

**Session III: March 19**

**“Life after Liberation in Countries behind the Iron Curtain”**

**Faculty: Professor Nathaniel Knight**

Professor Nathaniel Knight is Associate Professor and Chair of the History Department at Seton Hall University. He also serves as Director of the Russian and East European Studies Program at Seton Hall where he teaches courses on “Imperial Russia” and “Twentieth Century Russia.” A graduate of Columbia University’s prestigious graduate program in Russian History, Dr. Knight has lived and conducted research in both the Soviet Union and post-Soviet Russia.

**Witnesses: Eva Vogel and Mark Scher**

Eva Vogel, Ph.D. born in Czechoslovakia in 1946 and Mark Scher, Esq., born in Poland, also in 1946 are both children of Holocaust survivors and lived behind the Iron Curtain until 1969 when they immigrated to the United States.



Photo courtesy of Eva Vogel’s mother  
These photos of her mother, Ruth Hermanstadt, were taken upon her arrival at Auschwitz in 1942

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**Drew University  
Center for  
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presents  
its Annual Study Seminar**

**After Liberation:  
The First Five Years,  
1945-1950**

**February 26, 2015,  
March 5, 2015, and  
March 19, 2015  
4-6 p.m.**

**Dorothy Young Center for the Arts  
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**After Liberation:  
The First Five Years, 1945-1950**

This three-part study seminar is inspired by the liberation of the Nazi death and concentration camp at Auschwitz on January 27, 1945 by Soviet forces and the subsequent liberation of other camps by the Allies in the following months. The first session of the study seminar will explore the experience of liberation—for survivors, liberators, and bystanders. In our second session, we will examine the Displaced Persons camps that were established in the parts of Western Europe occupied by American and British Armed Forces. And the third session will look at life after liberation in Eastern European countries behind the Iron Curtain. Testimony from witnesses and film excerpts will augment the historical overviews presented in each session.



Photo taken in April 1945, shortly after the liberation of Flossenburg Concentration Camp; given to the Drew University Center for Holocaust/Genocide Center by Victor L. Wegard in 1994. A captain in the U.S. Army division which helped liberate Flossenburg, Wegard also served as Chief Warrant Officer for War Crimes Investigating Team #6832, convened after liberation to investigate war crimes, atrocities and crimes against humanity in the Dachau Concentration camp system which included Flossenburg.

**Session I: February 26, 2015  
“Liberation, 1945”**

**Faculty: Jacqueline Sutton**

Ms. Sutton is an award winning Social Studies teacher at High Point Regional High School in Sussex County, NJ. She earned a Master of Letters from Drew University with a concentration in Holocaust Studies. A recipient of both the NJ Governor’s Teaching Award and the Axelrod Award for her work in Holocaust education, Ms. Sutton has conducted workshops about teaching the Holocaust and other genocides at various New Jersey conferences and universities.



Photo is courtesy of Mordechai Peltz, camp leader at Hasenhacke Displaced Person Camp



Classroom in Ebelsberg, Austria DP Camp 1947-1948  
Courtesy of Frances Malkin (girl kneeling center)

**Session II: March 5, 2015  
“The Displaced Person Camp Experience”**

**Faculty: Lindsay Warren**

Ms. Warren is a Social Studies teacher at Hunterdon Central Regional High School in Flemington, NJ where she teaches “Holocaust and Human Behavior,” among other courses. She also advises the Holocaust Overseas Study Tour and Polish Exchange Program at the high school. She has participated in the Master Teacher Institute in Holocaust Education at Rutgers University. Her current research at Drew University’s Doctor of Letters program is on “The Role of Theater at the Bergen-Belsen Displaced Persons Camp.”

**Witness: Fran Malkin**

A child survivor of the Holocaust, Fran Malkin, was hidden for 20 months in a Polish woman’s barn during the war years, along with 15 other Jews. After liberation, her family moved west through Poland, along with other survivors. The journey continued by walking the 13 kilometers from Hungary into an Austrian Displaced Person (DP) camp. For the next three years they lived in Rantzhofen DP camp in Braunau, Austria. Then they moved to the Ebelsberg DP camp in Austria. Arriving in the United States in 1949. Ms. Malkin will share memories of her experiences.