



# 2015–16 NOON LECTURES

## Getting the Blood Out of Your Cell Phone Silicon Valley's Efforts to Avoid "Conflict Minerals" From the DR Congo

With James Smith,  
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Wednesday, January 20, 2016

12:10 - 1:00 p.m. Lecture

Memorial Union, MU II

Brown bag lunches welcome

Lecture begins promptly at 12:10pm



**James Smith** is an Associate Professor and Interim Chair in the Department of Anthropology (Sociocultural Wing). His books include *Bewitching Development: Witchcraft and the Reinvention of Development in Neoliberal Kenya* (University of Chicago Press) and *Email from Ngeti: An Ethnography of Sorcery, Redemption and Friendship in Global Africa* (with Ngeti Mwadime, University of California Press). Smith is currently PI on an NSF-funded research project concerning the regulation of "conflict minerals" in the Eastern DR Congo. He is working on a book on the digital minerals trade in the DR Congo, and has published related articles in the *American Ethnologist* and *HAU: the Journal of Ethnographic Theory*.