

# Southern Political Concepts

A Workshop, January 17, 2025  
Humanities Gateway 1010

## Schedule

**Arrival and Breakfast**  
9am

**Opening Discussion**  
9:15-10:45am  
Introductions and Discussion of Adi Ophir's "Concept"

**Coffee Break**  
10:45-11am

**Keynote**  
11am-12:30  
**Adi M. Ophir (Brown University)**  
"Democratization"

**Lunch**  
12:30-1:30pm

**Session I**  
1:30-3:30pm

**Conditions of Thought:**

Eryn Lê Espiritu Gandhi (UCLA), "Southern Constellations"  
Lupina Farhana (UCR), "Caesura"  
Sora Han (UCI), "Mu"  
Adriana Johnson (UCI), "Cognitive Plantation"

**Neoliberalism:**

Ashwin Bajaj (UCI), "Degrowth"  
Dohyung Kim (UCI), "Primitive Accumulation"  
Gayatri Mehra (UCI), "Care"  
Horacio Legras (UCI), "Good Life"

**Coffee Break**  
3:30-3:45pm

**Session II**  
3:45-5:45pm

**Desire and Communitas:**

Danah Alfailakawi (UCI), "Queerness"  
Randeep Singh Hothi (UCLA), "Lilā"  
Jovana Iseviski (UCR), "Drug/Drugarica"  
Marta Hernández Salván (UCR), "Civil Society"  
Gonzalo Díaz-Letelier (UCR), "Experimentality"

**Urgency, Race, Genocide:**

Roy Chamorro Pinel (UCR), "Brownness"  
David Lloyd (UCR), "Ashla'a"  
Liron Mor (UCI), "Genocide"  
Jacques Lezra (UCR), "Now"

**Closing Discussion**

5:45-6:30pm  
Collective Discussion of Future Plans



## UCI Critical Theory

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