

The Society of Early Americanists will host two sponsored sessions at the May 25-28, 2024 American Literature Association in Chicago. Please send a 100-200 word paper proposal by **January 22, 2023** for consideration. Graduate students and early career faculty are encouraged to submit.

### **Teaching Colonial and Early US Latinx Literatures**

In recent years early Americanists have seen exciting new literary scholarship on pre-1830 US Latinx literature that recovered previously neglected texts and communities, imagined alternate futures, and re-envisioned nationalist and monolingual approaches to colonial and early US literary studies. How are instructors approaching the category of U.S. Latino literature in the early American classroom? What theoretical approaches and/or experiential pedagogies best enable students to grapple with the complexities of “latinidad” in the earliest period of American literary study? Submit proposals of 100-200 words to [madamscampbell@niu.edu](mailto:madamscampbell@niu.edu) by January 22, 2024.

### **Early American Environments**

How do early American settlers and/or Indigenous peoples describe their own or others’ environmental impact in writing produced before 1830? What connections or tensions do they observe in settler colonial projects and the environment? Papers that consider the Great Lakes and Midwest, especially the sites of future Chicagoland and its surrounding prairies are especially welcome. Please send a 100-200 word paper proposal to [madamscampbell@niu.edu](mailto:madamscampbell@niu.edu) by January 22, 2023 for consideration.