

Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention

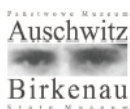
Latin American Network Edition, June 2017

Goals of the Seminar:

- (1) To introduce participants to the concepts of genocide and other atrocity crimes, and the processes by which genocide occurs.
- (2) To empower participants with the practical competencies (foundational knowledge and skills) necessary to prevent genocide from ever taking place, prevent further atrocities once genocide has begun, and prevent future atrocities once a society has begun to rebuild after genocide.
- (3) To examine critically and reinforce the emergent norm of the Responsibility to Protect, recognizing that sovereignty is not a privilege but a responsibility.
- (4) To foster intercultural dialogue in an open and respectful exchange between individuals with different cultural backgrounds or worldviews with the aim of developing a deeper understanding of diverse perspectives and practices, with a particular focus on the role played by discrimination and “otherness” in fostering inequality.
- (5) To develop a regional network of state officials who will take action to prevent genocide and other atrocity crimes.

Overview of the Seminar

This seminar is grounded in the belief that preventing genocide and other atrocity crimes is an achievable goal. That is, there are ways to recognize their signs and symptoms, and viable options to prevent them at every turn if we are committed and prepared. Buttressed by an international teaching team of scholars and activists, this seminar aims to provide a program for participants that, literally, could not be experienced anywhere else in the world. On Days 1-2, the seminar follows the “situated learning” model of education by being grounded in the “**power of place**” at Auschwitz, the most notorious of the Nazi extermination camps. Days 3-5 are structured around three stages in a continuum of prevention strategies – primary, secondary, and tertiary. Primary prevention is **upstream prevention**; the “before” analysis of the longer-term governance, historical, economic, and societal factors that leave a country at risk for



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genocide and other mass atrocities and the inoculation avenues open to mitigating those risk factors. Secondary prevention is **midstream prevention**; the immediate, real-time relief efforts “during” the crisis – political, economic, legal, and military – that are direct crisis management tactics to slow, limit, or halt the mass violence. Finally, tertiary prevention is **downstream prevention**; the “after” efforts to foster resiliency by dealing with the acute long-term consequences of mass violence through pursuits of justice, truth, and memory to help stabilize, heal, and rehabilitate a post-genocide society. Day 6 of the seminar concludes by putting **genocide and atrocity crimes prevention in action** with a capstone simulation experience allowing participants to apply the practical competencies (knowledge and skills) acquired over the course of the seminar.

Most teaching modules will include one central, essential article or book chapter to be read by the participants prior to that particular module. Case studies and other active learning assignments will allow participants to enhance their literacy in the field by engaging first-hand with the learning resources and presentation material. The seminar will follow the Chatham House Rule in which participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.

Summary of the Program

Monday, June 5 – Introductions and Context

- Official Opening of the Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention
- Introduction to the Concepts of Genocide, Atrocity Crimes, and Prevention
- The Holocaust: The Rise of Nazism (1933-1939)
- Guided Study Visit: Auschwitz I

Tuesday, June 6 – Process and Place

- The Holocaust: The Final Solution as Process (1939-1945)
- Between Memory, Commemoration, and the Authentic Site: Auschwitz as a Reference Point for Contemporary Societies
- Background Briefing: Auschwitz II-Birkenau
- Introduction to the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)
- Guided Study Visit: Auschwitz II-Birkenau
- Informal Group Debriefing of Auschwitz Experience

Wednesday, June 7 - Upstream Prevention: Frameworks for Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention

- Historical Context: Civil-Military Relations in Latin America
- The Role of the Inter-American Human Rights System in Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention
- Early-Warning and Opportunities for the Prevention of Genocide and Other Atrocity Crimes
- The Responsibility to Protect

Thursday, June 8 – Midstream Prevention: Responding to Genocide, War Crimes, Ethnic Cleansing, and Crimes Against Humanity

- Becoming Evil: How Ordinary People Commit Genocide and Mass Killing
- Exercise: The Role of Identity in Genocide and Mass Atrocity
- Exercise: Non-Discrimination as a Prevention Tool
- Gender-Based Violence as a Risk Factor in Genocide and Atrocity Crimes
- Response Tools for Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention

Friday, June 9 – Midstream Prevention: Responding to Genocide, War Crimes, Ethnic Cleansing, and Crimes Against Humanity

- Introduction to Transitional Justice from an Atrocity Prevention Perspective
- Case Studies of Transitional Justice in Latin America
- Retributive Justice: Accountability for Plan Condor Transnational Crimes
- The Role of Memory and Memorialization in Transitional Justice

Saturday, June 10 – Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention in Action

- Capstone Simulation
- Guided Tours in Krakow
- Closing Dinner and Certificate Distribution

Sunday, June 4

All Day Krakow Airport Pick-Ups – Morning and Afternoon

15:00 Late Lunch at Dialogue Centre
1. M. Kolbego St.
32-602 Oświęcim
<http://www.cdim.pl/en>

20:00 Dinner and Meet-and-Greet at the Dialogue Centre

Monday, June 5 – Introductions and Context

7:00 Breakfast at the Dialogue Centre

8:00 Bus Departs Dialogue Centre for Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
Conference Room (Block 12)

8:30-9:00 Official Opening of Raphael Lemkin Seminar for Genocide Prevention

- **Ms. Eugenia Carbone**, Director of Latin American Programs, Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation (AIPR)
- **Dr. Tibi Galis**, Executive Director, AIPR
- **Mr. Andrzej Kacorzuk**, Deputy Director for Education, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
- Statement from the United Nations (UN) Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect
- **Dr. James Waller**, Cohen Professor of Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Keene State College and Director of Academic Programs, AIPR

9:00-10:30 Introduction to the Concepts of Genocide, Atrocity Crimes, and Prevention

Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR

Readings: (a) James Waller, “Transcending Fratricide: The Politics of Naming,” from Srda Pavlovic and Marko Zivkovic (eds.), *Transcending Fratricide: Political Mythologies, Reconciliations, and the Uncertain Future in the Former Yugoslavia* (Germany: Nomos, 2013), pp. 31-49 and (b) “Convencion para la Prevencion y la Sancion del Delito de Genocidio” (1951).

Handout: Definitions of Genocide and Mass Atrocity Crimes

Take Home Resource: James Waller, *Confronting Evil: Engaging Our Responsibility to Prevent Genocide* (2016), Chapters 1-3.

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:15 The Holocaust: The Rise of Nazism (1933-1939)
Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR

Reading: "Panorama Historico," from Donald Niewyk and Francis Nicosia, *The Columbia Guide to the Holocaust* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2000), pp. 1-9.

Handout: Nazi Party Platform (1920)

12:30-13:30 Lunch Break – Olecki Hotel

13:45-16:30 Guided Study Visit of Auschwitz I (smaller groups)
Guides from Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
Reading: "El testimonio de Rudolf Hoess," pp. 13-45.

16:45 Bus Returns to Dialogue Centre

18:30 Bus Departs Dialogue Centre for Stara Poczta Restaurant

19:00 Official Opening Dinner at Stara Poczta Restaurant in Galicja Hotel
Remarks: Introduction to the Latin American Network for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention, Ms. Eugenia Carbone, AIPR

Tuesday, June 6 – Process and Place

7:00 Breakfast at the Dialogue Centre

8:00 Bus Departs Dialogue Centre for Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
Conference Room (Block 12)

8:30-10:00 The Holocaust: The Final Solution as Process (1939-1945)
Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR
Reading: "Panorama Historico," from Donald Niewyk and Francis Nicosia, *The Columbia Guide to the Holocaust*, pp. 10-42.

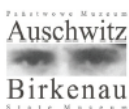
10:00-10:15 Coffee Break



- 10:15-11:30 Between Memory, Commemoration and the Authentic Site: Auschwitz as a Reference Point for Contemporary Societies
Ms. Alicja Bialecka, Representative for the New Main Exhibition, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
Readings: (a) *Auschwitz-Birkenau: Historia y Presente* and (b) "Publications and E-Learning."
- 11:30-12:00 Background Briefing: Auschwitz II-Birkenau
Dr. Piotr Setkiewicz, Chief Historian, Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
- 12:00-12:30 Introduction to the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)
Mr. Clint Curle, Chair of IHRA's Committee on Holocaust, Genocides and Crimes against Humanity
- 12:30 Bus Returns to Dialogue Centre
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch Break – Dialogue Centre
- 14:00 Bus Departs from Dialogue Centre to Auschwitz II-Birkenau
- 14:15-17:15 Guided Study Visit of Auschwitz II-Birkenau (smaller groups)
Guides from Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum
Reading: Primo Levi's *En el Fondo*, pp. 23-39.
- 17:30 Bus Returns to Dialogue Centre
- 18:00 Dinner – Dialogue Centre
- 19:00 Informal Group Debriefing of Auschwitz Experience
Dialogue Centre – 3rd Floor Meeting Room
Facilitators: Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR and Ms. Eugenia Carbone, AIPR

Wednesday, June 7 – Upstream Prevention: Frameworks for Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention

- 7:30 Breakfast – Dialogue Centre
- 8:30-8:45 Introduction to the Mission and Work of the Centre for Dialogue and Prayer
Father Jan Nowak, Director



- 8:45-9:15 Introducing Upstream Prevention Strategies: Risk Factors for Genocide and Atrocity Crimes
Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR
Take Home Resource: James Waller, *Confronting Evil: Engaging Our Responsibility to Prevent Genocide* (2016), Chapter 4.
- 9:15-10:45 Historical Context: Civil-Military Relations in Latin America
Dr. Rut Diamint, Professor of International Security, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (Argentina)
Readings: (a) George Withers, Lucila Santos y Adam Isacson, “Predica lo que practicas: La separacion de roles entre militares y policias en las Americas,” (2010), pp. 9-31 and (b) Rut Diamint’s “Conduccion Civil de las Politicas de Defensa,” from Marcela Donadio’s (compiladora) *La reconstruccion de la seguridad nacional: Defensa, democracia y cuestion militar en America Latina* (2011), pp. 223-233.
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:30 The Role of the Inter-American Human Rights System in Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention
Ms. Tatiana Gos, Academic Programs Officer, Latin America, AIPR
Reading: Felipe González Morales, El proceso de reformas recientes al Sistema Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, *Revista IIDH Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos* N° 59, Enero-Junio 2014, pp. 119-149.
- 12:30-13:30 Lunch Break – Dialogue Centre
- 13:30-15:00 Early-Warning and Opportunities for the Prevention of Genocide and Other Atrocity Crimes
Mr. Mario Buil-Merce, UN Office on Genocide Prevention & the Responsibility to Protect
Reading: OSAPG “Marco de Análisis” (2014).
- 15:00-15:15 Coffee Break
- 15:15-16:45 The Responsibility to Protect
Mr. Mario Buil-Merce, UN
Readings: UN Secretary-General’s annual reports on the responsibility to protect; (a) “Hacer efectiva la responsabilidad de proteger” (2009) and (b) “Un compromiso vital y perdurable: hacer efectiva la responsabilidad de proteger” (2015).

- 16:45-17:15 Formative Evaluation Session
- 19:00 Bus Departs Dialogue Centre for La Rossa Restaurant
- 19:30 Pub Dinner – La Rossa Restaurant
- 21:00 Early Bus Returns to Dialogue Centre
- 23:00 Late and Final Bus Returns to Dialogue Centre

Thursday, June 8 – Midstream Prevention: Responding to Genocide, War Crimes, Ethnic Cleansing, and Crimes Against Humanity

- 7:30 Breakfast – Dialogue Centre
- 8:30-9:00 Introducing Midstream Prevention Strategies: Accelerants, Triggers, and the Early Warning-Early Response Gap
Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR
Take Home Resource: James Waller, *Confronting Evil: Engaging Our Responsibility to Prevent Genocide* (2016), Chapter 5.
- 9:00-10:30 Becoming Evil: How Ordinary People Commit Genocide and Mass Atrocity
Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR
Readings: (a) James E. Waller, “Lo Ordinario del mal Extraordinario: La Genesis de los Perpetradores de Genocidios y Exterminios,” from Olaf Jensen and Claus-Christian W. Szejnmann (eds.), *Ordinary People as Mass Murderers: Perpetrators in Comparative Perspective* (UK: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008), pp.145-164 and (b) excerpt from Jean Hatzfeld’s *La Temporada del Machete: Hablan los Asesinos en Ruanda* (2003), pp. 21-27, 36-40.
Handout: The Interrogation of Erna Petri (19 September, 1961).
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45-12:15 Exercise: The Role of Identity in Genocide and Mass Atrocity
Mr. Vahidin Omanovic, Center for Peacebuilding (Sanski Most, BiH)
- 12:15-13:15 Lunch Break – Dialogue Centre
- 13:15-14:00 Exercise: Non-Discrimination as a Prevention Tool
Ms. Eugenia Carbone, AIPR and Ms. Tatiana Gos, AIPR

- 14:00-15:30 Gender-Based Violence as a Risk Factor in Genocide and Atrocity Crimes
Dr. Mónica Mazariegos Rodas, Universidad Rafael Landívar de Guatemala, Instituto de Investigación y Proyección sobre el Estado
Readings: (a) Dador Tozzini, Jennie, *Impunidad: pongámosle fin. Violencia sexual contra las mujeres en conflicto armado y post conflicto en América Latina*, PCS y Solidaridad Internacional and (b) “Referencias bibliográficas.”
- 15:30-15:45 Coffee Break
- 15:45-17:15 Response Tools for Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention
Capstone Simulation Assignments (for Saturday morning)
Handouts: (a) Table 5.1 (Waller, 2016) and (b) Capstone Simulation.
Dr. Tibi Galis, AIPR and Ms. Eugenia Carbone, AIPR
- 18:00 Dinner – Dialogue Centre

Friday, June 9 – Downstream Prevention: Transitional Justice and Dealing with the Past

- 7:30 Breakfast – Dialogue Centre
- 8:30-9:00 Introducing Downstream Prevention Strategies: Justice, Truth, and Memory
Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR
Take Home Resource: James Waller, *Confronting Evil: Engaging Our Responsibility to Prevent Genocide* (2016), Chapter 6 and Conclusion.
- 9:00-10:30 Introduction to Transitional Justice from an Atrocity Prevention Perspective
Dr. Tibi Galis, Executive Director of AIPR
Reading: Juan E. Mendez, “Responsabilización por los abusos del pasado,” *Human Rights Quarterly* 19:2 (1997), 255-282.
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45-12:15 Case Studies of Transitional Justice in Latin America
Mr. Eduardo Gonzalez, Human Rights Consultant (Peru)
Readings: (a) “El Estado de derecho y la justicia de transición en las sociedades que sufren o han sufrido conflictos,” UNDOC S/2004/616, August 2004 and (b) “Promoviendo la justicia transicional en sociedades post conflicto”, Paul Van Zyl. En “Justicia Transicional. Manual para America Latina,” p. 47-72.

12:15-13:15 Lunch Break – Dialogue Centre

13:15-14:45 Retributive Justice: Accountability for Plan Condor Transnational Crimes
Dr. Francesca Lessa, University of Oxford, Latin American Centre
Readings: (a) Patrice McSherry, "Operation Condor: Clandestine Inter-American System," *Social Justice* (1999) and (b) Francesca Lessa, *Justicia más allá de las fronteras: Los crímenes transnacionales de Plan Cóndor* (2016).

14:45-15:00 Coffee Break

15:00-16:30 The Role of Memory and Memorialization in Transitional Justice
Dr. Kerry Whigham, Academic Programs Officer, Online Education, AIPR
Reading: Elizabeth Jelin, "Los trabajos de la memoria," en esta colección, *y Pan y afectos: la transformación de las familias*, Buenos Aires, Fondo de Cultura Económica (1998), pp. 1-16.

16:30-16:45 Closing Announcements

17:00 Bus to Krakow

18:30 Check-In at Radisson Blu

Evening Free Evening in Krakow

Saturday, June 10 – Genocide and Atrocity Crimes Prevention in Action

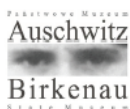
7:30 Breakfast – Radisson Blu (Ground Floor)

8:30-10:30 Capstone Simulation: Early Warning Assessment of Current At-Risk Area
Facilitators: Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR and Dr. Tibi Galis, AIPR
Readings: (a) "Rwanda Historical Background" and (b) "Rwanda Simulation Briefing."
Location: Radisson Blu – 1st Floor Conference Centre

10:30-11:00 Simulation Debriefing

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-11:30 Seminar Wrap-Up and Introduction to Alumni Network



Dr. James Waller, Keene State College/AIPR, Dr. Tibi Galis, AIPR and Ms. Stephanie Alvarez, AIPR

11:30-11:45 Review of Goals for Latin American Network for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention
Ms. Eugenia Carbone, AIPR

11:45-12:30 Summative Evaluation Session

12:30-13:15 Lunch – Radisson Blu

13:30 Arranged Tours in Krakow:

Schindler Factory Museum (Podgorze District)
Krakow City Tour (including Kazimierz District)

18:45 Meet in Lobby of Radisson Blu

19:00 Closing Dinner and Certificate Distribution
White Rose Restaurant, Krakow

Sunday, June 11

AM Participants check out of hotel (by noon) and leave for return.

“In order to defend ourselves in the future against other totalitarian regimes, we have to understand how they worked in the past, like a vaccine.”

Lukasz Kaminski, President of Poland’s Institute of National Remembrance

