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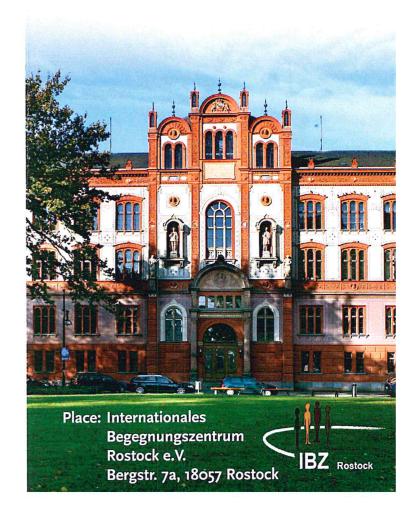




## Teach About the USA

# Annual Rostock Teacher Seminar 2020

Friday, 20 March 2020 9:00 – 16:00



## Program

#### 9:00 Welcome remarks

Prof. Dr. Gabriele Linke, Rostock University
Darion Akins, U.S. Consul General, Hamburg

LECTURE \_

#### 9:30 -11:00 After the Berlin Wall: Memory, the Making of the New Germany and the Role of the United States of America

**Dr. Hope Harrison,** Associate Professor of History and International Affairs Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University

Coffee Break

WORKSHOP.

#### 11:30 -13:00

"Teach About US - Innovative Ways of Teaching English: The Election Project 2020"

Joannis Kaliampos, Program Manager, Teach About US Leuphana University Lüneburg

Lunch

READING & DISCUSSION

#### 14:00 -15:30 The Power of Storytelling

- Confronting Hate and Anti-Semitism Stimme und Atem. Out of Breath, Out of Mind (PalmArt Press 2019)

Peter Wortsman, Writer, Translator

Wrap-Up & Closing Remarks

15:45 End of program

### **Faculty**

#### Dr. Hope Harrison

is Associate Professor of History and International Affairs, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University. She is a Senior Fellow with the History and Public Policy Program as well as the Cold War International History Project at the Wilson Center in Washington, DC. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the American Council on Germany, the American Institute for Contemporary Germany Studies, and the Atlantik Brücke. Her most recent publication in the U.S. is After the Berlin Wall: Memory, the Making of the New Germany and the Role of the United States of America (Sept. 2019).

Dr. Harrison received her bachelor's degree in Social Studies from Harvard University and her master's and doctorate degrees in Political Science from Columbia University, including a Certificate from the Harriman Institute. She taught at Brandeis University and Lafayette College. Dr. Harrison has held research fellowships at the American Academy in Berlin, the Norwegian Nobel Institute in Oslo, the Kennan Institute at the Wilson Center, the Davis Center and the Belfer Center at Harvard University, the Institute of Europe in Moscow, the Center for Contemporary History in Potsdam, Germany, and the Free University of Berlin. She had a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellowship (1999) to work in the US government serving in the White House at the National Security Council in the Clinton and Bush Administrations (2000-20010. She was a Fulbright Fellow in Berlin at the German Federal Foundation for Reappraising the East German Communist Past (2009-10) and a Wilson Center Fellow in Washington, DC. (2013-14). Dr. Harrison has been a featured expert on CNN, C-SPAN, the BBC, the History Channel, Deutschlandradio, Deutschlandfunk, Spiegel-TV, Voice of America (in Russia), NTV (Russia), and elsewhere. In Berlin, she is a member of the Berlin Wall Memorial Association, the international advisory board of the Allied Museum, and the governing board of the Cold War Center Museum in Berlin.

#### Joannis Kaliampos

is a researcher in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) at Leuphana University Lüneburg. He is the educational project manager and teacher trainer for the project *Teach About US*. He received a Staatsexamen degree in English and History (Gymnasium) from Justus Liebig University Gießen. He has held teaching positions at a secondary school (Lahntalschule Lahnau), in the German program of the University of Arkansas – Fort Smith (Fulbright scholarship), and as writing consultant for international students (Justus Liebig University Gießen). Joannis Kaliampos is currently completing a PhD on learner task perceptions in blended learning EFL projects.

#### Peter Wortsman

is the author of novels, books of short fiction, plays, and travel memoirs. He is also a literary translator from German into English. He was a Fulbright Fellow in 1973, a Thomas J. Watson Foundation Fellow in 1974, and a Holtzbrinck Fellow at the American Academy in Berlin in 2010. His writing has been honored with the 1985 Beard's Fund Short Story Award, the 2008 Gertje Potash-Suhr Prosapreis of the Society for Contemporary American Literature in German, the 2012 Gold Grand Prize for Best Travel Story of the Year in the Solas Awards Competition, and a 2014 Independent Publishers Book Award (IPPY). His travel reflections were selected five years in a row, 2008-2012, and again in 2016, for inclusion in The Best Travel Writing. His short fiction and essays have appeared, in German translation, in Manuskripte, Schreibheft, Cicero, the anthology AmLit: Neue Literatur aus den USA, published by the Druckhaus Galrev, Berlin, and in Die Welt and Die Zeit.

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