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Remembering Fern Badzin

Staff, faculty and students affiliated with the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at the University of Minnesota grieve the passing of Fern Badzin.

Fern and her late husband Bernard established the Badzin Fellowship in Holocaust and Genocide Studies, which has supported for the last decade graduate students in the College of Liberal Arts committed to research in the field. Bernard and Fern also created the Badzin Lecture Series fund, helping to bring renowned experts to campus. More recently Fern generously supported the Genocide Education Outreach (GEO) Program, which sends young scholars into the community to teach about the Holocaust, other genocides, and related issues directly affecting students and communities at large.

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Support the Center

Did you know that a sustaining donation of \$10 a month helps send a graduate student to a local classroom?

[Learn more about the ways you can support the mission of CHGS.](#)

From the Blog

From the Land of Deniers: Social Media and the Spread of False Narratives in Myanmar



Growing up in Myanmar, the back of every newspaper had a section with big, bold letters that read, "BBC is lying, VOA is lying, RFA is lying; Sky full of lies"

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[Fellows Reflect on Fern's Impact](#)

"I feel very honored to have received this prestigious award. The fellowship provided me with the privileged position to work steadily and focused on my research over the course of an entire academic year and thus allowed me to substantially develop my dissertation project. This has been a unique experience, for which I am most grateful. The fellowship support has also helped me to finance my research and conference agenda while living abroad, namely my travels to the German Literature Archive in Marbach, as well as my travels to Jerusalem where I participated in an international workshop on German-Jewish studies."

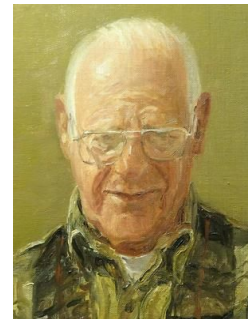
-- Moritz Meutzer, 2017 Badzin Fellow

"...thank you so much for this award and for making these next steps of my research possible. You have done so much for not only myself, but for the community of genocide scholars at the University of Minnesota. I believe that the work coming from this university has the potential to enrich the scholarly understanding of violence and to create a safer world. Thank you for all that you do to make this possible, and I am so grateful that you have enabled me to be a part of this pursuit."

-- Brooke Chambers, 2018 Badzin Fellow

CHGS Mourns the Passing of Herb Fantle

CHGS was saddened to learn of the passing of Herbert Fantle last month at the age of 89. Born in Vienna in 1929, Herb and his family fled Austria through Scotland and arrived in the United States in 1939. Herb was a generous supporter of the Center for Austrian Studies and the Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies, as well as a frequent guest at many CHGS events. He will be missed.



[Learn more about Herb's life from our past *Bearing Witness Event*.](#)

Upcoming Center Events

Thursday, November 8, 4:00 PM
Wilson Research Collaboration Studio

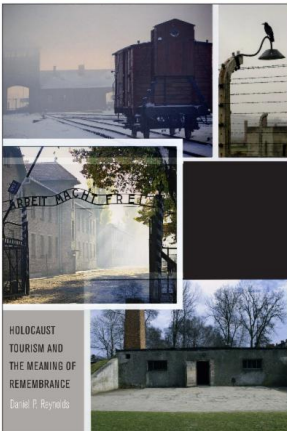
Dan Reynolds, Seth Richards
Professor in Modern Languages at Grinnell College

"Postcards from Auschwitz: Tourism & Holocaust Remembrance"

2018 Kristallnacht Anniversary Commemoration Lecture

In his book, *Postcards from Auschwitz* (NYU Press, 2018), Dan Reynolds explores the relationship between tourism and Holocaust

Kristallnacht Anniversary Commemoration



POSTCARDS FROM AUSCHWITZ

HOLOCAUST TOURISM AND THE MEANING OF REMEMBRANCE

**Thursday, November 8
4:00 p.m.**

Wilson Research
Collaboration Studio
(Wilson Library 180)



book talk with author
Daniel P. Reynolds
Seth Richards Professor
in Modern Languages
at Grinnell College
book signing and reception to
follow lecture

Presented by the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Center for Jewish Studies, Center for German and European Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Department of History, Department of English, Department of German, Nordic, Slavic, and Dutch, and made possible by the Wexler Special Events Fund for Holocaust & Genocide Studies. CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST & GENOCIDE STUDIES COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

remembrance, a topic he has been researching for the past 10 years. In it he looks at the ways museums and memorials to the Shoah have evolved over the past 70 years in Poland, Germany, Israel, and the United States, and how modern tourism brings its own challenges, but also opportunities, to Holocaust remembrance. His other research interests include German literature and culture from the late 19th century to the present, with special emphasis on the Weimar Republic, East Germany, the history and culture of Berlin, and German colonialism and the genocide of the Nama and Herero people in today's Namibia, a former German colony.

Presented with the Center for German and European Studies, Center for Jewish Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Department of English, Department of History, and Department of German, Nordic, Slavic, and Dutch; made possible with support from the Wexler Special Events Fund for Holocaust & Genocide Studies.

Friday, November 16, 2:00 - 5:30 PM

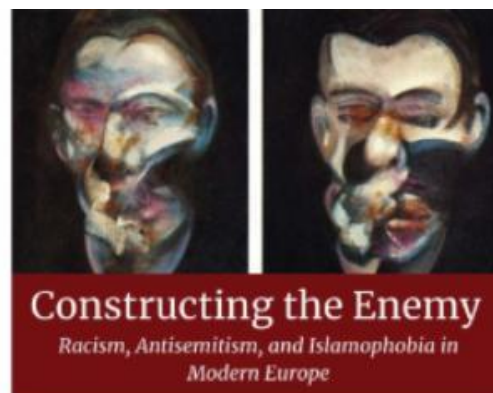
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Organized by *Selim Rauer*,
Department of French & Italian and
CHGS Interdisciplinary Doctoral
Fellow

**"Construction of the Enemy:
Racism, Anti-Semitism and
Islamophobia in France and
Germany in the 20th and 21st
Century"**

This conference has been made possible by the very generous help of: The Department of French & Italian, The Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, The Center for German & European Studies, The German,

Scandinavian and Dutch Department, The Department of History, The Department of Political Science, The Human Rights Program, The Consortium for the Study of the Premodern World, The Institute for Advanced Studies, The Center for Jewish Studies, The Institute for Global Studies, The Department of Philosophy (Emory University – Atlanta), and The Alliance Française of Minneapolis/St Paul



Human Rights and Social Justice Through Artistic and Community Collaboration: Current Immigrant Issues

Program and exhibit opening hosted by Voice to Vision

November 2, 5:00-9:00 PM
SEIU Local 26
826 18th Ave NE, Minneapolis

Student Opportunities

Study Abroad Opportunity: Jews & Poles - Entangled Lives

May 13 - June 2, 2019

Students will have the opportunity to visit several sites throughout Poland connected with Jewish and Holocaust history, including Auschwitz, Krakow and Warsaw.



Applicants must have sophomore, junior or senior status at the time of the program.

[Learn more here.](#)

2019 International Association of Genocide Scholars Conference "The Missing Picture": Rethinking Genocide Studies and Prevention

July 14-18, 2019
Phnom Penh, Cambodia

See a complete list of student opportunities

The Genocide Education Outreach Project

The Center's GEO program, [Genocide Education Outreach](#), is taking CHGS' knowledge and expertise to classrooms across the state.

CHGS Annual Report

The [2016-2017 CHGS Annual Report](#) features 20th anniversary programming and a review of the year's public lectures, partnerships, research, and opportunities for graduate students and educators. The 2017-2018 Annual Report will be coming soon!

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