



**NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL WORLD HISTORY  
ASSOCIATION  
MID-ATLANTIC WORLD HISTORY ASSOCIATION  
BRYANT UNIVERSITY**

**GENOCIDE IN WORLD HISTORY  
SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM**

Bryant University, Smithfield, Rhode Island  
October 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015



Greetings!

On behalf of Bryant University, we would like to extend a warm welcome to members of the New England World History Association (NERWHA) and the

Mid-Atlantic World History Association (MAWHA) as you gather for your 2015 Fall Symposium, “Genocide in World History.” We are honored to serve as the local host school for this Symposium. We are also deeply grateful to the Honorable Chris Dodd for his keynote remarks.

Over the next two days, scholars from nine different countries will convene to explore a variety of topics including Theories and Models of Genocide; Genocide and Colonialism; Holocaust Perpetrators and Victims; The Holocaust in Historical and Legal Perspective; Resistance, Rescue, and Resilience in Response to Genocide; and Can Genocides Be Prevented? These topics and the questions they pose are perhaps among the most crucial of our time. To quote the website of the Holocaust Memorial Museum, “As we learn more about the risk factors, warning signs, and triggering events that have led to [genocide] in the past, we are also learning ways to prevent it in the future.”

What you do is important and Bryant University is thrilled to play a role in this year’s Symposium. We wish you a successful conference and a memorable stay in the Ocean State. May tonight and tomorrow be thought-provoking, enriching, and enjoyable.

Best regards,

Ronald K. Machtley,  
President  
Bryant University

Glenn M. Sulmasy,  
Provost  
Bryant University

## **About Bryant University**

This fall marks the start of Bryant’s 153<sup>rd</sup> academic year. Our mission is to educate and inspire students to discover their passion, become innovative leaders with character, and make a difference around the world.

Uniquely dedicated to the integration of business and the liberal arts, Bryant is committed to the creation of an educational experience which blends knowledge and practice. Our undergraduates have nearly 100 interdisciplinary courses of study from which to choose, each designed to help them develop the cognitive, affective, and behavioral skills essential to making sense of a rapidly changing world and their place in it. Bryant is also recognized as a leader in international education, providing students with abundant opportunities to develop a global perspective. Nearly 50% of our undergraduates study in more than 50 countries around the world. In addition to its 3400+ undergraduates, Bryant has nearly 150 graduate students working on advanced degrees and certificates of graduate studies the Graduate School of Business, the College of Arts and Sciences, and the School of Health Sciences.

Clearly, the Bryant experience is delivering an exceptional education that allows our graduates to succeed at enviable rates. Bryant’s academic programs consistently earn top rankings among institutions such as Harvard, Stanford, and Brown.

*U.S. News & World Report* ranks Bryant 11 in our category and, according to *College Factual*, Bryant is ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> on a list of “up-and-coming” universities . Our Applied Math program was recently ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation, and our International Business program is ranked 16<sup>th</sup>. Over 98% percent of the class of 2014 were employed or enrolled in graduate school within six months of graduation. The average first-year salary for 2014 graduates of the College of Business and College of Arts and Sciences was \$53,500.

The Honorable Ronald K. Machtley became Bryant’s president in 1996. Under his leadership, Bryant has experienced unprecedented growth throughout the organization. Machtley’s pivotal contributions in areas including academic excellence, enrollment, campus expansion and technology have established an exceptional foundation for continued success. In the next year alone, we will add more the 250,000 square-feet of academic and athletic facilities both at the Smithfield campus and in Zhuhai, China, where our inaugural Bryant Zhuhai class of 160 students began its studies in September. And, since moving to Division I, Bryant’s Bulldog student-athletes have proven that we can compete against the nation’s top champions. We have garnered national recognition for the strong academic and athletic performances of our student-athletes, earning more than 350 victories and receiving the NEC Commissioner’s Cup for both of the last two years.

**Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**Program (Open to the Public)**

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall

**Welcoming Remarks**

Glenn M. Sulmasy  
Provost, Bryant University

**Introduction for the Honorable Christopher J. Dodd**

Ronald K. Machtley  
President, Bryant University

**Keynote Address**

The Honorable Christopher J. Dodd  
Former Senator from Connecticut (1981-2011)  
“Letters from Nuremberg: My Father’s Narrative of a Quest for Justice”  
Book signing to follow.

**Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**Program (Open to Registered Participants)**  
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**8:00 AM - 8:30 AM Registration and Continental Breakfast**  
George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall  
(Registration continues until 3:30 PM.)

**8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Welcome Remarks**  
George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall

Master of Ceremonies  
Professor Michael Bryant  
Bryant University

Michele Louro,  
President, New England Regional World History Association

**9:15 AM - 10:45 AM SESSION A**  
Rooms 258, 259, 260, 267 in the Unistructure

**10:45 AM -11:00 AM BREAK**  
Rotunda in the Unistructure

**11:00 AM -12:30 PM SESSION B**  
Rooms 258, 261, 267 in the Unistructure

**Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**Program**

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**12:30 PM -1:45 PM LUNCH**

George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall  
Hosted by Bryant University

**1:45 PM -3:15 PM SESSION C**

Rooms 258, 259, 267 in the Unistructure

**3:15 PM - 3:30 PM BREAK**

Rotunda in the Unistructure

**3:30 PM - 4:15 PM SESSION D**

Stepan Grand Hall

**4:15 PM - 5:00 PM NERWHA BUSINESS MEETING and FREE RAFFLE**

George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall

## Saturday Sessions

### **A-1 Bodies of Evidence: Mass Graves, Forensics, and Witnessing in the Aftermath of Genocide**

- **Unistrucre 267**
- **Chair, Jeffrey S. Ravel, Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Christopher Mauriello, Salem State University

“Forced Confrontation: U.S. Discovery of Mass Atrocities and German Collective Guilt”

Tommy O’Connell, Signal Program on Human Security and Technology, Harvard Humanitarian Initiative

“Revealing Secrets: Satellite Imagery and Mass Graves”

Stephenie Young, Salem State University

“Forensic Topographies: Photography, Aesthetics, and the Post-Yugoslav Document”

### **A-2 Nationalism, National Identities, and Genocide**

- **Unistrucre 258**
- **Chair, Lincoln Paine, Independent Scholar**

Whitney Howarth, Plymouth State University

“Does Nationalism Demand Slaughter?”

Michael Verney, University of New Hampshire

“‘Marked in Blood’: The United States Navy and Indigenous Violence in the Great South Seas, 1830-1842”

## Saturday Sessions

Regina Kazulina, Northeastern University

“Local Women's Involvement in the Holocaust in Soviet Ukraine

### **A-3 Genocide Reporting and Memory**

- **Unistrucre 259**
- **Chair, Kelly McFall, Newman University**

Norah Schneider, Salve Regina University

“Watching from Afar: The *Sentinel*, An Anglo-Jewish American Weekly, Covers the Holocaust, 1942-1945”

Sally Scott-Sabo, Stony Brook University

“Reading the Remains of Guatemala and Spain’s Civil Wars: Glimpses into a Resurfacing Past and Glimmers of Hope amidst Tragedy, Ambiguity, and Impunity”

David Cutler, Brimmer and May School

“The Comparative Usefulness of Written Survivor Testimony for the Historian”

#### **A-4 Theories and Models of Genocide**

- **Unistucture 260**
- **Chair, Ane Lintvedt, McDonogh School**

Abram de Swaan, Queen Wilhelmina Professor, Columbia University

“Genocidal Perpetrators: How ‘Ordinary’ Are They?”

Zahra Kesmati, Allameh Tabatabai University, Tehran, Iran

“ISIS: Forced Marriage as a Mode of Genocide in Iraq and Syria”

### **Saturday Sessions**

#### **B-1 Workshop: Using Role-Immersion Games to Help Students Understand Issues of Genocide and Humanitarian Intervention**

- **Unistucture 267**
- **Facilitator, Kelly McFall, Newman University**

#### **B-2 Atrocities and Genocide in Armenia and Nigeria**

- **Unistucture 258**
- **Chair, David Kalivas, Middlesex Community College**

Asya Darbinyan, Clark University

“Russian Response to the Armenian Genocide: Humanitarianism vs. War Politics”

Victor O. Ukaogo, Federal University, Nigeria

“Hate Speech, Ethnicity, and Wanton Killing in Nigeria: Ramifications of a Religion-Genocide Nexus for National Peace”

#### **B-3 The Holocaust in Historical and Legal Perspective**

- **Unistucture 261**



- **Chair, Michael Bryant, Bryant University**

Jason Tingler, Clark University

“The Destruction of Chelm: Understanding Violence and the Holocaust in Eastern Europe”

Jonathan Bush, Columbia Law School

"Lemkin and Nuremberg: How Prosecutors and Judges in the First International Trials Used Lemkin's Proposals"

## **Saturday Sessions**

Adi Sherzer, Ben Gurion University of the Negev

“The Holocaust as a Component of the National Narrative”

### **LUNCH**

- George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall

### **C-1 Resistance, Rescue, and Resilience in Response to Genocide**

- **Unistrucre 267**
- **Chair, Noe Pliego Campos, University of North Carolina at Charlotte**

John Cox, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

“Resistance to Genocide: Toward a Comparative Understanding”

Noe Pliego Campos, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

“Rescue of Jews—and Rejection of the Jewish Presence—in Mexico, 1934-1946”

Louise Clark, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

“New Approaches to Teaching about Genocide and Human Rights”

### **C-2 Can Genocides Be Prevented?**

- **Unistrucre 259**
- **Chair, James Diskant, John D. O’Bryant, School of Mathematics and Science**

## **Saturday Sessions**

Antonella Regueiro, Nova Southeastern University

“Redefining Safety: An Historical Analysis of the Dangers of Safe Havens in Genocidal States”

Kayla Nomina, University of Chicago

“Patterns of the Past: Determining Common Causal Agents of Genocide to Predict and Prevent Future Genocides”

Ani Kalayjian, Columbia University and Meaningfulworld

“Preventing Genocide: The Psychosocial and Eco-Spiritual Impact of Genocide: Starting from the Post-Ottoman Turkish Genocide of Armenians and Other Christian Minorities to Today”

### **C-3 Genocide and Colonialism**

- **Unistrukture 258**
- **Chair, Thomas Johnson, University of Massachusetts, Boston and Bentley University**

Mohamed Adhikari, University of Cape Town and International Network of Genocide Scholars

“Civilian-driven Settler Colonial Genocides of Hunter-gatherer Peoples in Global Perspective”

David Northrup, Boston College

“Genocide in Colonial Africa: Debating German Southwest Africa and the Congo Free State”

## **Saturday Sessions**

### **D-1 Roundtable “Genocide in World History”**

- **Bello Grand Hall**
- **Alfred J. Andrea, Michael Bryant, John Cox, Christopher Mauriello**

### **NERWHA BUSINESS MEETING AND RAFFLE**

- **George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology Stepan Grand Hall**



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