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Uppsala Forum Schedule of Events April 2021

Save the Date April

Please find below information on events organized or supported by Uppsala Forum on Democracy, Peace and Justice at Uppsala University. [You are kindly invited to attend.](#)

Reminder: Call for Applications Deadline March 31

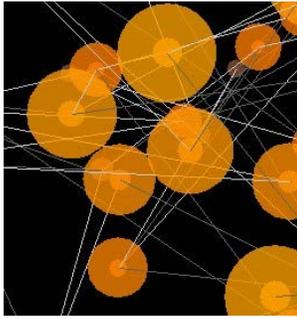
Uppsala Forum offers the opportunity to apply for funding for visiting fellows, seminars, workshops, and research applications.

For more information, please visit the [Uppsala Forum Website](#).

Survey on Digital Humanities Methods



PhD and clueless about how digital humanities



can boost your research?

Uppsala Forum in collaboration with the [Digital Humanities Uppsala](#) is mapping the needs and knowledge among our researchers and PhD candidates on DH methodology with the aim to bring you the enhanced knowledge and abilities that would benefit your research. Please do take our [5 min survey](#) before **March 31**. Your participation is much

appreciated!

Evening lecture



Women Opposing Right-Wing Populism in Poland and Beyond

When: March 31, 18.15-19.30

Where: Zoom

Zoom link will be uploaded in the [Facebook event](#) shortly before the lecture

Contact: [Daniel Hedlund](#)

Organisers: Uppsala Forum & UF - The Association of Foreign Affairs.

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Summary Elżbieta Korolczuk, PhD is a sociologist, working at Södertörn University in Stockholm. Her research interests involve: gender, social movements and civil society, including ultraconservative movements and new reproductive technologies. She published numerous texts, e.g. on the women's movement and its relation with neoliberalism, on new forms of citizenship, politicization of reproduction and anti-gender mobilization in Poland and abroad. She will be discussing the women activists opposing right-wing

populism in Poland.

Workshop for PhD Candidates and Postdocs

Crashcourse on the Study of Populism with Uppsala Forum Visiting Fellow

Professor Cristóbal Rovira Kaltwasser



Studying populism in comparative perspective: state of the art and avenues for future research

Academic interest in populism remains high and the issue achieves powerful resonance in public debate, particularly because of the difficult relationship between populism and democratic politics. At the same time as the prominence of populism in the politics of Europe and the Americas has been growing, the scholarship on populism has gradually developed from being a very disparate set of literatures to being a more coherent body of work, in particular when it comes to studying populism in comparative perspective.

This workshop offers an overview of the state of the art. Special emphasis will be given to the concept of populism, empirical studies on the demand-side (e.g. populist attitudes) and the supply-side (e.g. populist discourse), the ambivalent relationship between populism and democracy, and the future research agenda.

The workshop, open to all scholars in the Forum milieu, particularly welcomes postdocs, doctoral and master students.

Please register by April 7 to [Sofia Näsström](#).



**Uppsala Forum Open Lecture: Karin
Kvist Geverts**



Sweden and the Holocaust. Challenges and possibilities for Holocaust research

today

Photo: Jann Lipka/KB – National Library of Sweden.

When: April 14, 2021, 10.15 -11.00

Where: Zoom

Link: <https://uu-se.zoom.us/j/69431104940>

Contact: [Daniel Hedlund](#)

Organiser: Uppsala Forum on Democracy, Peace and Justice.

Karin Kvist Geverts is an associate professor in history specialized in Holocaust history and one of the founders of the Swedish research network on Holocaust research. Her research has dealt with Swedish refugee policy and the Holocaust, Holocaust memory cultures and antisemitism. In her lecture, Kvist Geverts will talk about her current research on early writings on the Holocaust published in *Early Holocaust Memory in Sweden. Archives, Testimonies and Reflections*, Johannes Heumann & Pontus Rudberg (eds.) (Palgrave 2021) and also address the political interest in the topic today with the establishment of a Holocaust museum, the upcoming Malmö International Forum on Holocaust Remembrance and Combating Antisemitism (October 2021) as well as the Swedish chairmanship of the IHRA (2022-2023). What challenges and possibilities does this bring for the field of Holocaust research in Sweden today?

About the lecturer: Karin Kvist Geverts is Associate Professor in History and Director of the Institute for Holocaust Research in Sweden (IHRS). She was the Swedish delegate to the Academic Working Group of the IHRA (2015-2017) and the expert secretary of the inquiry *A Swedish Museum about the Holocaust* (SOU 2020:21). Her research has dealt with Swedish refugee policy and the Holocaust, Holocaust memory cultures and antisemitism.

Discussant: Tomislav Dulić, Associate Professor in History and Director of The Hugo Valentin Centre at Uppsala University.

Are you planning to apply for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowship for a post-doc abroad?



Uppsala Forum organises a workshop series this Spring term, in collaboration with Doctoral Student Forum and EU Funding Office for the Humanities and Social Sciences, to help PhD candidates in the later part of their doctoral programs and postdocs awarded their PhDs after 2015 to prepare a winning proposal. A transdisciplinary panel of local and international scholars will provide scientific feedback on your draft application, and you will receive expert advice on how to prepare your proposal and hear from earlier grant-receivers about their experience.

Register before April 17 [here](#)

Want to improve your skills in English for academic success?



Photo: Mikael Wallerstedt.

Uppsala Forum organises a workshop series, in collaboration with the Unit for Professional English at the Department of English, for researchers seeking to improve skills in English for academic and professional success, with lecturer Gregory Garretson. The workshop series entitled Presenting Your Research in Speech and Writing takes place May 20-31, 2021 and includes hands-on exercises and feedback on your work. Register before **May 1, 2021** by [email](#). Please see the [call for participants](#)



[Uppsala Forum Open Lecture: Rebecca Thorburn Stern](#)
Migrant Children: A Rights-Based Perspective

When: May 5, 2021, 18.15 -19.30

Where: Zoom

Link: <https://uu-se.zoom.us/j/61589374686>

Contact: [Daniel Hedlund](#)

Organisers: Uppsala Forum on Democracy, Peace and Justice & UF - The Association of Foreign Affairs.

A large part of the migrants in the world today are children. The Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) establishes a comprehensive catalogue of rights for children, including children on the move. In the context of migration, however, the child-centred perspective of the Convention and its general principles of the best interest of the child and the child's right to be heard may be at risk of being overshadowed of the child's status as a migrant with all that entails of rights limitations and restrictions. In this talk, Rebecca Thorburn Stern discusses what it means to apply a rights-based perspective on migrant children, children in forced migration in particular, and the consequences this might have, for example, in the assessment of the right to international protection.

About the lecturer Rebecca Thorburn Stern is Professor of Public International Law at Uppsala University. Her research interests include human rights with a focus on children's rights, asylum and migration law and the relationship between national and international law.



[Uppsala Forum Open Lecture: Ralph Sundberg](#)

**The Unknown Success of
Peacekeeping – But Why Does it
Work?**

When: May 12, 2021, 18.15 -19.30

Where: Zoom

Link: <https://uu-se.zoom.us/j/69920665325>

Contact: [Daniel Hedlund](#)

Organisers: Uppsala Forum on Democracy, Peace and Justice & UF - The Association of Foreign Affairs.

Despite what many may believe the track record for peacekeeping is one of success. The missions deployed by the international community to stop armed conflict, uphold ceasefires, and attempt to rebuild states are – on average – successful in their undertakings. Despite this impressive track record we have very little knowledge about why this is the case: what mechanisms and activities convert the presence of boots on the ground into outcomes such as less civilians being targeted and less battles taking place between belligerents. In this lecture Sundberg reviews the “unknown” success of UN peacekeeping missions and presents where current research stands on what peacekeepers do and why it works.

About the lecturer Ralph Sundberg (Ph.D. 2015) is an associate professor at the Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University. He specializes in political and military psychology, as well as peacekeeping. His work has been published in journals such as the Journal of Peace Research, the Journal of Politics, the Journal of Personality, and Military Psychology. He is currently involved in several projects on peacekeeping: most notably on what peacekeepers do on the ground and why, as well as how peacekeeping may (or may not) mitigate forced displacement in civil war.

Discussant: Pontus Winther, Doctor in International Law and Researcher at the Swedish Defence Research Agency.



A Digital Symposium

Making sense of the 2020 U.S. Election: Political and Cultural Consequences

When: May 21, 2021, 15.00 -17.00

Where: Zoom

Contact: [Dag Blanck](#)

Organisers: The Swedish Institute for North American Studies (SINAS), the Swedish Association for American Studies (SAAS) and Uppsala Forum on Democracy, Peace and Justice.

The symposium consists of an on-line discussion between and with three

prominent scholars, who from their different disciplinary perspectives will place the 2020 election in a larger context. Formal presentations by the participants will be available for symposium participants from May 14, 2012.

Speakers and topics include:

Steven Schier, Professor of Political Science, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota: "Piercing the Fog: Perspectives on the 2020 US Elections"

Gunlög Fur, Professor of History, Linnaeus University, Växjö: "Falling Apart Since 1607"

Frida Beckman, Professor of Comparative Literature, Stockholm University: "The Steal: Paranoia and the Repossession of White Male Agency"

News about Uppsala Forum

Uppsala Forum's Research Director Patricia Mindus will participate in the conference [En Teoría hay mujeres \(en teoría\)](#) at the University of Girona (Spain), giving a keynote on the theme 'A Philosophical Turn in Migration Theory'.

A new journal article by Patricia Mindus entitled '[When is lack of emotion a problem for justice? Four views on legal decision makers' emotive life](#)' has been published in Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy.

Recently uploaded recordings from events:

March 17. Uppsala Forum Guest lecture with Cristóbal Rovira Kaltwasser: [Riding the Populist Wave: Europe's Mainstream Right in Crisis.](#)

February 17. Book Event. Enrico Gargiulo: [Invisible Borders: Administrative Barriers and Citizenship in Italian Municipalities](#)

February 4. Book Event (in Swedish). [Folk& Vilja: Ett försvar av demokratin i vår tid.](#)

January 19. [The American Dilemma 2020: Nine Lessons for Healthy Democracies.](#)

January 8. Online conference. [A Question of Trust: Hard and Soft Law during the Covid-19 Pandemic.](#)

[Watch the interview with Uppsala Forum Visiting Fellow Claire Davison](#)



Professor of Modernist Studies, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris III, France. Visiting period: September-October 2021 (TBC)

For more information please contact [Elsa Högberg](#).

Curious about our incoming visiting researchers? [Watch short interviews here](#)

Curious about Uppsala PhD Student Forum? [Watch a short video here](#)

Please note that all Uppsala Forum events are free of charge and open to the public. Our events are held in English, if not otherwise indicated. For more information visit [the Uppsala Forum website](#). Welcome!

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