

## When Projects End: The Afterlives of HIV **Prevention in Peru**



**Justin Perez** September 14, 2021 6 p.m. via Zoom

Following an extended internal armed conflict from 1980–2000, Peru received significant support from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria to respond to an epidemic of HIV/AIDS concentrated among urban gay men, transgender women, and men who have sex with men (MSM). Originally set to run from 2011–2016, the abrupt and unexpected discontinuation of the Global Fund's Tenth Round project in Peru in 2015 called into question the sustainability of that country's HIV/AIDS response. Drawing on ethnographic fieldwork conducted among communities in Peru's Amazonian region, this talk explores the afterlives of HIV prevention programs to reassess theories of anti-politics and failure as they pertain to global public health and human rights.

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HIV and AIDS in the Lehigh Valley: 40 years of Advocacy and Activism

September 17 - December 17, 2021 Display, Rare Books Room, Trexler Library

**Muhlenberg Student Panel Featuring** Student Research on HIV and AIDS

Victoria Retterholt, Sarah Vetesi, Jacob Frank October 1 at 2pm, via Zoom

"Don't We Die Too?": Race and Sexuality in the Early AIDS Crisis

Dan Royles, Historian

October 21, 2021, in person, Miller Forum Co-sponsored by the Center for Ethics and the Shankweiler Scholars

**Ending COVID-19 Everywhere? Lessons** from South African AIDS Activism

Mandisa Mbali, Historian October 29, 2021, 2 p.m, via Zoom

**Community Panel** 

November, date TBA







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