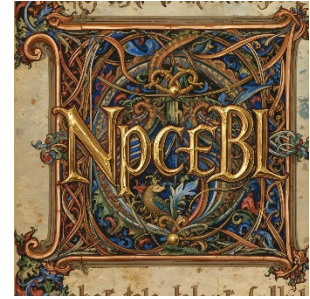


33rd Northern Plains Conference on Early British Literature
Minot State University
Minot, ND
April 9 - 11, 2026



Once again gathering to offer a convivial and stimulating atmosphere for teachers and scholars of Early British Literature.

The conference invites abstracts for 20-minute conference presentations on all aspects of Early British Literature from its beginnings through the 18th Century, including teaching, interpretation, and scholarship. Presentations may be on any topic related to early British literature, including modern reception, medievalism, pedagogy, and the like. NPCEBL considers early British literature to be inclusive of literatures not in English, those in colonized locations, those created by ex-patriots, and those related to Britain. “Early” includes the origins through the long 18th century, welcoming all Humanities disciplines to our table, not just languages and literature. Proposals for complete sessions as well as individual or group presentations are welcome. **Deadline for submissions is March 22, 2026.** We plan to offer a few hybrid opportunities, so please indicate if you are interested in virtual presenting.

Please send your submissions to Dr. Amanda Watts at MSU: amanda.watts@minotstateu.edu

The conference includes an evening of medieval musical works, arrangements based on the research of MSU’s Dr. Jon Rumney, and two days of scholarly research presentations. The crowning event on April 10th, a keynote scholar dinner, featuring historian Heather R. Darsie, author of *Anna, Duchess of Cleves*, *"The King's Beloved Sister"* and *Katharine of Aragon, Spanish Princess: "I am Not as Simple as I May Seem"* with tickets open to the public.

Minot State University has hosted the NPCEBL twice before in its 33 years – in 2003 and 2017 – which has brought scholars from across the region and highlighted MSU’s dedication to scholarship in the various academic fields. We are pleased to host our fellow scholars again!

- April 9th: Evening of early music at the Northwest Arts Center on MSU campus. Drinks and hors d’oeuvres as we enjoy colleagues and the gallery.
- April 10th: Conference day with Keynote Speaker Dinner in the evening.
- April 11th: Conference continues through the morning, followed by the business lunch.

Hotel: A block of rooms at the Hampton Inn Minot Airport has been set aside at \$110/night. Link [here to book](#).

Registration is open for the event, linked below. The dinner tickets are offered both as an add-on in your registration for the conference as well as for individual purchase if you would like to bring guests who only want to attend the keynote dinner.

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