

The Department of History Colloquium Series  
presents the

## 4th Annual Driedger Lecture

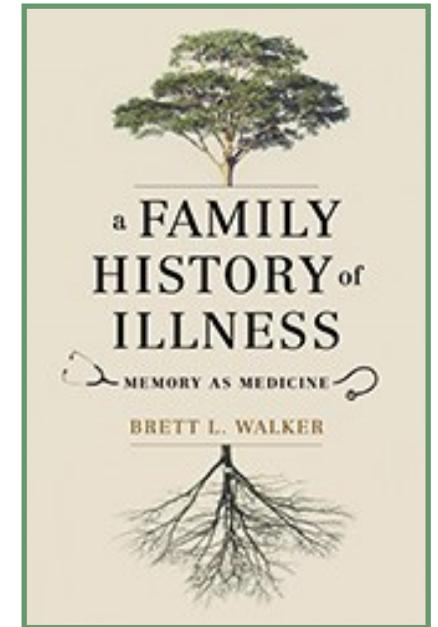
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## *A Family History of Illness: Memory as Medicine*

This lecture is based on *A Family History of Illness*, a gritty historical memoir that examines the body's immune system and microbial composition as well as the biological and cultural origins of memory and history, offering a startling, fresh way to view the role of history in understanding our physical selves. In his own search, Walker soon realizes that this broader scope is more valuable than a strictly medical family history. He finds that family legacies shape us both physically and symbolically, forming the root of our identity and values, and he urges us to renew our interest in the past or risk misunderstanding ourselves and the world around us.



*A Family History of Illness* will be available for purchase at the lecture and U of L Bookstore.

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**Date: Friday, October 19, 2018**  
**Location: PE-250 (Sports & Wellness Centre)**

**Time: 3:30 p.m.**

**Reception to follow.**

**Everyone is welcome.**