



Mid-America Humanities Conference

Downward Spirals?

Thinking about “Crisis”
across the Disciplines

A forum for interdisciplinary student research

Saturday, April 3, 2010

Kansas Union, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Free and Open to the Public

While the experience of uncertainty is common in the modern world, the first decade of the twenty-first century has witnessed events that have contributed to a growing sense of crisis.

This one-day graduate and undergraduate conference examines different facets of our crisis-ridden world, and features presentations on the following topics:

- Barack Obama: Messiah or Antichrist?
- The Virginia Tech Crisis
- Frayed Borders: Illegal Aliens and Invasion Fictions
- McDonalds and the Obesity Epidemic
- Identity Crises: Holocaust Survivors and Palestinians in Israel
- Natural Catastrophes: Prairies in Peril and Mississippi Floods

Keynote address: “Creating Crises”

Dr Tom Lutz

University of California, Riverside

1:00 pm, Malott Room, Kansas Union

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