

FASPE Seminary
2018 Schedule and Syllabus
June 16 – June 29

Background Reading and Assignments:

- Pre-Trip Assignments #1: Vocabulary of Ethics Assignment
- Pre-Trip Assignments #2: Ethical Dilemmas in Practice (due Monday, June 11)
- Doris Bergen, *War & Genocide* (2009 or 2016), chapters 5-8, pp. 101-232.
- Kevin Spicer, “Catholics,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Holocaust Studies*, edited by Peter Hayes and John K. Roth (2011)
- Robert Ericksen, “Protestants,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Holocaust Studies*
- Martin Luther King, Jr. “Letter from a Birmingham Jail”
- Rabbi Leo Baeck, “A People Stands Before Its God,” in Eric Boehm, editor, *We Survived: Fourteen Histories of the Hidden and Hunted in Nazi Germany*

Suggested Background Reading: Primo Levi, *Survival in Auschwitz*.

Friday, June 15

Fellows in America depart U.S.

Saturday, June 16 (Berlin)

8:30	For those arriving at 7:00-8:00, board taxis at Tegel Airport
9:00	Drop luggage and have breakfast at Suite Novotel (Anhalter Strasse 2)
10:00	General introduction to Berlin at Hotel
10:30	Walk to Museum Island
11:00-3:00	Free-time to explore Berlin
3:00	Check-in at Suite Novotel (Anhalter Str. 2)
5:45	Gather in hotel lobby for walk to dinner (6:00)
6:00	Dinner at Taverna Athene (Tempelhofer Ufer 12)

Sunday, June 17 (Berlin)

7:30-8:30	Breakfast at hotel
8:30	Gather in hotel lobby for walk to meeting rooms
10:15-11:15	Welcome and introductions (German Resistance Memorial Center, Room IIA) by David Goldman and Thorin Tritter
11:20-12:00	Session 1 (Room IIA): Nazi Ethics by Thorsten Wagner (interdisciplinary)
12:00-12:45	Guided tour of Exhibition
12:45-1:30	Lunch (Room IIA)
1:30-3:00	Session 2 (Room IIA): Introduction to FASPE Seminary by Jim Ponet and Father Steven Bell
3:00-4:30	Session 3 (Room IIA): The Formation of a Religious Leaders: Profession versus Call
4:30-5:00	Session 4 (Room IIA): Introduction to Berlin
4:30-7:30	Walking Tour of Berlin
7:30-9:00	Dinner at Anand Restaurant (Albrechtstraße 12) with seating for Interdisciplinary Group Meeting #1: Introductions

Monday, June 18 (Berlin)

- 7:30-9:15 Breakfast at hotel
- 9:30 Depart for Topography of Terror
- 9:45-10:00 Introduction to Topography of Terror
- 10:00-11:00 Guided Tour of Topography of Terror
- 11:00-12:00 Free time in Topography of Terror
- 12:15 Depart for Lunch
- 12:30-130 Lunch at Sale e Tabacchi (Rudi-Dutschke-Straße 25)
- 1:30 Depart for seminar rooms at Relexa Hotel, Anhalter Strasse 8-9
- 1:45-5:00 **Session 5 (Relexa - Dusseldorf): Clergy and the Holocaust, Part I**
Required Readings:
 -[Stephen Waldron, "What Was a Nazi Church Service Like?"](#) Theology Corner Blog
 -Doris Bergen, "Nazi-Christians and Christian Nazis: The 'German Christian' Movement in National Socialist Germany" in Betty Rogers Rubenstein and Michael Berenbaum, editors, *What Kind of God? Essays in Honor of Richard L. Rubenstein*, Studies in the Shoah Volume XI
 -Doris Bergen, "German Military Chaplains in the Second World War and the Dilemmas of Legitimacy," in *The Sword of the Lord: Military Chaplains from the First to the Twenty-First Century* (2004), p. 165-186
 -Richard Rubenstein, "The Victims' Response: Bureaucratic Self-Destruction" in *The Cunning of History*
 -Robert Ericksen, "Consent and Collaboration," in *Complicity in the Holocaust: Churches and Universities in Nazi Germany* (2012), p. 94-138
 -Donald Nicholl, "The Catholic Church and the Nazis: 1" and "Catholics and the Nazis: 2," in *The Tablet*, July 23 and July 30, 1994
- 5:30-6:30 Dinner at La Fenetre
- 6:30-8:30 **Session 6 (Relexa - Berlin 2): Screening of Stanley Milgram's *Obedience* (Interdisciplinary)**
Required Reading: Christopher Browning, "Revisiting the Holocaust Perpetrators: Why Did They Kill?" (2011)
Optional Reading: Stephen Reicher, Alexander Haslam, Joanne Smith, "Working Toward the Experimenter: Reconceptualizing Obedience Within the Milgram Paradigm as Identification-Based Followership," *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 2012

Tuesday, June 19 (Berlin)

- 7:00-9:30 Breakfast at hotel
- 9:30- Free morning, lunch on your own [€13/\$15]
- 1:00-2:30 **Session 7 (Sophienhof, Sophienstraße 19): Interdisciplinary Small Group Meeting #2: Role Morality**
- 2:30-4:00 **Session 8 (Schwartzkopf-Stiftung, Sophienstraße 28/29): Meet with a Holocaust Survivor (Interdisciplinary)**
- 5:00-6:00 Dinner on your own [€21/\$25]

Wednesday, June 20 (Berlin)

- 7:00-8:30 Breakfast at hotel
- 8:30 Gather in lobby for walk to the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe
- 9:00-11:00 Visit to Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe
- 11:00 Depart for seminar rooms at Relexa Hotel, 8-9 Anhalter Strasse
- 11:30-1:30 **Session 9** (Relexa – Hamburg): **The Challenge of the Infinite: Ethical Dilemmas in Theory**
Required Readings:
 -Richard Cohen, “Emmanuel Levinas: Judaism and the Primacy of the Ethical,” *The Cambridge Companion to Modern Jewish Philosophy*
 -Richard Kearney, “Dialogue with Levinas,” in Richard Cohen, editor, *Face to Face with Levinas*
- 1:30-2:30 Lunch at Relexa Hotel
- 2:45-4:45 **Session 10** (Relexa - Hamburg): **Clergy and the Holocaust, Part II**
Required Readings:
 -Susannah Heschel, “Conclusion: Crucified or Resurrected,” *The Aryan Jesus: Christian Theologians and the Bible in Nazi Germany*
 -Doris Bergen, “The Bride of Christ at War,” *Twisted Cross: The German Christian Movement in the Third Reich* (1996)
- 5:00-7:30 **Session 11** (Relexa – Berlin 2): **Screen and discuss the film “Conspiracy”** or the German Wannsee Conference film from 1984
- 8:00 Dinner Sotto Sopra (Friedrichstrasse 209)

Thursday, June 21 (Berlin)

- 7:00-8:30 Breakfast at hotel
- 8:30 Board bus for Wannsee
- 10:00-11:00 Guided visit of “Euthanasia” Museum in Brandenburg an der Havel (Nicolaiplatz 28)
- 11:00-11:30 Self-guided time
- 11:30 Bus departs for Wannsee
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch at Wannsee
- 1:30-2:30 Introduction and guided visit at Wannsee
- 2:30-3:30 Self-guided time
- 3:30-5:00 **Session 12** (Wannsee): **Facing Evil** (interdisciplinary)
Required Readings:
 -Frederick Sontag, “Radical Theology: God and Evil,” in Betty Rogers Rubenstein and Michael Berenbaum, editors, *What Kind of God? Essays in Honor of Richard L. Rubenstein* (1995)
 -John Roth, “Theodicy of Protest,” in Stephen T. Davis, Editor, *Encountering Evil: Live Options in Theodicy* (2001)
- 5:00 Depart Wannsee
- 5:15-6:00 Visit to Grunewald Track 17
- 7:00 Dinner (Rundum, Stresemannstr. 37)

Friday, June 22 (Berlin-Krakow)

- 8:30 Board bus for airport
 9:30 Arrive at Schönefeld (SXF). Catch RyanAir Flight FR1711. Depart 11:05. Arrive KRK 12:20 PM
 12:45 Meet bus to drop bags at Campanile Hotel (ul. Św. Tomasza 34, +48 12 424 26 00)
 1:45 Depart for lunch (2:00) at Chimera (św. Anny 3)
 3:00-5:30 Walking tour introduction to Krakow
 6:00 Check-in at hotel
 6:15- Free evening, dinner on your own [45 PLN/\$15]. For those interested, there is an Orthodox Jewish service at the Remuh Synagogue (ul. Szeroka 40) at 7:30-8:30 pm.

Saturday, June 23 (Krakow)

- 7:30-9:00 Breakfast at hotel
 9:00-1:00 Free morning, lunch on your own [30 PLN/\$10]
 1:00-2:00 **Session 13** (ICC, Rynek Główny 25) **Introduction to Poland**
 2:00-3:30 **Session 14** (ICC): **Polish Identity in the 20th Century** – guest lecture by Prof. Zdzislaw Mach, Rector's Proxy for International Relations, Jagiellonian University
 4:00-6:00 **Session 15** (ICC): **Ethical Dilemmas in Practice**
Required Assignment: Ethical Dilemma Assignment, due on June 15
 6:30 Dinner at Sukiennice (Rynek Główny 3)

Sunday, June 24 (Krakow/Oświęcim)

- 7:00-12:15 Breakfast at hotel. Free morning. Checkout and store luggage by noon. Lunch on your own [30 PLN/\$10]
 12:30 Board bus for Oświęcim
 1:45 Arrive Oswiecim
 2:00-3:00 **Session 16** (Auschwitz Jewish Center): **Preparing for Auschwitz**
 3:15 Board bus for Auschwitz I
 3:30-6:30 Guided tour of Auschwitz
 6:30 Board bus for Hotel Galicja
 7:30-8:30 **Session 17** (Hotel): **Reflection** (interdisciplinary)
 8:30 Dinner at Hotel Galicja

Monday, June 25 (Oświęcim)

- 7:00-8:00 Breakfast at hotel
 8:00 Board bus for Auschwitz-Birkenau
 8:30-12:30 Guided tour of Auschwitz-Birkenau
 1:00 Board bus for Center for Dialogue and Prayer
 1:15-2:15 Lunch at Center for Dialogue and Prayer
 2:15-3:45 **Session 18** (Center for Dialogue and Prayer): **Where Was God?**
Required Reading: "To Marry a Baker," "Puff" and "The Grip of the Holy Letters," in Yaffa Eliach, *Hasidic Tales of the Holocaust*
 3:45 Board bus for optional time at Auschwitz I or Birkenau
 4:00-7:00 Optional time at Auschwitz I or Birkenau
 7:00 Board bus to hotel
 7:30-8:30 Dinner at Hotel Galicja

Tuesday, June 26 (Oświęcim/Krakow)

- 7:30-8:30 Breakfast at hotel
- 8:30-10:00 Optional visit to Jewish Cemetery, Auschwitz Jewish Center and sites in Oswiecim
- 10:15-11:45 **Session 19 (Hotel): Interdisciplinary Group Meeting #3: Memorial Project**
- 11:45-12:00 Check-out and store bags in lobby
- 12:00-1:30 **Session 20 (Hotel): End of Life Decision-Making** (interdisciplinary)
Required Reading: [Rachel Aviv, "Death as Treatment: When should people with a non-terminal illness be helped to die?" *The New Yorker*, June 22, 2015](#)
- 1:30-3:00 Lunch at Hotel Galicja
- 3:00 Board bus for Krakow
- 4:30 Check into Campanile Hotel (ul. Św. Tomasza 34; +48 12 424 26 00)
- 5:00-6:00 **Session 21 (ICC, 7a Garbarska, or Location of Your Choice): Interdisciplinary Group Meeting #4: Perpetrator Culture**
- 6:00- Dinner on your own. [45 PLN/\$15]

Wednesday, June 27 (Krakow)

- 8:00-9:00 Breakfast at hotel
- 9:00 Depart hotel for seminar rooms
- 9:30-11:30 **Session 22 (Collegium Maius 3rd Floor): What Leads Clergy to Deviate/Lose Their Way**
- 11:45-2:00 **Session 23 (Lunch Location of Your Choice): Interdisciplinary Group Meetings #5: Effecting Change: Whistleblowing, Leaking and Other Options** [34 PLN/\$10]
- 2:30-4:15 **Session 24 (Collegium Maius 3rd Floor): Strategies of Resistance in Theory and Practice**
 Readings:
 -Richard Gregg, "Further Political Aspects," *The Power of Non-Violence* (1934)
 -[Eric Martin, "At Standing Rock and Beyond, What Is to Be Done?," *New York Times*, Nov. 25, 2016](#)
- 4:30-5:30 **Session 25 (location of your choice): Meet for Memorial Projects**
- 6:00 Dinner Bosca Jola (ul. Szewska 10)

Thursday, June 28 (Krakow/USA)

- 7:00-9:00 Breakfast at hotel
- 9:00: Depart Hotel for seminar room
- 9:00-12:15 **Session 25 (Collegium Novum, Gołębia 24): Interdisciplinary Group Project Presentations**
- 12:30-2:00 Lunch
- 2:00-4:00 **Session 26 (7a Garbarska): What We Carry in Our Robes/Thinking about the Future**
Required Assignment: See separate description of assignment for final session
- 6:00 Gather in hotel lobby for group photographs and final dinner
- 6:30 Final dinner at Hawelka (Dorotheergasse 6)

Friday, June 29 (Krakow/USA)

Breakfast at hotel 6:30-10:00

Morning airline departures. Hotel checkout by noon. FASPE will provide taxis to the airport.