

Mathew Greenlee is a history graduate student at the University of Colorado Boulder. His main field of study is postwar West Germany, looking primarily at the relationship between memory and politics. Being a modern German historian, he is somewhat a fish out of water at a conference on early modern Spain, though his recent studies with Professor Celine Dauverd help alleviate that conundrum. Mathew looks forward to learning from this conference how conceptions of imperial Spain functioned when exposed to peoples at the periphery of Spanish power. Similarly, he hopes to consider questions around Spain's image of itself and how it was contextualized by Spanish beliefs of other European states and entities. He anticipates this exciting event and his opportunity to think through issues of empire, which tragically remain evergreen.