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Conference: “Fever: Histories of (a) Disease, c. 1750–1840”

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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 10 JULY 2025

10:00 **Coffee, Arrival & Welcome**

10:15 **Opening & Introduction**

10:30–13:00 **Panel I: Fevers and Difference**

1. Kevin Siena (Trent University)
Fevered Formations: How Fever contributed to Formulations of Race, Class and Heredity in the Eighteenth Century
2. Adam Warren (University of Washington)
Fevers, Epidemics, and Medical Geography in Early Nineteenth-Century Peru
3. Teresa Göttl (Heidelberg University)
Managing Fever(s): Slavery and Medical Practices in the Caribbean (1820–1848)

13:00–14:30 **Lunch Break** (Mahmoud’s)

14:30–17:00 **Panel II: Causation**

1. Margaret DeLacy (NYU New York)
John Clark, Contagion, and the Newcastle Fever Hospital debates
2. Ricardo Cabral Freitas (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)
A Torrid Court in the Tropics: Fevers and Tropical Climate in Rio de Janeiro, 1808-1821
3. Jenny Sure (Heidelberg University)
“Von Schrecken, Furcht und Sorge werden alle Natürliche Bewegungen stockigt”. The Passions as Cause, Sign and Remedy of Fever

17:00 **Walk to the Heidelberg Castle**

19:00 **Dinner** at Heidelberger Kulturbrauerei, Leyergasse 6

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9-11:30 **Panel III: Temporality**

1. Alexander Wragge-Morley (University of Lancaster)
Fever, Periodicity and Habit in 18th Century Europe
2. Philippa Carter (University of Cambridge)
The Death of a Diagnosis: Phrenitis, c. 1750–1840
3. Stefanie Gänger (Heidelberg University)
On Obstinate Fevers and Lingering Ailments, ca. 1750–1830

12:00 **Brunch Break (Macaronnerie: Sweet & Salty)**

12:15–14:45 **Panel IV: Society**

1. Christopher Hamlin (University of Notre Dame)
Afebrility as a Human Right in Dublin, 1800-1830
2. Eleanor Kerfoot (University of Oxford)
Fever and the Dead Body in England, 1750-1800
3. Yijie Huang (Heidelberg University)
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15:00–15:30 **Concluding remarks**