

**MIDWEST SLAVIC
CONFERENCE
2018**

Hosted by
**The Center for Slavic and
East European Studies**

The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio
March 23-25, 2018

WELCOME

The Midwest Slavic Association, the Center for Slavic and East European Studies (CSEES), and The Ohio State University would like to welcome you to the 2018 Midwest Slavic Conference. Once again, this year our conference is full of an interesting and stimulating mix of panels, round tables, and lectures. Tara Zahra will open the conference on Friday evening with a keynote address based on her latest book *The Great Departure: Mass Migration From Eastern Europe and the Making of the Free World*. Saturday morning will start with the plenary panel “Borders, Barriers, and Belonging: A Spotlight on Global Migration” and a photo exhibit on refugees and migrants living in Belgrade, Serbia. Throughout the day on Saturday and Sunday, there will be over 26 panels covering all areas of Eastern Europe and Eurasia from all disciplines. A Saturday Luncheon Lecture will be devoted to exploring questions related to the value of engaging with underexposed literary and cultural traditions in “Canons Continually Recast: Claiming Space for the Genius of Europe’s Borderlands”. Additionally, on Saturday we will hold a networking event for students. These events we hope will enrich your understanding of the countries of Eastern Europe and Eurasia in a stimulating, academic environment.

As always, our conference is truly only possible through the participation of our wonderful faculty and students across the country.

Dr. Jill Bystydzienski, Director
CSEES

Conference Location:

The conference will start with the reception at 5:30P.M. at the Faculty Club (181 South Oval Drive) with the keynote immediately following at 7:00P.M. in Mendenhall Laboratory, Room 100 (125 South Oval Mall) on Friday, March 23. Conference panels will be held in Mendenhall Laboratory on the OSU campus in Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday, March 24 and Sunday, March 25. Parking is available at the Ohio Union Garages (1780 College Road), located next to Page Hall, and the Neil Avenue Parking Garage (1801 Neil Avenue).

Registration:

Registration is \$20 for all attendees. The registration covers access to all panels, coffee breaks, and membership in the Midwest Slavic Association. All attendees will be required to register at the start of the conference and wear their name badges at all times. Registration will be located in the foyer of Mendenhall Laboratory. For more information, please visit the registration table.

Call for Support:

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MIDWEST SLAVIC CONFERENCE PROGRAM AGENDA

We encourage you to attend as many panels as you would like, as well as all special events.

Friday, March 23, 2018

Faculty Club and Mendenhall Laboratory

5:00P.M.—5:30P.M.	Registration—Faculty Club
5:30P.M.—6:45P.M.	Opening Reception—Faculty Club
7:00P.M.—8:30P.M.	Keynote Address by Tara Zahra on her book <i>The Great Departure: Mass Migration From Eastern Europe and the Making of the Free World</i> —Mendenhall Laboratory

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Mendenhall Laboratory

8:00A.M.—5:00P.M.	Registration
8:30A.M.—10:30A.M.	Plenary Panel
10:30A.M.—10:45A.M.	Coffee Break
10:45A.M.—12:15P.M.	Panel Session I
12:15P.M.—1:45P.M.	Lunch Break
1:45P.M.—3:15P.M.	Panel Session II
3:15P.M.—3:30P.M.	Coffee Break
3:30P.M.—5:00P.M.	Panel Session III

Optional Special Events:

12:15P.M.—1:45P.M.	Luncheon Lecture
6:00P.M.—8:30P.M.	Student Mixer at King Avenue Five (945 King Ave.)

Sunday, March 25, 2018

Mendenhall Laboratory

8:00A.M.—12:00P.M.	Registration
8:30A.M.—10:00A.M.	Panel Session IV
10:00A.M.—10:15A.M.	Coffee Break
10:15A.M.—11:45A.M.	Panel Session V

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KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY TARA ZAHRA

“THE GREAT DEPARTURE: MASS MIGRATION FROM EASTERN EUROPE AND THE MAKING OF THE FREE WORLD”

Tara Zahra is a professor of History at the University of Chicago and a current MacArthur Fellow. Her research focuses on the transnational history of modern Europe, migration, the family, nationalism, and humanitarianism. She will open the conference with a keynote address based on her latest book, *The Great Departure: Mass Migration From Eastern Europe and the Making of the Free World*, which explores the history of Eastern European migration to the new world between 1846 to 1940 and the political responses to the movement, as well as the personal experiences of migrants. Her previous books include *The Lost Children: Reconstructing Europe's Families after World War II* and *Kidnapped Souls: National Indifference and the Battle for Children in the Bohemian Lands*.



LUNCHEON LECTURE BY MICHAEL BIGGINS

“Canons Continually Recast: Claiming Space for the Genius of Europe’s Borderlands”

Sponsored by the Slovene Research Initiative

Michael Biggins is an Affiliate Professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures, and the Slavic, Baltic and East European Studies librarian at the University of Washington. He is a widely published translator of Slovene literature into English, and he teaches courses on Slovene language and literature.



This luncheon lecture will discuss the value of engaging with previously underexposed East European literary and cultural traditions for enlarging and clarifying the canon of world literature and art, using examples from Slovenian literature and art to show the latent potential of traditions that accidents of geography and language have obscured from wider exposure and argue that East Europeanists in particular have decades’ worth of vital but selective cultural recovery work yet to accomplish.

PHOTO EXHIBITION

“VIEW FROM THE EDGE: LIVING ROUGH IN THE BELGRADE BARRACKS”

Abdul Saboor is a 26 year old asylum seeker from Jalalabad, Afghanistan. He fled Taliban persecution over two years ago and while en route to the European Union, he spent a year in Serbia from September 2016 to September 2017. While living in Belgrade, he took photos of “the barracks,” where over 1,000 Afghan and Pakistani refugees and migrants were living in a squalid train depot behind the central Belgrade bus station. In an attempt to raise awareness about the deplorable conditions faced by those sleeping rough outside of the Serbian-run reception centers, Abdul displayed the photos on his social media pages and sold them to journalists. His photos have been exhibited across Europe in Switzerland, Luxembourg, Poland, Serbia, and England, and are currently on display at the Ministry of Culture in Paris.



PLENARY PANEL

“BORDERS, BARRIERS, AND BELONGING: A SPOTLIGHT ON GLOBAL MIGRATION”

Organized by the five area studies centers in the Office of International Affairs at Ohio State, this plenary panel brings together interdisciplinary scholars whose research focuses on migration and movement from Africa, East Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, and Southeastern Europe. While the panelists will discuss human movement from regional perspectives, the panel aims to transcend the regional and demonstrate the inherently global nature of human mobility. The panel will be moderated by Tara Zahra.

The panel is co-sponsored by the Center for African Studies, the Center for Latin American Studies, the East Asian Studies Center, and the Middle East Studies Center at The Ohio State University.

Panelists:

Jeffrey H. Cohen, is a professor of anthropology at The Ohio State University. His research on migration and economic development in Oaxaca, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Turkey and China includes support from the National Science Foundation, National Geographic Society, and the Fulbright program. His articles have appeared in *American Anthropologist*, *Anthropological Quarterly*, *Gastronomica*, *Human Organization*, *International Journal of Sociology*, *International Migration*, and *Population, Space and Place*. His books include *Cooperation and Community: Economy and Society in Oaxaca*, *The Culture of Migration in Southern Mexico*, and with Ibrahim Sirkeci, *The Cultures of Migration: The Global Nature of Contemporary Movement*, named an outstanding title by Choice Reviews for 2012. His most recent book is *Eating Soup without a Spoon: Anthropological Theory and Method in the Real World*.



Steven Lee is an associate professor in the Department of English at UC Berkeley, where he is also affiliated with the Center for Korean Studies and the Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies. He is the author of *The Ethnic Avant-Garde: Minority Cultures and World Revolution*, co-winner of the 2016 Scaglione Prize for Comparative Literary Studies from the Modern Language Association. He is currently co-editing a volume about the international circulation of leftist cultures, entitled *Comintern Aesthetics*.



Eleanor Paynter is a PhD candidate in Comparative Studies at The Ohio State University. Her scholarly work focuses on migration, asylum, borders, and their representation in life narrative, with particular attention to contemporary Africa-Europe migration and a focus on Mediterranean crossing. Eleanor is a co-founder and board member of OSU's Migration Studies Working Group, and her articles have appeared or are forthcoming in the *European Journal of Life Writing*, *a/b: auto/biography*, and *Contexts*. Her dissertation project, "Emergency in Transit", investigates discourses and experiences of emergency in the context of precarious migration to Italy, analyzing oral history interviews and written and film-



ic narratives.

Sunnie Rucker-Chang is an assistant professor in the Department of German Studies and Director of European Studies at the University of Cincinnati. Her primary interests lie in contemporary cultural movements and identity formation in Central and South-east Europe. In her work, she examines how literary and filmic works contribute to cultural landscapes and offer insight into the formation of nations and nationalities in the region, particularly as they relate to the construction of minority-majority relations and formations of difference. Other research interests include émigré and exile literature and the application of post-colonial thought to post-socialist contexts.



Johanna Sellman is Assistant Professor of Arabic Literature in the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures at The Ohio State University. She received her PhD in Comparative Literature from UT Austin in 2013. At OSU, she teaches courses on Arabic literature, culture, and translation. Johanna has authored articles on the changing meanings of exile in post-1990s Arabic literature, Arab-Nordic theater, and on pedagogies of teaching the Arabic language through literature. Her current book project, *Borders of Belonging: Imagined Citizenship in Arabic Migration Literature* analyzes the transformations of Arabic migration literature in an era of mobility, displacement, and globalization. It focuses on literary narratives that write the liminality of borders and the spaces outside of citizenship through different modes of defamiliarization and speculative genres. On campus, Johanna participates in several migration studies initiatives. She is on the conceptual team for the Global Mobility and Migration Discovery Theme and the faculty mentor for the graduate-student led Migration Studies Working Group.



Building on the themes of the keynote address and plenary panel, the conference will host a number of panels that focus on migration and movement to and from Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Europe and Eurasia. Migration-themed panels will mainly be held in room 115.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

FACULTY CLUB AND MENDENHALL LABORATORY

REGISTRATION: 5:00P.M.—5:30P.M.

Outside the Faculty Club Grand Lounge

OPENING REMARKS: 5:30P.M.

Faculty Club Grand Lounge

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**OPENING RECEPTION: 5:30P.M.—6:45
P.M.**

Faculty Club Grand Lounge

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS: 7:00P.M.—
8:30P.M.**

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 100

Dr. Tara Zahra, U. of Chicago

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

MENDENHALL LABORATORY

REGISTRATION: 8:00A.M.—5:00P.M.

Mendenhall Laboratory Foyer

**PLENARY PANEL: 8:30A.M.—
10:30A.M.**

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 100

Chair: Dr. Tara Zahra, U. of Chicago

**Dr. Jeffrey Cohen, Ohio State U.
Dr. Steven Lee, U. of California, Berkeley
Ms. Eleanor Paynter, Ohio State U.
Dr. Sunnie Rucker-Chang, U. of Cincinnati
Dr. Johanna Sellman, Ohio State U.**

**COFFEE BREAK: 10:30A.M.—
10:45A.M.**

Mendenhall Laboratory 100

SESSION I: 10:45A.M.—12:15P.M.

**I-A: The Influence of the Internet and Western
Business on Russian Society and Politics**

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 125

Chair: Dr. Mikhail Beznosov, U. of West Georgia

Dr. Olga Kamenchuk and Dr. Erik Nisbet, Ohio State U.

“How the Internet and Social Media Pierce the Economic Misperceptions Underlying Public Support for Authoritarian Governance”

Ben Krupp, U. of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
“Building Branded Bodies: Nike in Moscow”

I-B: Linguistics

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 131

Chair: Dr. Daniel Bunčić, U. of Cologne/Kent State U.

Carly Dickerson and Rexhina Ndoci, Ohio State U.

“Greetings and Politeness in Albanian”

Gary Hlusko, Independent Scholar

“Text Analysis with ForestNTrees”

I-C: Movement and Migration: People, Identities, and Ideas

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 115

Chair: Dr. Steven Lee, U. of California, Berkeley

Oskar Czendze, U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

“Galitzianer vs Litvaks: Regional Identities and the Jewish Migration Experience in the United States”
Christine Grant, Carnegie Mellon U.

“Social Reform on the Move: Penitentiary Agricultural Colonies in the Nineteenth Century, from the Loire to the Neva”

Austin Wilson, Indiana U.

“Closed Imaginations: Space and Place of Communities in Greater Manchuria in Tsarist Vladivostok Media Discourse”

I-D: Eastern Europe in the United States

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 175

Chair: Dr. Tim Pogacar, Bowling Green State U.

Dr. Ljiljana Duraskovic, U. of Pittsburgh

“Where the Gusle Still Reverberates’- Montenegrin Migrants Living a Life Between the New and the Old Home”

Daria Semenova, U. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

“The Self-identification of the Soviet Jewish Émigrés to the US as Seen by Efraim Sevela and Sergei Dovlatov”

Sergii Gurbych, U. of Heidelberg

“The Immigration to the US from Eastern Europe in the Late 20th Century in the Works by Gary Steyn-gart”

I-E: Forbidden Books and Doktor Zhivago

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 173

Chair: Dr. Helena Goscilo, Ohio State U.

Dasha Hardisky, Ohio State U.

“Doktor Zhivago: A Modern Take on a Russian Fairy Tale”

Andrew Thompson, Ohio State U.

“Freedom in Art: Receptive Self-Determination in Doktor Zhivago”

Ekaterina Tikhonyuk, Ohio State U.

“The Theme of Betrayal in Dissident Literature: The Image of Judas in the Works of Mikhail Bulgakov and Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn”

LUNCHEON LECTURE: 12:15P.M.—1:45P.M.

*Mendenhall Laboratory Room 100
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Dr. Michael Biggins, U. of Washington

SESSION II: 1:45P.M.—3:15P.M.

II-A: Crime and Disinformation in and from Russia and Eastern Europe

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 125

Chair: Dr. Olga Kamenchuk, Ohio State U.

Brenden Wood, Ohio State U.

“Experience and Space in the Russian Penal System: Expectation versus Reality”

Jason Port, East Carolina U.

“The Impact of Russian Disinformation Campaigns on the United States and its Allies in the Putin Era”

Jimmy Morgan, Kent State U.

“From Wise Guys to Key Punchers: East European Organized Crime in the Cyber World”

II-B: Migration and Its Effects in Eastern and Western Europe

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 115

Chair: Dr. Colin Johnson, U. of Pittsburgh

Dr. Antonio Eduardo Mendonca and Dr. Elena Bulakh, U. of Lisbon

“Post-Soviet Migrants in Portugal, 1991-2017”

Dr. Mary Erdmans, Case Western Reserve U.

“The Transnational Ties Between Those Who Leave and Those Who Stay Behind: Polish Refugees and the Solidarity Movement”

Kathryn Metz, Ohio State U.

“Violence and Exclusion: How European Union Border Externalization Impacts Transit Migrants in the Western Balkans”

Barbara Roth, Ohio State U.

“Spatial Conflict Progression and Mediation Onset During the Collapse of Yugoslavia, 1991-1999”

II-C: Language Ecology

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 131

Chair: Dr. Andrea Sims, Ohio State U.

Danielle Martin-Jensen, Kent State U.

“Positive LGBTQ Language and Gender-Neutral Pronoun Possibilities in Russian Language”

Dr. Daniel Bunčić, U. of Cologne/Kent State U.

“Biscriptality in Migrant and Minority Situations”

II-D: Information, Bureaucracy, and State Institutions

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 129

Chair: Mr. Pietro Shakarian, Ohio State U.

Sam Fajerstein, Indiana U.

“A Microprocess of Stalinization, 1928-1930: The Transformation of *Puti sel'skogo khoziaistva* and the Army of Soviet Agronomists”

Tyson Sadleir, U. of Cincinnati

“The Georgian Legal System on the Eve of Russian Annexation”

II-E: Rhetoric of Political Relations

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 173

Chair: Dr. Angela Brintlinger, Ohio State U.

Dr. Nikolay Karkov, Michigan State U.

“Vesthomania, New Year Fantasies, and Funky Freedom: Georgi Markov on State Socialism”

Dr. Irina Dzero, Kent State U.

“Gibberish in the Russian Public Sphere: Fun and Strategy”

Erin Tupman, College of Wooster

“Vampilov, Alfred, and Horovitz: Foreign Languages in Dramatic Power Play”

COFFEE BREAK: 3:15P.M.—3:30P.M.

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 100

SESSION III: 3:30P.M.—5:00P.M.

III-A: Emigration, Migration, Exile, Part I

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 115

Chair: Dr. Nikolay Karkov, Michigan State U.

Randall Rowe, Ohio State U.

“Mobility and Effects in the Lives of LGBTQ Russian Migrants”

Dr. Adela Lechintan-Seifer, Ohio State U.

“Imagined Itineraries of Immigration in Cristian Mungiu’s *Occident*”

Dr. Amarilis Lugo de Fabritz, Howard U.

“Cuban Encounter”

III-B: The State, Religion, and Minority Groups: Questions About Power and Access

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 125

Chair: Dr. Jill Bystydzienski, Ohio State U.

Dr. Alicja Curanovic, U. of Warsaw

“Confronting the Dilemma ‘National Security vs. Christian Duty’: the Russian Orthodox Church’s Take on Migrants and Refugees”

Martha Pack, Independent Scholar

“Catholicism and Domestic Violence in Eastern Europe: The Nationalism Backlash”

Kyle Estes, U. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

“Post-Soviet Ethnic Politics and Public Goods Provision: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan”

SATURDAY, MARCH 24 (CONT.)

III-C: Roundtable on Translation

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 131

Dr. Brian Baer, Kent State U.
Dr. Angela Brintlinger, Ohio State U.
Mr. Thomas Feerick, Northwestern U.
Dr. Anastasia Lakhtikova, Independent Scholar

III-D: Purpose, Production, and Realities of Propaganda

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 129

Chair: Mr. Alexandru Groza, U. of California, Berkeley

Liana Kirillova, Southern Illinois U.
 “Peoples’ Friendship University: Racialization under the Rhetoric of Soviet Internationalism”
Szabolcs Laszlo, Indiana U.
 “Cold War Refugee Camps in Hungarian Communist Propaganda (1970s-80s)”
Jonathon Dreeze, Ohio State U.
 “Stalin’s Empire: Soviet Propaganda in Kazakhstan”

III-E: Self and Other

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 173

Chair: Dr. Irina Stakhanova, Bowling Green State U.

Dr. Peter Orte, U. of Oregon
 “The Diaries of Waslaw Nijinsky and the Absence of Work”
Dr. Alexandre Gontchar, Harvard U.
 “Gogol’s Logic: The Metonymic Nose of Philosophical Anthropology”
Sophia Williams, Howard U.
 “Dubois and Stalin”

SUNDAY, MARCH 25 MENDENHALL LABORATORY

REGISTRATION: 8:00A.M.—12:00P.M.

Mendenhall Laboratory Foyer

SESSION IV: 8:30A.M.—10:00A.M.

IV-A: Resolving East European Ties with the European Union and the United States

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 125

Chair: Dr. Adela Lechintan-Siefer, Ohio State U.

Ionela Maria Ciolan, U. of California, Berkeley
 “The Role of Romania and Bulgaria in the Eastern

Neighborhood: Between Followers and Influencers in the European Foreign Policy Agenda”

Alexandru Groza, U. of California, Berkeley

“Nicolae Ceausescu and the Two-Faced Policy, 1965-1981”

IV-B: Second Language Acquisition

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 131

Chair: Ms. Izolda Wolski-Moskoff, Ohio State U.

Marco-Andres Camilo Pietri, U. of Puerto Rico
 “Phonetic and Grammatical Difficulties at the Introductory Level Study of Russian as a Foreign Language for Puerto Ricans and Spanish Speakers”

Janet Stewart, U. of Minnesota-Twin Cities

“Her Russian Broke my Brain’: The Linguistic Influence of English on the Vocabulary of a Russian Heritage Speaker”

IV-C: Autonomy, Diplomacy, and Identity

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 129

Chair: Dr. Peter Milich, Webster U.

George Andrei, Ohio State U.

“Nationality before Nationalism: Ethnic Politics, Geopolitics, and the Sustainability of the Magyar Kingdom in the East”

William O’Brien, Ohio State U.

“State-building in Russia’s Northern Periphery: The Case of Karelia”

Pietro Shakarian, Ohio State U.

“Haze over Ararat: The Role of Environmentalism in the Rise of National and Civic Movements in Soviet and Post-Soviet Armenia, 1975-Present”

Martin Kozon, U. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

“The Implications of Marshal Józef Piłsudski’s Coup on German Foreign Policy, 1926-1927”

IV-D: Emigration, Migration, and Exile Part II

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 115

Chair: Dr. Alexandre Gontchar, Harvard U.

Miroslava Nikolova, Brown U.

“The Faces (and Spaces) of Exile: Parallel Case Study of the Late Poetry of Joseph Brodsky and Anna Akhmatova”

Maria Cantemir, Ohio State U.

“The Romanian Children of Migration in Florin Șerban’s *If I Want to Whistle, I Whistle*”

IV-E: Gender and Soviet Identity

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 173

Chair: Dr. Epp Annus, Ohio State U.

Teresa Kuruc, U. of California, San Diego

“‘We have communism’: Svetlana Alexievich’s *Voices from Chernobyl* as Heterotopic Documentary”
Svetlana Ter-Grigoryan, Ohio State U.

“Magic of the Forbidden Fruit': Soviet Sexual Anxieties in the Glasnost Popular Press”

COFFEE BREAK: 10:00A.M.—10:15A.M.

Mendenhall Laboratory 100

SESSION V: 10:15A.M.—11:45A.M.

V-A: Migration and Minorities in Post-Communist Countries

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 115

Chair: Dr. Mary Erdmans, Case Western Reserve U.

Dr. Colin Johnson, U. of Pittsburgh

“Defying the Unitary State: Variation in Regional Migration Policies in Russia”

Cian Stryker, U. of Pittsburgh

“The Integration of Russian Minorities in Estonia and Kyrgyzstan”

Philip Decker, Swarthmore College

“Alternative for (Russian) Germany: Explaining Russian-German Voters' Gravitation to Right Wing Populism”

V-B: Language in Flux: Bosnian-Croatian-Montenegrin-Serbian, the Struggle for Dialectical Standardization, the Introduction of Neologisms, and the Living Language of Migrant Speakers

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 131

Chair: Dr. Ljiljana Duraskovic, U. of Pittsburgh

Anton Boras, U. of Pittsburgh

“Neologisms and Nationalism in Bosnian, Croatian, and Serbian”

Pablo Lindsay, U. of Pittsburgh

“Dialectal Standardization of Bosnian-Croatian-Montenegrin-Serbian: A Comparative Approach”

Emma Mamula, U. of Pittsburgh

“Retaining Identity While Gaining Opportunity: Effects of Bosnian-Serbian-Montenegrin-Croatian Migration”

V-C: Experiences and Memories from the Second World War

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 129

Chair: Ms. Brenna Miller, Ohio State U.

Danielle Frazier, Independent Scholar

“Jasenovac as a Space of Exception”

Susan Grunewald, Carnegie Mellon U.

“From ‘War Dogs’ to Mourned Men: Commemoration of German Prisoners in the Soviet Union and Russia”

Zukhra Kasimova, U. of Illinois, Chicago

“Internal Displacement and Downward Integration of Displaced Orphans in Uzbek Soviet Socialist Republic during the Great Patriotic War”

V-D: Controls and Chaos in the Novel

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 173

Chair: Dr. Brian Baer, Kent State U.

Mary MacDonald, Ohio State U.

“Dostoevsky's Women as Agents of Chaos in *The Idiot* and *The Brothers Karamazov*: The Destruction of the Literary Worlds of Nastasya Filippovna, Aglaya Epanchin, Katerina Ivanovna and Agrafena Alexandrovna”

Tomi Haxhi, Columbia U.

“On the Threshold of Being: Political and Ontological Borders in Platonov's *Dzhan*”

V-E: New Media and Cross-Cultural Transfer

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 175

Chair: Dr. Daniel Pratt, Ohio State U.

Alena Aniskiewicz, U. of Michigan

“If Mickiewicz was alive today; he'd be a good rhymer’: Performing Genre and National Credibility in Polish Hip-Hop”

Ozlem Eren, U. of Wisconsin - Madison

“Translation of the Byzantine Culture Along the Preslav-Kiev Route”

V-F: Building the Russian National Idea

Mendenhall Laboratory Room 125

Chair: Dr. Jennifer Suchland, Ohio State U.

Dr. Peter Milich, Webster U.

“Russia's Syria Gambit: Toward a Neo-Hesychast Foreign Policy?”

Dr. Mikhail Beznosov, U. of West Georgia

“Conceptualization and Formulation of National Interest and National Idea in the Former Soviet Union Countries: Cultural, Historical, Political, and Geopolitical Aspects”

Seraphine Mendez, U. of South Florida

“The United States vs. Russia: Political Cultures and Political Preferences”

Dr. Richard Arnold and Mikhala West, Muskingum U.

“Sporting Diplomacy? Ordinary Russians' Perceptions of the 2018 World Cup”

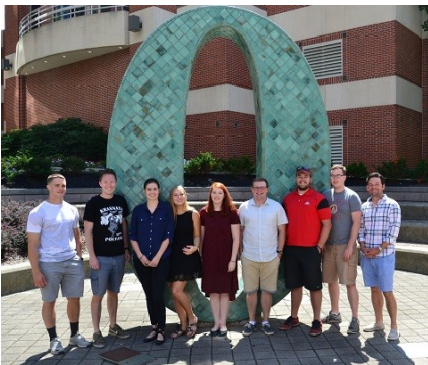
SPECIAL EVENTS

Opening Reception: Friday, March 23, 5:30P.M.-6:45P.M., Faculty Club

Keynote Address: Friday, March 23, 7:00P.M.-8:30P.M., Mendenhall Laboratory, Room 100

Luncheon Lecture: Saturday, March 24, 12:15P.M.-1:45P.M., Mendenhall Laboratory, Room 100

Student Mixer: Saturday, March 24, 6:00P.M.-8:30P.M., King Avenue Five, 945 King Ave. Columbus 43212



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2018 MIDWEST SLAVIC ASSOCIATION STUDENT ESSAY PRIZE COMPETITION

The Midwest Slavic Association, with support from the Association for Slavic and East European Studies, is now accepting submissions for its annual essay prize competition for undergraduate and graduate students. Students can submit a paper on any topic related to Slavic, East European, and Eurasian studies to the Midwest Slavic Association for consideration. The best undergraduate paper received will win a one-year membership to ASEES, and the graduate winner will receive a one-year membership to ASEES, as well as being considered then for the ASEES Graduate Student Essay Prize at the national level. The graduate winner of the ASEES Student Essay Prize at the national level wins travel, lodging, and registration for the Annual ASEES Convention and membership for the following year. The prize is presented during the awards presentation at the Annual Convention.

Undergraduate paper submissions can be a variety of formats, including: conference paper, thesis, course paper, or article. They should be no longer than 20 double-spaced pages including notes and bib-

liography. Entries must be submitted electronically and written in English.

Graduate essay submissions can be of several formats: expanded versions of conference papers, graduate level seminar papers, Master's thesis chapters, or dissertation chapters. The student should indicate what type of paper they are submitting and provide an abstract. Essays should have a minimum word count of 7,500 and a maximum word count of 14,000 (25 to 50 pages approximately) inclusive of footnotes and bibliography. Submissions must be written in English, double-spaced, and include footnotes or endnotes.

All submissions are due on Monday, April 30 and should be emailed to Brian Baer at bbaer@kent.edu. With your submission, please also include a short bio of the author, an abstract of the essay, and indicate the format of the essay. Please visit ASEEES' website for full information on the national level competition: <http://aseees.org/programs/aseees-prizes/graduate-student-essay-prize>.

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	Friday, March 23
	Faculty Club Grand Lounge
5:30-6:45	Midwest Slavic Opening Reception

	Saturday, March 24		
	Mendenhall Lab 100		
8:30-10:30	Plenary Panel		
10:30-10:45	COFFEE BREAK Mendenhall Lab 100		
	Mendenhall Lab 115	Mendenhall Lab 125	Mendenhall Lab 129
Session I 10:45-12:15	Movement and Migration	The Influence of the Internet and Western Business on Russian Society and Politics	
12:15-1:45	Luncheon Lecture given by		
Session II 1:45-3:15	Migration and Its Effects in Eastern and Western Europe	Crime and Disinformation in and from Russia and Eastern Europe	Information, Bureaucracy, and State Institutions
3:15-3:30	COFFEE BREAK Mendenhall Lab 100		
Session III 3:30-5:00	Emigration, Migration, and Exile Part I	The State, Religion, and Minority Groups: Questions About Power and Access	Purpose, Production, and Realities of Propaganda

	Sunday, March 25		
	Mendenhall Lab 115	Mendenhall Lab 125	Mendenhall Lab 129
Session IV 8:30-10:00	Emigration, Migration, and Exile Part II	Resolving East European Ties with the European Union and the United States	Autonomy, Displacement, and Identity
10:00-10:15	COFFEE BREAK Mendenhall Lab 100		
Session V 10:15-11:45	Migration and Minorities in Post-Communist Countries	Building the Russian National Idea	Experiences and Memories from the Second World War

Additional Events	
Saturday 6:00-8:30	Student Mixer—King Avenue Five (945 King Ave. Columbus 43212)

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Friday, March 23			
Mendenhall Laboratory, Room 100			
Midwest Slavic Keynote Address by Tara Zahra			7:00-8:30

Saturday, March 24			
Mendenhall Lab 100			
Borders, Barriers, and Belonging: A Spotlight on Global Migration			8:30-10:30
COFFEE BREAK Mendenhall Lab 100			10:30-10:45
Mendenhall Lab 131	Mendenhall Lab 173	Mendenhall Lab 175	
Linguistics	Forbidden Books and <i>Doktor Zhivago</i>	Eastern Europe in the United States	Session I 10:45-12:15
Michael Biggins in Mendenhall Lab 100			12:15-1:45
Language Ecology	Rhetoric and Political Relations		Session II 1:45-3:15
COFFEE BREAK Mendenhall Lab 100			3:15-3:30
Roundtable on Translation	Self and Other		Session III 3:30-5:00

Sunday, March 25			
Mendenhall Lab 131	Mendenhall Lab 173	Mendenhall Lab 175	
Second Language Acquisition	Gender and Soviet Identity		Session IV 8:30-10:00
COFFEE BREAK Mendenhall Lab 100			10:00-10:15
Language in Flux	Controls and Chaos in the Novel	New Media and Cross-Cultural Transfer	Session V 10:15-11:45

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ANNUAL CONVENTION

One of the Association's core activities is the annual convention. This international forum makes possible a broad exchange of ideas, stimulating further work and sustaining the field's scholarly excellence.

Convention Theme: Performance
2018 marks both the organization's 50th Annual Convention and 70 years since ASEEEES' founding as a scholarly society. This anniversary invites us to consider past performance, as individual scholars and an organization devoted to Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, as well as the roles we can perform in the future.

MEMBERSHIP

ASEEES has approximately 3,200 individual members in the US and abroad. Membership is open to anyone interested in furthering ASEEEES' scholarly objectives.

Members receive:

- *Slavic Review*, including the online collection
- Access to ASEEEES Commons, an integrated online discussion platform and document repository
- Access to job, funding, and event announcements
- Eligibility to apply for travel grants, dissertation research funding, and first book subventions
- Access to professional development opportunities

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K-12 Teacher Training: *The Rise and Fall of the Eastern Bloc Sport System*

Saturday, May 5, 10:00am - 2:00pm
Enarson Classroom Building,
Room 160

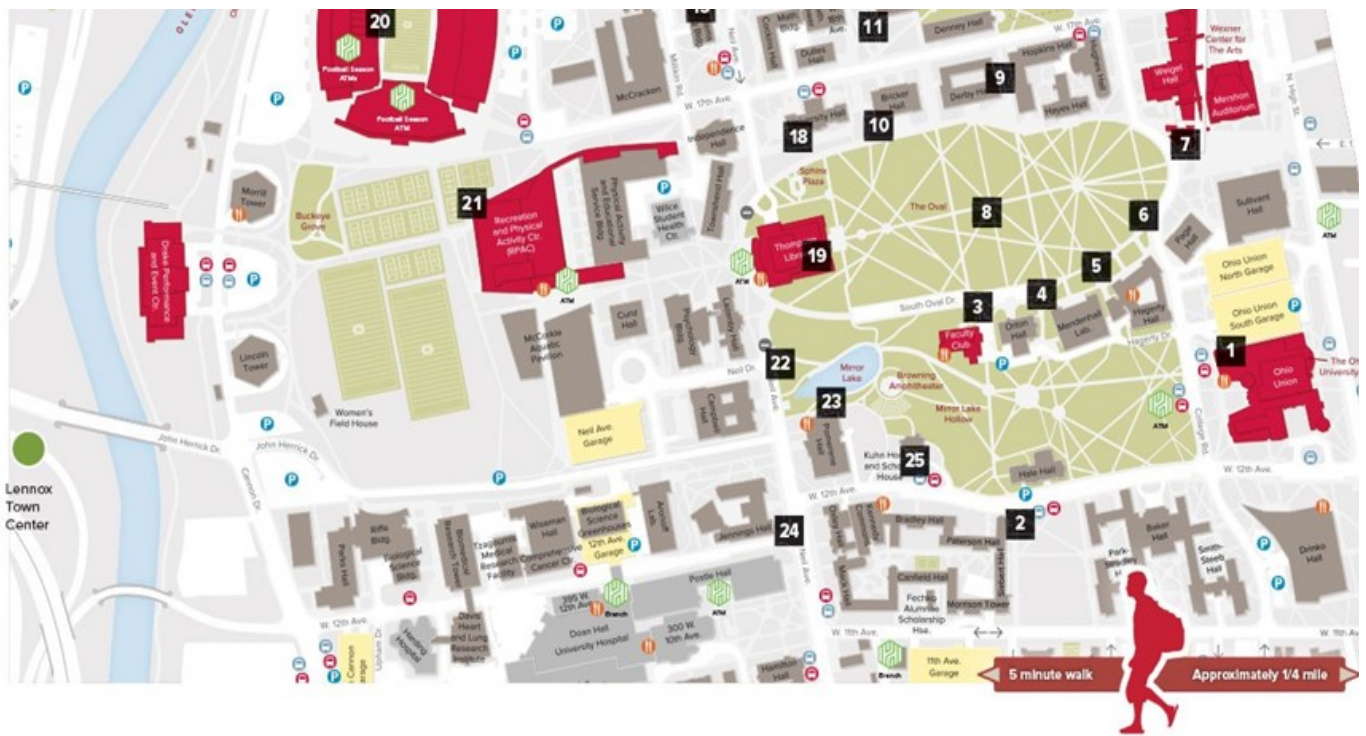
Led by Dr. Steven Dawson (Wittenberg), this teacher training will discuss the way sport was used as a political vehicle to promote the ideology of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) and the German Democratic Republic (GDR). Special attention will be given to how the government saw success in international sport as a way to place their society on the "world map." Finally, we will analyze the demise of each system and the effect this had on sport.

Parts of Bryan Fogel's film *Icarus* will be shown in conjunction with this workshop.

RSVP to metz.235@osu.edu by April 1st.



- **\$50 stipend for attending**
- **\$50 for completing lesson plan (optional)**
- **Contact hours certificate**
- **Lunch and parking tokens provided**



Bus Routes

Buses 22 or 31 will transport you between the hotel and conference. The buses usually run every 15-30 minutes. You can track the bus times through the Transit Tracker-Columbus app.

Directions from the Varsity Inn South to Mendenhall Laboratory

1445 Olentangy River Rd to 125 Oval Dr South Columbus, OH 43210

Bus 22—

Exit the Varsity Inn and turn left on Olentangy River Road and walk past the Bob Evans, Wendy's and Tim Hortons. Once you reach King Avenue, turn right and cross Olentangy River Road and walk across the river. The King Avenue and Olentangy Trail stop (Stop ID 7859) will be on the ride side of the street. Ride the bus for 5 stops (approximately 7 minutes) and get off at the West 12th Avenue—Hale Hall stop. Cross 12th Avenue and walk straight across the South Oval green space. Cross Hagerty Drive and walk between Orton Hall and Mendenhall Laboratory. Turn right to reach the front doors of Mendenhall Laboratory.

Bus 31—

Turn left on Olentangy River Road. Walk past the Bob Evans and Wendy's. Once you reach Tim Hortons, turn left, walking around the building to reach King Avenue. The stop will be half a block west from Tim Hortons on the same side of the street. The Stop ID is 3804. You will ride the bus for six stops (approximately 8 minutes) and get off at 12th Avenue—Hale Hall. Once you arrive at Hale Hall, cross 12th Avenue and walk across the South Oval green space. Cross Hagerty Drive and walk between Orton Hall and Mendenhall Laboratory. Turn right to reach the front doors of Mendenhall Laboratory.

Directions from Mendenhall Laboratory to the Varsity Inn South

125 Oval Dr South to 1445 Olentangy River Rd Columbus, OH 43210

Catch bus 22 and 31 from West 12th Avenue—Hale Hall, Stop ID 4445

When exiting Mendenhall Laboratory from the main entrance, walk behind the building and across the South Oval. Turn right and walk down 12th Ave to the stop at 221 W. 12th Avenue (Stop ID 4445).

Bus 22—

Exit the bus at W. 5th Avenue and Olentangy River Road, by the Speedway gas station. Walk around the Speedway, turning left on Olentangy River Road. The hotel will be a three minute walk north of the Speedway on the left side of Olentangy River Road.

Bus 31—

Exit the bus after five stops (approximately 6 minutes) at King Avenue and Olentangy River Road. Walk across King Ave., around the Tim Hortons and turn right onto Olentangy River Road. The hotel will be on the right after a three minute walk.

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