

Canadian Food Studies Call for Commentaries

Confronting Anti-Black, Anti-Indigenous, and Anti-Asian Racisms in Food Systems in Canada

Systemic anti-Black, anti-Indigenous, and anti-Asian racism pervades food systems in Canada, resulting in structural inequities across the food chain. In recognition of this reality, and as part of the Canadian Association for Food Studies' commitment to the work of social and environmental justice, described in part in our statement on racialized police violence and systemic racism outlined [here](#), we call for contributions for a themed issue, **Confronting Anti-Black, Anti-Indigenous, and Anti-Asian Racisms in Food Systems in Canada**.

While all [submission types](#) related to systemic racism in food systems are encouraged as part of this call, we specifically seek **commentaries** – brief (up to 1,500 words) expositions that articulate an informed viewpoint or opinion. Commentaries are not peer reviewed, however they will be reviewed by the *Canadian Food Studies* Editorial Collective and the themed issue Co-Editors, Leticia Ama Deawuo and Tabitha Robin.

Submissions can be grounded in various research-related activities, broadly defined, from conventional academic research to community-based and community-conducted research, and experiential and situated observations. As we reckon with the ways White supremacy, capitalism, patriarchy and colonization has shaped food systems, we must also reflect on and redress dominant modes of thought and approaches that reproduce inequity within the academy (e.g., research and teaching) and society at large. As such, we welcome submissions that centre diverse ways of knowing and methods of knowledge production. We seek contributions from a diversity of authors, including but not limited to, activist-scholars and scholar-activists, public intellectuals, students, non-profit sector workers, and frontline food system workers.

Broad analytics could include, but are not limited to:

- White supremacy
- Settler Colonialism
- Neoliberalism
- Capitalism
- Climate change
- Food Justice
- Food Sovereignty
- Patriarchy
- COVID-19

More specific empirical foci could include, but are not limited to:

- Food workers (across the food chain)
- Migrant workers
- Treaties and food access

- Rural and Northern food access
- Food policy
- Food geographies
- Food (in)accessibility
- Food cultures and practices
- Community initiatives
- Local food governance
- Health and critical dietetics
- School food systems
- Institutional food
- Food pedagogies
- etc...

The extended deadline for submissions to the themed issue is **November 1st, 2021**. Submission guidelines can be found [here](#). All contributions should be submitted through the *Canadian Food Studies* submission [portal](#). Please direct any questions about this call to michael.classens@utoronto.ca