

The Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies

Our Mission

The mission of the Ackerman Center of The University of Texas at Dallas is to teach the history of the Holocaust - the annihilation of the European Jews, 1933-1945. Supported by the Ackerman Center Endowment, it focuses on the antecedents of this event: the recurring anti-Semitism over the millennia and the European historical developments during the 19th and 20th centuries, including the cultural manifestations of our post-Holocaust world. This broad interdisciplinary studies program provides the opportunity for students to explore the background and details of this particular mass murder together with the nature of prejudice and the importance of solidarity, tolerance, and compassion in the world.



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*America - In the Shadow
of the Holocaust*

**Teacher Institute
June 26-27, 2013**

**UT Dallas
McDermott Suite**

The Holocaust and the American Experience, presented by the Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies at UT Dallas, is a comprehensive two and a half day exploration into teaching strategies for Middle and High School educators. Bringing together experts in the field, this unique learning experience affords teachers the opportunity to gain innovative classroom tools and skills for teaching the Holocaust through the Humanities, English, Social Studies, History, and Geography, as well as providing an opportunity to interface with area educators who are currently implementing these strategies with their students. Sessions will focus on key historical issues relating to the history of anti-Semitism, critical nineteenth and twentieth-century thought leading up to the Nazi takeover, and the seminal events of the war. Teachers will be provided with a selection of seminars pertaining to their field including the use of multi-media, film, and database resources.

We invite you to participate in this Teacher Institute which offers 16 hours of continuing education credit and is being provided to educators in the greater Dallas area free of charge thanks to a generous endowment to the Ackerman Center.

The Facilitators

<i>Dr. Zsuzsanna Ozsvath</i>	<i>UT Dallas Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies</i>
<i>Dr David Patterson</i>	<i>UT Dallas Hillel Feinberg Chair in Holocaust Studies</i>
<i>Dr. Debbie Pfister</i>	<i>UT Dallas History and Literature of the Holocaust</i>
<i>Dr. Nils Romer</i>	<i>UT Dallas Rabin Professor Jewish History and Culture</i>
<i>Steve Leonard</i>	<i>Plano Senior High School</i>

Holocaust Studies

Since its creation two decades ago, the Holocaust Studies Program of The University of Texas at Dallas has established an international reputation. Offering a graduate certificate in the topic, its multi-faceted program based on teaching and research is a component of the School of Arts and Humanities and is augmented by the support of the endowment for the Ackerman Center for Holocaust Studies, the Leah and Paul Lewis Chair in Holocaust Studies, the Hillel A. Feinberg Chair in Holocaust Studies, the Burton C. Einspruch Holocaust Lecture Series, the Selwin Belofsky Graduate Fellowship in Holocaust Studies, and the Arnold A. Jaffe Holocaust Book Collection.

The program's interdisciplinary curriculum includes graduate and undergraduate courses on the Holocaust, as well as Jewish history and culture which explore the rich narrative of Jewish life in Europe prior to the Nazi era and the devastation wrought in its aftermath. In addition, Holocaust Studies at UT Dallas also integrates comparative analyses of the Jewish communities in both Europe and America in the 19th and 20th centuries, while exploring the immense contributions made to European culture by Jewish thinkers, artists, and civic leaders before the destruction. This structure provides students with a scholarly, fact-based comprehension of all aspects of the Holocaust together with a full grounding in the intellectual and cultural environment of European civilization which preceded this cataclysmic event.

The Arnold A. Jaffe Holocaust Book Collection, located in UT Dallas' Eugene McDermott Library, is a renowned book, video, and database collection of Holocaust material for students and researchers. Part of an international bibliographic database that connects hundreds of public, private, academic, and institutional libraries, the Jaffe Collection is a critical asset to the Program. Researchers across the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Europe utilize the Jaffe Collection and its holdings through the library's interlibrary loan program, making it a valuable resource to scholars of the Holocaust.

The Einspruch Holocaust Lecture Series

The Burton C. Einspruch Holocaust Lecture Series brings to UT Dallas and the North Texas community the world's most distinguished scholars of the Holocaust. Open to the public, the Einspruch Lectures enable students, scholars, and the general public to gain insight into the newest research surrounding the Shoah. Renowned scholars appearing in this program include: Alan Berger, Randolph L. Braham, Christopher Browning, John Cornwell, Saul Friedländer, Daniel Goldhagen, Jan Gross, Israel Gutman, Jürgen Habermas, Raul Hilberg, Géza Komoróczy, Steven Katz, Lawrence Langer, Vera Laska, Deborah Lipstadt, Wendy Lower, David Patterson, Alvin Rosenfeld, David Roskies, István Szabó, Robert S. Wistrich, and David S. Wyman.

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Last Name First Name(s)

Preferred Address: _____ City/Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

School: _____ Teaching field: _____

District: _____ Grade: _____

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