

Exploring Intersecting Legacies: The Holocaust, Antisemitism and Racism

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Who Should Attend

Middle and High School Teachers; College Faculty; Educators from all disciplines (especially Social Studies, History, and English/Language Arts); Those who seek to deepen their knowledge, confidence, and skills for teaching challenging content

Benefits of Participation

- Interactive strategies for teaching the Holocaust and human rights to young adults
- Seminar sessions on overlapping histories of systemic racism in the US and Nazi Germany
- Lesson-building workshop and peer-review
- Books and other resource materials
- Professional development hours available
- Experiential visits to local sites with local experts, including the Jewish Museum of Maryland, Black/Jewish Forum of Baltimore, Maryland Lynching Memorial Project, Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History & Culture, and Laurel Cemetery Memorial Project

Seminar Highlights

This seminar will explore the intersections of Holocaust education, racism, and antisemitism in Baltimore. Using the Holocaust as a touchstone, participants will engage with historic and modern urban issues such as the historical roots of antisemitism, scientific racism, housing segregation, educational inequality, racial violence, forms of community activism, and connecting local histories and Holocaust studies in the classroom.

Seminar Facilitators

Julia Berg is a National Board Certified educator with 14 years of experience teaching middle school social studies and English in Maryland. She has developed social studies curriculum for grades 3-7, led professional development workshops from the school level to the national level, and mentors aspiring educators in their student teaching experiences. She has recently become a published content writer for a new middle school world history textbook. Julia is also a passionate amateur archaeologist, working to promote shared ownership of our collective past and expand the historical discourse to include marginalized voices.

Dr. Katherine Arner is an educator with 16 years of experience teaching history in the high school and college classroom. She has designed history curriculum for grades 9-12 and led cross-disciplinary professional development workshops for independent progressive school educators. In 2024, she was selected to participate in the Echoes and Reflections Advanced Seminar Journey through Poland. As a TOLI-trained educator, Dr. Arner is particularly passionate about getting students and educators to think about the connections between the Holocaust and social justice issues in their immediate worlds. At the Park School of Baltimore, she teaches The Holocaust: History and Memory, which culminates in an annual student-led community teach-in.

About TOLI Seminars

Offered at no cost to participants, TOLI provides inquiry-based professional development seminars for educators to teach about the Holocaust, genocide, and human rights.

Participants become part of TOLI's national learning community and are provided with year-round mentoring, programs, and resources.



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