

FORECLOSURE

CALL FOR PROPOSALS



Brunel University & University of Westminster
1st Joint Researching the Arts/Social Sciences Conference for
Research Students

Westminster University, June 17 & 18, 2013

foreclose—*foris claudere*—to exclude, to shut out

You are invited to submit a proposal for the two-day interdisciplinary conference *Foreclosure*, that aims to bring together law, art and politics. We understand foreclosure as the art of ordering and securing a common ground for the unfolding of a common experience; the exchange of affects and perspectives; and the performance of bodies and spaces. Art, Law and Politics habitually build walls around their concepts and practices. *Foreclosure* aims to encourage the exploration of practices and performances of law, art and politics through the prism of their shared operation; the investigation of the juncture between their disciplinary fences; and the unfolding of the fragility of their mechanisms. This is our aim: to dissect, dismantle and improve the operations of art, law and politics in order to locate cracks, produce apertures, and ride the lines of flight where new potentialities are generated.

This conference invites you to take up this task, to think, write, speak, draw and perform ways to disclose the foreclosures; to propose artistic, political and legal modes able to unleash the potentialities often imprisoned within their [individual] apparatuses.

This CALL is for PhD students only and invites *papers* or *performances* from all areas in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. Papers can be critical articles, fieldwork reports, creative readings or/and performance/presentation (including sound, film, installation, theatre, exhibition, etc) of no longer than 20 minutes in length. Please send a 200 word proposal including the title of your project along with a short biography to: foreclosuresconference@gmail.com by the 28th Feb, 2013.

There will be prizes awarded, one for the best *paper* and one for best *performance* at the conference.

We look forward to receiving your proposals!
With regards from the student committee:

Caterina Nirta, Danilo Mandic, Andrea Pavoni, Serena Volpi, Jessica Worden, Roswitha Gerlitz