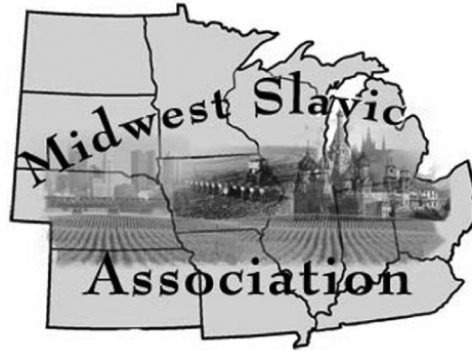


# 2020 Midwest Slavic Conference



The Ohio State University  
April 3-5, 2020

## Science (&) Fiction(s)

The Midwest Slavic Association and The Ohio State University (OSU) Center for Slavic and East European Studies (CSEES) are pleased to announce the **2020 Midwest Slavic Conference Science (&) Fiction(s)** to be held at OSU in Columbus, Ohio on **April 3-5, 2020**. The conference committee invites proposals for papers **on all topics** related to the Slavic, East European, and Eurasian world, particularly those that explore science and the history of science, science fiction in film, cartoons, art, music, and literary works, information science and disinformation. In a world where truth is often stranger than fiction—and harder to find—science fiction can be revelatory. As society grapples to answer questions about climate change, ecological justice, and environmental disasters, does the function and ethical responsibility of science fiction change? What is the relationship between science, fiction, and the arts? How do they illuminate, reinforce, and change each other?

The conference will open at 5:30PM with a keynote address by Dr. Anindita Banerjee (Cornell U.). Building on the keynote address, a plenary panel will follow on Saturday morning. Panels by conference participants will then be held on Saturday from 10:30AM-4:45PM and Sunday from 8:30AM-11:45AM.

**Please send a one-paragraph abstract and a brief C.V. in a single PDF format file to [csees@osu.edu](mailto:csees@osu.edu) by January 13th.** Undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to participate. Interdisciplinary work and pre-formed panels are encouraged. Proposals for individual papers will be accepted.

More information is available at the [Conference website](#).

### DEADLINES

Abstract and C.V. Deadline: **January 13**  
Notification of Acceptance: **February 7**  
Scheduling Conflicts Due: **February 11**  
Panels Announced: **February 21**  
Final Papers to Chair: **March 20**  
Presenter Registration Deadline: **March 20**

### PRESENTER FEES

**Students: \$35**  
**Faculty/Public: \$50**

### ATTENDEE FEES

**General Attendees: \$25**

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