The Centre for the Critical Study of Apocalyptic and Millenarian Movements (CenSAMM) is pleased to announce its 2020 conference, to be held at the University of Bedfordshire UK (Bedford Campus) 29-30 June 2020. The theme of the conference is The Study of Apocalyptic and Millenarian Movements: Critical and Interdisciplinary Approaches.

The aim of the conference is to facilitate critical and interdisciplinary discussion of apocalypticism, millenarianism and associated movements across time, place, and culture. Academic fields include anthropology, archaeology, biblical studies, critical theory, cultural studies, history, literary studies, political studies, psychology, religious studies, sociology, etc. The interdisciplinary scope is broadly understood to include methodologies, comparative approaches, and showcasing of research more specific to individual fields of expertise.

Speakers include: Catherine Wessinger (Loyola University, New Orleans) Douglas Davies (Durham University, UK) Linda Woodhead (Lancaster University, UK)

We invite individual paper proposals from scholars at all stages of their career, including postgraduates, and we welcome suggestions for group panels.

Please submit proposals to the Academic Directors Prof James Crossley (St Mary’s University, Twickenham) and Dr Alastair Lockhart (University of Cambridge) at conference@censamm.org. Submissions for papers should include a 300-word abstract and short CV.

Deadline for proposals: 31 March 2020. See www.censamm.org for more information
Registration

Registration is open from Monday 9 December 2019. The registration fees (including light refreshments and lunch) are:

- Standard registration: £60 for two days, or £30 per day
- Postgraduate/unwaged registration: £30 for two days, or £15 per day

A conference dinner will take place on the evening of Monday 29 June, this should be booked at the same time as booking your conference attendance. (£20 standard or £10 postgraduate/unwaged.)

A limited number of travel bursaries will be available for outstanding postgraduates and early career researchers. Please email conference@censamm.org for information.

There will be an opportunity to visit the Panacea Museum and its grounds.

Please check the CenSAMM website for further updates: www.censamm.org

Accommodation

Accommodation will not be provided. The main conference venue is the Gateway Building at the University of Bedfordshire, Bedford campus MK41 9EA. The timetable will include a plenary session at the Panacea Museum MK40 3NX. There are a number of hotels/guesthouses in Bedford within approximately 2 miles of the main conference venue. These include:

Barns Hotel, Cardington Rd, Bedford MK44 3SA www.barnshotelbedford.co.uk
d’Parys, 45 De Parys Ave, Bedford MK40 2UA www.dparys.co.uk
Mecure Bedford Centre Hotel, 2 St Mary's St, Bedford MK42 0AR www.parkinn.co.uk
Premier Inn Bedford Priory Marina, Barker's Lane, Bedford MK41 9DJ www.premierinn.com
Premier Inn Riverside Bedford Town Centre, River St, Bedford MK40 1NY www.premierinn.com
The Embankment, 6 The Embankment, Bedford MK40 3PD www.embankmentbedford.co.uk
The Swan Hotel, The Embankment, Bedford MK40 1RW www.bedfordswanhotel.co.uk
Travelodge Bedford Goldington Road, 403 Goldington Rd, Bedford MK41 0DS www.travelodge.co.uk
Travelodge Bedford, Bedford Heights, Brickhill Dr, Bedford MK41 7PH www.travelodge.co.uk
Verve Hotel, 27 Shakespeare Rd, Bedford MK40 2DX www.vervebedford.co.uk