



INSTITUTE FOR MESOAMERICAN STUDIES
SPEAKER SERIES:



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**“Because They’re Lower to the Ground:
Mexican Migrants and The Naturalization
of Social Suffering”**

Seth M. Holmes is an anthropologist and physician whose work focuses broadly on the role that perceptions of difference play in the production and reproduction of social hierarchies and health disparities. Dr. Holmes is finishing a book exploring social and suffering hierarchies in U.S.-Mexico migration as well as the ways in which these asymmetries come to be seen as deserved, normal, and natural. The book draws on approximately eighteen months of participant-observation, migrating with undocumented indigenous Mexicans in the United States and Mexico.

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