

“EUROPE: EAST AND WEST” UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM
Sponsored by the Center for Russian and East European Studies, European Studies Center/
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University of Pittsburgh
Friday, April 12, 2013

Schedule of Events

Continental Breakfast

Dining Room A, William Pitt Union
8:30 – 9:00 A.M.

Panel A: European Union Migration Policies

Dining Room A, William Pitt Union
9:00 – 10:50 A.M.

“Illegality in Action: A Legal Analysis of the EU’s Evolving Political Systems Regarding Immigration Policy and Human Rights Law”

- Callum Abbott, University of Pittsburgh

“Effects of Motherhood and Education on Immigrant Women’s Employment Attitudes in Malmö, Sweden”

- Priyanka Kaura, University of Pittsburgh

“What the European Union Won’t Do: The Necessity for an Integrated Asylum and Refugee Reception Policy”

- Grace Mandry, Kalamazoo College

“East to West Migration in the EU: 8 Years after Enlargement”

- Sarah Tamulski, Temple University

Discussants: Dr. Suzanna Crage and Dr. Bernard Hagerty, University of Pittsburgh

Panel B: Cultural Politics of Europe

Dining Room B, William Pitt Union
9:00 – 10:50 A.M.

“The Significance of Michael Ranfft’s Treatise in the *Leipzigdebatte* over Serbian Vampirism”

- Derek Black, New College of Florida

“Of Price and Prejudice: An Analysis of the Two 2012 Belgrade Pride Parades”

- Alex Cooper, College of William and Mary

“Regional Autonomy?: The Resilience of Scottish Independence”

- Brent Harrison, University of Pittsburgh

“Redefining Foreignness: Second Wave Black Metal, Xenophobic Violence, and the Price of Cultural Capital”

- Matthew Hershey, University of Pittsburgh

Discussants: Dr. David Montgomery and Dr. Susan Hicks, University of Pittsburgh

Panel C: Historical Interpretation and Re-Interpretation

Kurtzman Room, William Pitt Union

9:00 - 10:50 A.M.

“Massacre in a Small Town: Reconstructing the Events of July 10, 1941 in Jedwabne, Poland”

- Adam Curfman, University of Pittsburgh

“British Involvement in Poland, 1600-1795: Creating a Funhouse and Fin de Siécle Anxiety”

- Meghan Knapp, University of Wisconsin - Madison

“De-Stalinization: Nikita Khrushchev and the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance”

- Dana Ringer, Washington & Jefferson College

“Heresy: Opportunity and Power”

- Kiersten Strachan, University of Oklahoma

Discussants: Dr. Sean Guillory and Mr. Andrew Behrendt, University of Pittsburgh

Panel D: The Politics of the European Union

Dining Room A, William Pitt Union

11:00 A.M. - 12:25 P.M.

“European Union Accession: The Cases of Macedonia and Slovenia”

- Susannah Hightower, University of Alabama at Birmingham

“Why Germany Is Threatening the European Union”

- Daniel Jeannotot, York University

“Economics as the Path to Peace: Hope for Normalization of EU-Russian Relations?”

- Rebecca Queitzsch, University of Washington

Discussants: Dr. Patrick Altdorfer and Mr. Evgeny Postnikov, University of Pittsburgh

Panel E: British and European Union Media

Dining Room B, William Pitt Union

11:00 A.M. - 12:25 P.M.

“Media Coverage of Euroscepticism in Great Britain”

- Alexander Ives, State University of New York at Fredonia

“Becoming European: Europeanism through Forms of International Communication”

- Skye Tylich, University of Oklahoma

“How Have the Irish and Greek Bailouts in the Eurozone Crisis Affected the Media Discourse on Sovereignty in the UK”

- Eleanor Wells, University of Bristol

Discussants: Dr. Tony Novosel and Dr. Brandon Boylan, University of Pittsburgh

Lunch for Presenters, Discussants, and Faculty Sponsors

Kurtzman Room, William Pitt Union, 12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Remarks by Dr. Patrick Mullen, Director, Office of Undergraduate Research, University of Pittsburgh

Panel F: European Defense and Security Policies

Dining Room A, William Pitt Union

1:40 - 3:30 P.M.

“A Reconsideration of the Impact of Common Defense Policies on European Union/Member State Relations”

- Ian Edwards, Kalamazoo College

“Invasions of Czechoslovakia and Hungary: A Comparison of the Causes, Invasions, and Lack of International Response”

- Alexander Nallin, Washington & Jefferson College

“Heads or Tails?: Russian Use of R2P and Non-Intervention in the Near and Far Abroad”

- Spencer Vuksic, Mercyhurst University

Discussants: Dr. Jonathan Harris and Dr. Gemma Marolda, University of Pittsburgh

Panel G: 19th Century European Literature

Dining Room B, William Pitt Union

1:40 - 3:30 P.M.

“Confession and Guilt: The Antidotes to the Superman”

- Channing Kaiser, University of Pittsburgh

“The Journey of the Epic Hero in *War and Peace*”

- Mackenzie King, Dickinson College

“*Mansfield Park*: Jane Austen’s Most Pious Heroine Explores Her Own Sins”

- Lindsey Osborne, University of Pittsburgh

“Tolstoy & Trumbo: Ethics and Language in Understanding Violence”

- Alexandra Shapiro, Dickinson College

Discussants: Dr. Clare Connors and Dr. Kathleen Manukyan, University of Pittsburgh

Panel H: 20th Century Russian Literature and Culture

Kurtzman Room, William Pitt Union

1:40 - 3:30 P.M.

“The New Soviet Woman: The Fluctuating Ideal throughout the 1930s”

- Jacqueline Dufalla, University of Pittsburgh

“The New Soviet Man”

- Erin Harrington, University of Pittsburgh

“The Portrayal of the Orphan Child in Andrei Platonov’s Selected Works”

- Nadia Hoppe, New York University

“Wild Capitalism in Russia”

- Nastasya Tsultsumova, College of Saint Elizabeth

Discussants: Dr. Dawn Seckler and Mr. Andrew Chapman, University of Pittsburgh