



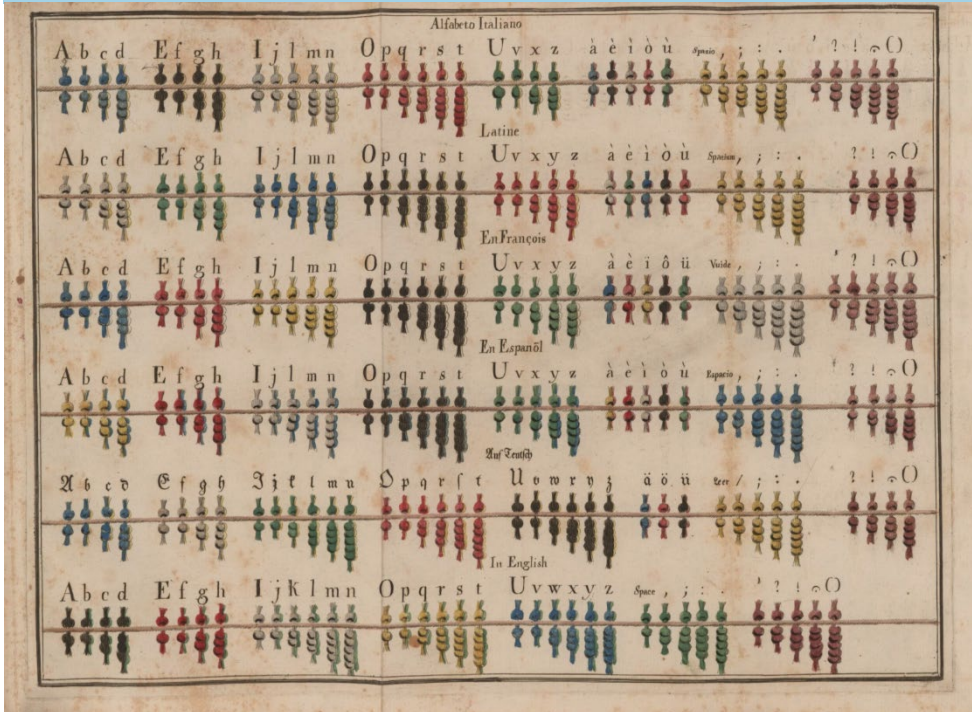
# Western Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies

## The Unwritten Word: Alternative Texts, Epistemologies & Ontologies

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Featuring keynote speaker  
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McMaster University



This HyFlex conference invites in-person and remote attendance and takes place Friday and Saturday of the Presidents' Day weekend. We welcome proposals from all disciplines for individual papers and full panels. Here are potential topics on the conference theme, "The Unwritten Word":

**moving beyond text-based evidence; honoring other ways of knowing: tattoos, oral stories, music, genealogical knots, and pictograms; talking sticks, talking drums, talking books; arts & crafts; images, charts & graphs; the body as an alternative text: fashion, style, gestures; women's alternative contributions; indigeneity; the other in the 18th century**

We also welcome papers and panels not directly related to the conference theme. Please indicate your modality preference when applying and send an abstract (approximately 250 words) by December 1, 2024 to [WSECS2025@gmail.com](mailto:WSECS2025@gmail.com)



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