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Dr. Michelle R. Moyd

The Contemporary History Institute welcomes [Dr. Michelle R. Moyd](#) discussing “Moving Men: Labor Mobilizations To and From Africa During World War I” on March 5 in Bentley 124 at 4:30 p.m.

The talk is free and open to the public.

Moyd is an Associate Professor in the Department of History; Faculty Affiliate in African Studies Program; Adjunct Faculty in the Department of Germanic Studies; and Faculty Affiliate with the Department of International Studies at Indiana University at Bloomington.

Moyd has been the Associate Editor of *American Historical Review* since 2018.

She is a historian of eastern Africa, with special interests in the region’s history of soldiering and warfare. Her first monograph, [*Violent Intermediaries: African Soldiers, Conquest, and Everyday Colonialism in German East Africa*](#) (Ohio University Press, 2014) explores the social and cultural history of African soldiers in the colonial army of German East Africa, today’s Tanzania. Currently, she is at work on a book titled “Africa, Africans, and the First World War,” which examines the spectrum of African experiences in the war, especially as soldiers and workers. Another research project, “Soldiering On: Race, Labor, and Armies of Empire in the United States and Africa, 1850-1918,” examines colonial militaries and labor patterns across different imperial experiences. She is particularly interested in bringing the experience of 19th-century African-American soldiers into a broader analysis of soldiers of empire.