## Program

#### 13:30 -14:30

Lecture and discussion

"Always the East, Never the West Wing? From Eleanore Roosevelt to Michelle Obama - First Ladies and Their Social and Feminist Agenda" Martina Kohl, U.S. Embassy

## 14:30 -15:30

Lecture and discussion

"Internationalization and Diversification: Providing Educational Opportunities for Minority Students. A Personal Approach" Noaquia Callahan, Fulbright Fellow, Freie Universität Berlin

## 15:30 -16:00

Wrap-up & closing remarks
Prof. Dr. Gabriele Linke



# Registration

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Registration closes on 17 March 2017.

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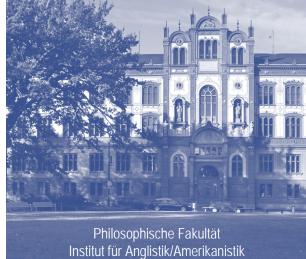
What's the Matter, U.S.A.?
A Discussion of Social,
Political and Cultural
Developments

Date: Friday, 24 March 2017

Time: 09:30 – 16:00 Place: Internationales

Begegnungszentrum

Rostock e.V. Bergstr. 7a 18057 Rostock



Faculty

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#### 9:30 - 9:45

Welcome remarks

Prof. Dr. Gabriele Linke, Rostock University

Dr. Susanne Wiedemann, U.S. Consulate General Hamburg

#### 9:45 -10:45

Lecture and discussion

"A New Administration in the White House: A First

Assessment of the Trump Agenda"

David McCuan, Sonoma State University

## Coffee break

# 11:15-12:15

Lecture and discussion

"Flyover Country: The Cultures of the U.S. Working

Class and Their Roles in the 2016 Election"

Christianna Stavroudis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-

Universität Bonn

## Lunch break

## Dr. David McCuan

joined the faculty of Sonoma State University in the fall of 2003. His doctorate was granted from the University of California - Riverside in 2002. He does research in two areas – state and local elections; and the study of terrorism. His teaching responsibilities include courses in both international and national politics, international security and terrorism, state and local politics, campaigns and elections, and political behavior. Dr. McCuan was a Fulbright Teaching Scholar in 2009-2010, working in the Department of International Relations and European Studies, Masaryk University, Czech Republic, where he taught courses in U.S. National Security Policy, Terrorism, and U.S. Foreign Policy.

## Christianna Stavroudis

is an American instructor in the Department of English, American and Celtic Studies at the University of Bonn. Until the summer of 2015, Ms. Stavroudis taught as a lecturer in English language and linguistics at the Institute for British and North American Studies at the University of Greifswald. She holds a B.A. in Applied Linguistics from the University of Maryland-Baltimore County (USA) and an M.Sc. in Clinical Linguistics from the University of Potsdam. She has taught a variety of interdisciplinary language courses and seminars, including a course for first-semester students entitled Reading American Politics: An Intercultural Perspective, which focuses on understanding U.S. government and U.S. domestic, foreign, and social issues relevant for presidential elections. She recently completed her dissertation within the field of second language acquisition.

## Noaquia Callahan

is a U.S. Fulbright Germanistic Society of America Fellow (2016-17) at the John F. Kennedy Institute at the Free University Berlin. She is a PhD Candidate in the Department of History at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa, completing her dissertation on African American feminist transnational activism during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Callahan is also the creator of the Diversity International Scholarship Academy, a peer-mentorship program assisting underrepresented students applying for prestigious study abroad scholarships.

#### Dr. Martina Kohl

is a Cultural Affairs Specialist at the U.S. Embassy in Berlin, Germany, where she coordinates a Germanywide speaker as well as the curriculum development program in American Studies. She holds an M.A. and a Dr. phil. in American Studies, English Studies and History from Johannes-Gutenberg University Mainz. Dr. Kohl studied at Florida Southern College (1980-81) and taught and conducted research at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor (1985-90). In 2013, she received the Hans Eberhard Piepho Prize for the U.S. Embassy School Election Project and the "Ausgezeichnete Orte – Land der Ideen" Award for the Going Green - Education for Sustainability Project in 2015. Dr. Kohl regularly teaches in the American Studies program at Humboldt University Berlin and serves as Deputy Executive Editor of the American Studies Journal - http://asjournal.org