



THE 49<sup>TH</sup>  
**ANNUAL SCHOLARS'  
CONFERENCE**

ON THE HOLOCAUST AND THE CHURCHES

THE ACKERMAN CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES at THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

**“Conflicting Realities of the Holocaust”**

**March 2 – 4, 2019**

**The University of Texas at Dallas  
The Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center**

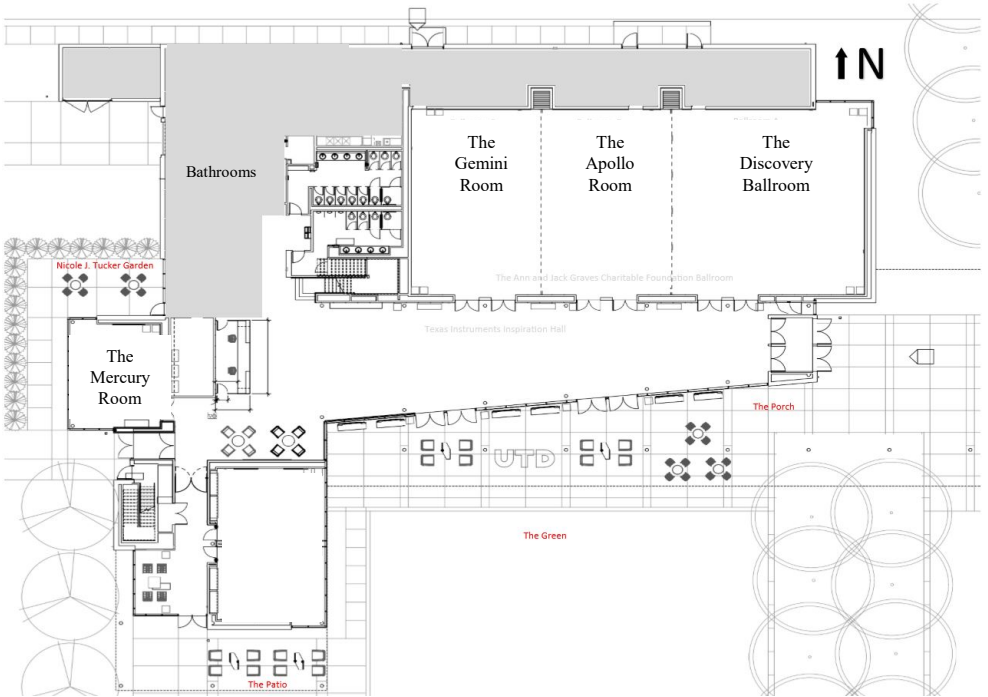
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at The University of Texas at Dallas





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## The Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center



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## **About the Ackerman Center**

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The Ackerman Center is a distinguished and unique academic center, providing an in-depth view of the Holocaust within a dedicated facility. Our three endowed professors and one research assistant professor offer a unique multi-faceted learning environment for our students.

- Dr. Nils Roemer, Director of the Ackerman Center and Stan and Barbara Rabin Professor of Holocaust Studies
- Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth, Founder of the Holocaust Studies Program and Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies
- Dr. David Patterson, Hillel A. Feinberg Chair in Holocaust Studies
- Dr. Debra Pfister, Research Assistant Professor in Holocaust Studies

### Highlights of the Ackerman Center

- Graduate and undergraduate courses
- Fellowships and scholarships
- Graduate Certificate in Holocaust Studies
- Arnold A. Jaffe Library Collection
- Annual Burton C. Einspruch Holocaust Lecture Series
- Annual Spring Lecture Series
- Public lectures, film screenings, teachers' workshops, and other events

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## **About The University of Texas at Dallas**

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Founded in 1969, The University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas) began as a modest collection of research stations in a North Texas cotton field. Today, UT Dallas' footprint is vastly different, serving the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and the State of Texas as a global leader in innovative, high quality research and education. Its mission is to 1) produce engaged graduates who are well-prepared for life, work, and leadership; 2) advance excellent educational and research programs in the natural and social sciences, engineering and technology, business, and arts and humanities; and 3) transform ideas into actions that benefit the economic, social, and cultural lives of the people of Texas.

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## About the Conference

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Founded in 1970 by Franklin H. Littell and Hubert G. Locke, the Annual Scholars' Conference addresses the historical significance of the Holocaust through scholarship that is interfaith, international, and interdisciplinary. The ASC provides an invaluable forum for scholars to discuss and advance Holocaust research, ensuring the valuable lessons of the Holocaust remain relevant for today's world.

The Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies at The University of Texas at Dallas is proud to be the permanent home of The Annual Scholars' Conference.

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## Topic Tracks

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This year's Annual Scholars' Conference will feature three tracks:

History and Thought  
Representation and Memory  
Aftermath and the Future

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## From the Conference Chair

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### **Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth**

Conference Chair, 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholars' Conference  
Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies  
The University of Texas at Dallas

I would like to welcome you on the occasion of the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholars' Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches. I hope that you will have a great experience of learning more about this essential topic from the exceptional students and world-renowned scholars who are participating. I also would like to express my gratitude to the friends and supporters of the Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies at The University of Texas at Dallas and to the founders of this conference.

# Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth

## Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies

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### 2019 Conference Chair

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Dr. Ozsváth, known to those who love her as “Zsuzsi,” is a world-renowned scholar of the Holocaust. She has published numerous articles and books, including her own memoir, *When the Danube Ran Red*, about her experiences as a child in Hungary during the Holocaust. She has also worked on several major translation projects and published (with Fred Turner) *Light within the Shade: Hungarian Poetry of the Past 800 Years*, which was included in the prestigious Annual Outstanding Academic Title list in the January 2016 issue of *Choice Magazine*. Later this year, she and Prof. Turner have yet another work of translation being published, *The Golden Goblet: Selected Poems by Johann Wolfgang von Goethe*.



Currently, Dr. Ozsváth serves on the board of the Educational Committee of the Jewish Federation, on the board the David Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies, and she is a lifetime director of The Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education & Tolerance.

Dr. Ozsváth has recently written a follow-up to her memoir, *My Journey Home: Life after the Holocaust*, which is being published later this year.

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“The Holocaust Studies Program, with its combination of scholarly research, education at both the undergraduate and graduate levels and its distinguished lecture series, is one of the distinguishing hallmarks of UT Dallas. The program’s success is a result of Dr. Ozsváth’s passionate dedication and charismatic leadership.”

- Dr. Hobson Wildenthal  
Executive Vice-President of UT Dallas



**Rev. Hubert G. Locke**  
**Co-Founder of the Annual Scholars' Conference**  
**In Memoriam**

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*This year's conference is dedicated to the life and legacy of  
Rev. Hubert G. Locke, co-founder of the  
Annual Scholars' Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches.*

I met Hubert G. Locke in 1989 at the 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Annual Scholars' Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches. At that conference I was in awe of all the renowned scholars who were in attendance, men and women whose books I had read and whose learning had inspired me. But with Professor Locke there was something different, and not just the fact that he was an African American pastor and scholar devoted to the study of the Holocaust. Nor was it just the fact that he, along with Professor Franklin G. Littell, was a founder of the ASC and one of the creators of the field of Holocaust studies. What struck me about Professor Locke was his sheer *presence*—the look of genuine loving kindness in his eyes, the genuine joy in his smile, and the welcoming warmth of his handshake. Of course, I was taken by his eloquence, his insight, and his impassioned testimony. I don't think I have ever known a person more profoundly humble or more humbly wise. But, like so many, I am most grateful for Hubert's devoted friendship. Like so many, I truly miss him. *Zichrono livrachá*—may his memory be a blessing.

- Dr. David Patterson  
Hillel Feinberg Chair in Holocaust Studies  
The University of Texas at Dallas

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## Executive Conference Committee

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**Dr. Michael Berenbaum**

Director of Sigi Ziering Institute Professor of Jewish Studies  
American Jewish University

**Rev. Dr. Henry F. Knight**

Past President of the Executive Committee  
Professor of Holocaust and Genocide Studies  
Director of the Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies  
Keene State College

**Prof. Richard Libowitz**

Associate Professor  
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**Dr. Marcia Sachs Littell**

Past President of the Annual Scholars' Conference  
Professor Emeritus, Holocaust and Genocide Studies  
Stockton University

**Rev. Dr. Hubert G. Locke \*\***

Co-Founder of the Annual Scholars' Conference  
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**Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth**

Chairman of the 2019 Annual Scholars' Conference  
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The University of Texas at Dallas

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## Past Venues

Prior to finding a permanent home at The University of Texas at Dallas, the Annual Scholars' Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches had moved to different geographic locations with local institutional sponsorship. Below is a list of the past venues that have sponsored the Annual Scholars' Conference.

1970		Wayne State University (Detroit, MI)
1971		National Conference of Christians and Jews (NCCJ) (New York City)
1972		NCCJ (San Jose, CA)
1973-80		NCCJ (New York City)
1981-84		University of Washington (Seattle, WA)
1985		Anne Frank Institute/Temple University (Philadelphia, PA)
1986		Chicago Theological Seminary (Evanston, IL)
1987-88		U. S. Holocaust Memorial Council (Washington, DC)
1989		Anne Frank Institute (Philadelphia, PA)
1990		Vanderbilt University (Nashville, TN)
1991		Stockton University (Galloway, NJ)
1992		The University of Washington (Seattle, WA)
1993		The University of Tulsa (Tulsa, OK)
1994		Rider University (Lawrenceville, NJ) Humboldt University (Berlin, Germany)
1995		Brigham Young University (Provo, UT)
1996		University of St. Thomas (St. Paul, MN)
1997		University of South Florida (Tampa, FL)
1998		University of Washington (Seattle, WA)
1999		Nassau Community College (New York , NY)
2000-01		Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
2002		Kean University (Union, NJ)
2003		Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
2004		Eckhart College (St. Petersburg, FL)
2005		Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
2006-07		Case Western Reserve University (Cincinnati, OH)
2008		Keene State College (Keene, NH)
2009		Stockton University (Galloway, NJ)
2010		Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA)
2011-12		Monroe College (Rochester, NY)
2013-14		American Jewish University (Los Angeles, CA)
2015-17		Temple University (Philadelphia, PA)
2018 - present		The University of Texas at Dallas (Dallas, TX)

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## Agenda at a Glance

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### Saturday, March 2, 2019

*Check-in and registration will be open from 6:30pm – 7:30pm*

7:30pm – 9:00pm | Opening Dinner for Presenters and Invited Guests

### Sunday, March 3, 2019

*Check-in and registration will open at 8am and be available throughout the Conference*

8:00am – 9:00am | Coffee and Light Breakfast

9:00am – 10:30am | Welcome Remarks  
Dr. Mark Roseman, Indiana University Bloomington

10:45am – 12:15pm | Session #1  
“The Holocaust in Hungary”  
“Literary Responses to the Holocaust”  
“Holocaust through the Lens of Public Administration:  
The American Experience”

12:30pm – 2:00pm | Lunch with Speaker, Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth

2:15pm – 3:15pm | Session #2  
“Close Examinations of the Holocaust”  
“Holocaust Tangibles”  
“Memory and Technology”

3:30pm – 4:30pm | Session #3  
“Actions and Inactions of the Allies”  
“Depicting Atrocity”  
“Accountability and Reconciliation”

4:45pm – 6:00pm | “Elie Wiesel: Teacher, Mentor, and Friend”

6:15pm – 7:15pm | Dinner

7:00pm – 7:30pm | Public Reception

7:30pm – 9:00pm | Public Event: “The Texas Liberator: Witness to the Holocaust”

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## Agenda at a Glance

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### Monday, March 4, 2019

*Check-in and registration will open at 8am and be available throughout the Conference*

- 7:30am – 9:00am | Coffee and Light Breakfast
- 7:45am – 8:45am | Midrash Group
- 9:00am – 10:30pm | Welcome Remarks  
Dr. Adán García, Museo Memoria y Tolerancia
- 10:45am – 12:15pm | Session #4  
“The Holocaust in France”  
“Christians, Jews, and Judaism from Late Weimar  
to the Early Postwar Era”  
“Conflicting Memories and History”
- 12:30pm – 1:45pm | Lunch
- 2:00pm – 3:30pm | Session #5  
“Resistance and Collaboration, Faith and Gender”  
“Memories of the Camps”  
“Combating Denial”
- 3:45pm – 4:45pm | Roundtable with Prof. Martin Rumscheidt,  
Dr. Henry F. Knight, and Dr. David Patterson
- 5:00pm – 6:30pm | Session #6  
“Realities and Reactions in the East”  
“Revisiting the Holocaust”  
“Religious Reactions”
- 6:45pm – 8:30pm | Closing Dinner  
Eternal Flame Award Presentation

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For more information, please download the conference app: “UT Dallas ASC”  
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Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:30pm – 9:00pm | **Opening Dinner**  
The Discovery Ballroom

Dr. Nils Roemer  
Director of the Ackerman Center, The University of Texas at Dallas  
Stan and Barbara Rabin Professor of Holocaust Studies  
Dr. Marcia Sachs Littell  
Immediate Past President, Annual Scholars' Conference Executive Committee  
Dr. Inga Musselman  
Provost, The University of Texas at Dallas  
Ron Schwarz  
Ackerman Center Advisory Board

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:00am – 9:00am | **Coffee, Tea, Water, and a Parfait Bar**  
Beverage station will be open throughout the day

9:00am – 10:30am | **Welcome**  
The Discovery Ballroom

**Keynote: Dr. Mark Roseman**  
Indiana University Bloomington  
Distinguished Professor, Pat M. Glazer Chair in Jewish Studies  
“Diverse Vantage Points: Rescue and Resistance in History and Memory –  
A Microstudy”

10:30am – 10:45am | **Break**

10:45am – 12:15pm | **Session #1**

**The Holocaust in Hungary**  
The Apollo Room | History and Thought  
Chair: Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth

Presenters: **Ádám Gellért**, University of Bristol  
"Trains to Death: The Hungarian-German  
Organization of the Deportations in 1944"

Dr. Dóra Pataricza, Szeged Jewish Archives  
Kathy Glatter, MD, Szeged Synagogue  
“Conflicting Realities of the Hungarian Holocaust:  
The Truth Behind the Szeged Deportation Lists of 1944”

Prof. Richard Libowitz, Temple University  
“Telling the Story to Another New Audience”

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# Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

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10:45am – 12:15pm | **Session #1 (Cont.)**

## **Literary Responses to the Holocaust**

The Gemini Room | Representation and Memory

Chair: Sarah Hashmi

Presenters: Philip Barber, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“The Role of Memoirs in Histories of the Holocaust”

Dr. Martha Satz, Southern Methodist University  
“Literary Revictimization in the Wake of the Holocaust:  
An Ethical Consideration of Problematic Post-Holocaust  
Novels”

Summer Weaver, Brigham Young University  
“Poetry as a Response to the Shoah”

## **Holocaust through the Lens of Public Administration: The American Experience**

The Mercury Room | Aftermath and the Future

Chair: Dr. Jennifer Holmes

Roundtable Discussion:

Dr. R. Paul Battaglio Jr., The University of Texas at Dallas

Holly Hull Miori, The University of Texas at Dallas

Rebecca Marie Reyes, The University of Texas at Dallas

12:15pm – 12:30pm | **Break**

12:30pm – 2:00pm | **Lunch**

The Discovery Ballroom

### **Speaker: Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth**

2019 ASC Conference Chair

Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies

The University of Texas at Dallas

2:00pm – 2:15pm |

**Break**

2:15pm – 3:15pm |

**Session #2**

## **Close Examinations of the Holocaust**

The Apollo Room | History and Thought

Chair: Dr. David Patterson

Presenters: Sarah Hashmi, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“Visions from the Void: The Liminal Spaces of  
Radnóti's Interwar Poetry”

Raisa Ostapenko, Sorbonne University  
“Life and Death in a Town Called Vakhnivka: A  
Microhistory of the Holocaust”

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## Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

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2:15pm – 3:15pm | Session #2 (Cont.)

### Holocaust Tangibles

The Gemini Room | Representation and Memory

Chair: Amal Shafek

Presenters: Dr. Victoria Aarons, Trinity University  
“Objects of Memory in Holocaust Narratives”

Heather Lutz, Pascack Hills High School and Drew University  
“The Last Survivors: Harnessing the Energy of  
Holocaust Artifacts”

### Memory and Technology

The Mercury Room | Aftermath and the Future

Chair: Dr. Nils Roemer

Presenters: Dr. Rachel N. Baum, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee  
“Presence and Absence of the Victims: Technologies of  
Holocaust Memory in a World Without Witnesses”

Dr. Rebekah Kincaid Nix, The University of Texas at Dallas  
Christine Maxwell, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“The Photographic Legacy of *Remembering for the  
Future 2000*: Implications for Holocaust Education  
and Remembrance”

3:15pm – 3:30pm | Break

3:30pm – 4:30pm | Session #3

### Actions and Inactions of the Allies

The Apollo Room | History and Thought

Chair: Sarah Snyder

Presenters: Dr. Mary Johnson, Facing History and Ourselves  
“Safe Haven: A Place of Euphoria and Despair for  
Jewish Refugees, 1944-5”

Prof. Zohar Segev, University of Haifa  
“Rethinking the Dilemma of Bombing Auschwitz:  
Support, Opposition, and Reservation”

### Depicting Atrocity

The Gemini Room | Representation and Memory

Chair: Dr. Mary Catherine Mueller

Presenters: Dr. Holli Levitsky, Loyola Marymount University  
“Toward Elimination: Charlotte Delbo and the Breakdown  
of Civilization”

Dr. Ludmilla Leibman, Educational Bridge Project, Boston  
“Why Should the Jew Offer Himself as a Scapegoat...?”  
Arnold Schoenberg”



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## Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

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**3:30pm – 4:30pm | Session #3 (Cont.)**

**Accountability and Reconciliation**

The Mercury Room | Aftermath and the Future

Chair: Pedro Gonzalez

Presenters: Terin Tehan, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“Media and Memory in War Crimes Trials”

Judith Vöcker, University of Leicester  
“Criminal Prosecution through the German Juridical Entities in the  
Cities and Ghettos of Warsaw, Cracow and Riga”

**4:30pm – 4:45pm | Break**

**4:45pm – 6:00pm | “Elie Wiesel: Teacher, Mentor, and Friend”**

The Apollo Room

Roundtable discussion:

Prof. Alan Berger, Florida Atlantic University

Dr. Henry F. Knight, Keene State College

Dr. David Patterson, The University of Texas at Dallas

**6:00pm – 6:15pm | Break**

**6:15pm – 7:15pm | Dinner**

The Discovery Ballroom

*Presenters are invited to attend the public reception and lecture following dinner.*

**7:00pm – 7:30pm | Public Event Reception**

Inspiration Hall

**7:30pm – 9:00pm | “The Texas Liberator: Witness to the Holocaust”**

Dr. Aliza S. Wong, Texas Tech University

Associate Dean of the Honors College and Director of European Studies

This public lecture will introduce the Texas Liberator Project, created under Dr. Wong’s supervision with the generous support of the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission as a means of introducing the wider public to the experiences of U.S. soldiers who were witnesses to and actors in the liberation of the Nazi concentration and death camps and serve as a portal to furthering Holocaust and genocide awareness and education. Dr. Wong will speak to the narratives provided by Texas veterans of the Second World War, and the collaboration between Texas Tech University and the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission to support sustained and substantive Holocaust and genocide education in our schools.

**Sponsored by the Mitchell L. and Miriam Lewis Barnett  
Annual Scholars’ Conference Endowment**

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# Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

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*Check-in and registration will open at 8:00am and be available throughout the Conference*

**7:30am – 9:00am |**

**Coffee, Tea, Water, and Assorted Danishes**

Beverage station will remain during the day

**7:45am – 8:45am |**

**Midrash Group**

The Discovery Ballroom

**“Midrashic Conversations: Christian and Jewish Encounters with Scripture, Deuteronomy 19: 15 - 21 and Matthew 5: 33 – 42”**

Prof. Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College

Dr. Henry F. Knight, Keene State College

Dr. David Patterson, The University of Texas at Dallas

**9:00am – 10:30am |**

**Welcome**

The Discovery Ballroom

**Keynote: Dr. Adán B. F.García**

Museo Memoria y Tolerancia, Mexico City

Academic Director

“MMyT, Education, Memory and Human Rights”

**10:30am – 10:45am |**

**Break**

**10:45am – 12:15pm |**

**Session #4**

**The Holocaust in France**

The Apollo Room | History and Thought

Chair: Dr. Marcia Sachs Littell

Presenters:

Dr. Lara R. Curtis, University of Massachusetts Amherst

“Hélène Berr: Her Perspectives on Judaism from Christ to the Holocaust”

Harriet Tamen, JD, Verbe et Lumiere

“The Deportation of French Jews - No Remorse, No Reconciliation”

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10:45am – 12:15pm | Session #4 (Cont.)

**Christians, Jews, and Judaism from Late Weimar to the Early Postwar Era: Global Perspectives and National Narratives**

The Gemini Room | Representation and Memory  
Chair: Dr. Beth Griech-Polelle

Presenters: Dr. Christopher J. Probst, Washington University in St. Louis  
“German Protestant Theology, Jews, and Judaism during the Waning Years of the Weimar Republic: The Case of Adolf Schlatter”

Dr. Suzanne Brown-Fleming,  
The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum  
“‘Whoever Receives Holy Baptism is just like other Christians’: The Vatican and ‘Non-Aryan’ Catholics”

Dr. Kyle Jantzen, Ambrose University  
“‘Keep Your Eyes Upon the Jew!’: Jews and Nazis in the Context of Christian and Missionary Alliance Eschatology”

Prof. Matthew Hockenos, Skidmore College  
“Martin Niemöller and the Jewish Question after 1945”

**Conflicting Memories and History**

The Mercury Room | Aftermath and the Future  
Chair: Dr. Debra Pfister

Presenters: Dr. Matthew James Hone, Stockton University  
“How Holocaust Memories Continue to Divide the Serbs and the Croats”

Prof. Victoria Khiterer, Millersville University  
“The Babi Yar Massacre and Problems with Commemoration of the Holocaust in Modern Ukraine”

Dr. Mary Catherine Mueller,  
“The History Books Got it Wrong. Re-Reading History: The Rhetoric of the *Dallas Morning News* during the Holocaust”

12:15pm – 12:30pm | Break

12:30pm – 1:45pm | Lunch  
The Discovery Ballroom

1:45pm – 2:00pm | Break

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2:00pm – 3:30pm | Session #5

## **Resistance and Collaboration, Faith and Gender**

The Apollo Room | History and Thought

Chair: Dr. Christopher J. Probst

Presenters: Dr. Rebecca Carter-Chand,  
The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum  
“The Salvation Army’s Assistance to Jews during the  
Holocaust and the German Exception”

Dr. Kelly D. Palmer, University of Tampa  
“Vichy and the Quakers: Humanitarian Aid, Neutrality  
and Compromise”

Raymond C. Sun, Washington State University  
“The Price of Doing Good: The Conflicted Identities of a  
Dutch Holocaust Rescuer”

## **Memories of the Camps**

The Gemini Room | Representation and Memory

Chair: Trisha Murphy

Presenters: Elaine Culbertson, Pennsylvania Holocaust Education Council  
“What We Didn’t Know: Camp Sisters”

Dr. Eileen Groth Lyon,  
The State University of New York at Fredonia  
“Living Witnesses’: Contextualizing the Memoirs of the  
Dachau Priests”

Sarah Ellen Snyder, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“The Impossible Return Home: Residing at  
Auschwitz-Birkenau”

## **Combating Denial**

The Mercury Room | Aftermath and the Future

Chair: Dr. David Patterson

Presenters: Mehak Burza, Jamia University, New Delhi  
“Unveiling the Shroud of Deniance”

Igor A. Kotler, Rutgers University  
“Old Victims and New Perpetrators: The Holocaust and Its  
Denial on the Russian Internet”

Dr. Michael Topp, The University of Texas at El Paso  
“Remembrance and Erasure in the Post Holocaust  
United States”

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**3:30pm – 3:45pm | Break**

**3:45pm – 4:45pm | A Search for a Theology Capable of Mourning**

The Discovery Ballroom

Roundtable Discussion:

Prof. Martin Rumscheidt, Atlantic School of Theology

Dr. Henry F. Knight, Keene State College

Dr. David Patterson, The University of Texas at Dallas

**4:45pm – 5:00pm | Break**

**5:00pm – 6:30pm | Session #6**

## **Realities and Reactions in the East**

The Apollo Room | History and Thought

Chair: Dr. Ben Wright

Presenters: Prof. Jadwiga Biskupska, Sam Houston State University  
“The Twilight Period: Polish Treatment of Jews in 1944”

Daniel C. Dunham, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“The Fragility of Narratives: Confronting Bulgaria’s  
Holocaust Past”

Prof. Yitzchak Kerem, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
“Greek Jewry between Liberation in Greece and Continued  
Slave Labor in German Death and Labor Camps in Poland  
and Germany: 1944-1945”

## **Revisiting the Holocaust**

The Gemini Room | Representation and Memory

Chair: Phillip Barber

Presenters: Shawn Rubenfeld, University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
“Divergent Realities: Representation of Heroism and  
Indifference in 20th Century French Holocaust Cinema”

Amy Stavola, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“‘Continued Complicity’ or ‘Historical Slander’:  
Polish Thought and Historical Policy”

Scott Swartsfager, The University of Texas at Dallas  
“Occupied Amsterdam: Jewish Culture in the Melee”

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**5:00pm – 6:30pm | Session #6 (Cont.)**

**Religious Reactions**

The Mercury Room | Aftermath and the Future

Chair: Sarah R. Valente

Presenters: Prof. Alan Astro, Trinity University  
“Yiddish Reactions to Elie Wiesel”

Shannon E. Quigley, University of Haifa  
“The Thought of a German Jewish Christian Nun in Comparison  
with that of German Protestant Theologians in Light of the  
Nazi Ascension to Power”

**6:30pm – 6:45pm | Break**

**6:45pm – 8:30pm | Closing Dinner**  
The Discovery Ballroom

**Eternal Flame Award Ceremony**

Presented by Dr. Marcia Littell

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## The Eternal Flame Award

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The Eternal Flame Award is given to acknowledge individuals whose words and actions have endeavored to assure that we remember the horrific past and murder of six million Jews during the Holocaust and to build a better future for all humanity.

Previous recipients of The Eternal Flame Award include: Elie Wiesel\*, Franklin Littell\*, Marcia Sachs Littell, Elisabeth Maxwell\*, Yehuda Bauer, Michael Berenbaum, Harry James Cargas\*, Gideon Hausner\*, A. Roy Eckardt\*, Beate Klarsfeld, John S. Conway\*, Richard Libowitz, Richard Rubenstein, Yaffa Eliach\*, Emil Fackenheim\*, His Royal Highness Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan, Hubert Locke\*, Vidal Sassoon\*, Gotfried Wagner, Felix Zandman\*, Peter Hoffmann, Henry F. Knight, David Patterson, and Nils Roemer.

This year, the award will be presented to Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsváth, The Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies and founder of the Holocaust Studies Program at The University of Texas at Dallas in recognition of her lifetime of dedication fulfilling the mission of the Ackerman Center: “Teaching the Past, Changing the Future.”

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**Dr. Victoria Aarons** | Trinity University

O.R. & Eva Mitchell Distinguished Professor of Literature  
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**Prof. Alan Astro** | Trinity University

Professor, Modern Languages and Literatures  
“Yiddish Reactions to Elie Wiesel”

**Philip Barber** | The University of Texas at Dallas

PhD Student  
“The Role of Memoirs in Histories of the Holocaust”

**Dr. R. Paul Battaglio Jr.** | The University of Texas at Dallas

Professor, Public & Nonprofit Management  
“Holocaust through the Lens of Public Administration: The American Experience”

**Dr. Rachel N. Baum** | University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Deputy Director, Sam & Helen Stahl Center for Jewish Studies  
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