

CALL FOR PAPERS

Special issue of *French Historical Studies* on European-Indigenous relations in the French Americas

The editors of *French Historical Studies* seek articles for a special issue on European-Indigenous relations in the French Americas to appear in 2028. Topics may range chronologically from the sixteenth century to the present; they may focus on historical regions in the Americas where French-Indigenous encounters routinely occurred, including Acadia, Brazil, the Caribbean, Florida, French Guiana, the St. Lawrence Valley, the Great Lakes region, and Upper and Lower Louisiana; they may also focus on the historical experiences of French-Indigenous relations in the Americas beyond zones of French imperial influence, including the British, Dutch, Portuguese, Spanish empires, as well as elsewhere throughout the Atlantic World, Europe and beyond.

Ideally, the articles selected for this special issue will suggest the richness of scholarship on these topics in French and francophone contexts, reflect current concerns and approaches, and indicate productive future directions. We are particularly interested in papers that address the following themes, though authors are by no means limited to these:

- Métissage, cultural hybridity, and mixed-descent peoples
- Rhetoric, diplomacy, and mediation
- Indigenous power, governance, and sovereignty
- Circulation, mobilities, and transatlantic connections
- French-Indigenous relations in environmental context
- The symbolic, cultural, political, and economic dimensions of French-Indigenous commercial exchange
- French-Indigenous relations after the end of the French empire in North America
- Indigeneity in France's DOM-TOMs and across the francophone world in the 20th and 21st centuries
- Indigenous peoples in French historical memory and popular culture (museums, bande dessinée, literature, film, television, radio, theater, popular music, visual and plastic arts, fashion, official commemorations)

Scholars with questions about whether their research would fit into the special issue are encouraged to contact the guest editors, Paul Cohen (p.cohen@utoronto.ca) and Scott Berthelette (sab25@queensu.ca).

Please submit article manuscripts (in English or in French) by August 31, 2026 through the Scholar One portal, as detailed on the journal's guidelines for submission here: <https://read.dukeupress.edu/french-historical-studies/pages/Submission-Guidelines>. Please follow The Chicago Manual of Style, seventeenth edition, and the journal's style guide. Manuscripts should not exceed 10,000 words in length (excluding footnotes). Be sure to indicate that your manuscript is to be considered for the special issue.