morality and Epidemiology in Ancient and Contemporary Contexts"

5:30pm
Closing Reception