

Other Symposia & Conferences

Japan and Germany: Two Successful Models of Americanization?

Wednesday, November 10, 2004
Gakushuin University, Tokyo

The speakers for this event were: Ulrich Heinze, University of Tokyo, Reiichi Miura, Hitotsubashi University, Keiko Nitta, Hitotsubashi University, and Alexander Stephan, Ohio State University. The conference was organized by Alexander Stephan and Thomas Pekar, Gakushuin University.

Public Diplomacy as a Global Phenomenon

Spring 2006
Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

This conference will provide a forum to discuss the growing import of public diplomacy in an increasingly globalized world, the ways in which individual countries perceive and use public diplomacy, and the future of public diplomacy in the world. Speakers will include historians, practicing diplomats, and foreign policy theorists. The conference will be co-organized by Alexander Stephan and John Brown.

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Western Europe

Thursday, May 1, 2003

The symposia series began with two former U.S. ambassadors, Richard Celeste, former two-term governor of Ohio and U.S. ambassador to India, and Cynthia Schneider, former ambassador to the Netherlands and currently of the Art History Department at Georgetown University. Celeste, currently President of Colorado University, spoke about the perception of America and American culture during his four year term of service in India. Schneider's talk looked at central issues of such cultural interactions based on her personal experiences.



Middle East

Friday, January 30, 2004

The symposium speakers were Richard Herrmann, Director of the Mershon Center at The Ohio State University, who spoke on "Anti-Americanism in the Middle East: Cultural Identities or Material Interests?", Dale Eickelman, Professor of Anthropology at Dartmouth College, who gave a talk entitled, "Images of America: Education and the Media," and Jillian Schwedler, Assistant Professor in Government and Politics at the University of Maryland, who addressed, "America and American Culture: Views Across Class and Generational Divides."

Russia

Friday, May 7, 2004

The speakers for the symposium on Russia were Vladislav Zubok, Associate Professor of History at Temple University, Georgi Derluguian, Assistant Professor of Sociology from Northwestern University, and John Brown of the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University. Zubok's talk was on "America as the Big Other: Russian Anti-Americanism as a Historical and Cultural Phenomenon." Derluguian discussed "Russia in the Global Spread of Anti-Americanism: Theses Towards a Rational Program of Study," and Brown presented "Cultural Diplomacy in Russia: A Practitioner's Perspective," based on his personal experiences as a former member of the U.S. Foreign Service.



Latin America

Friday, October 22, 2004

The Latin American Symposium's speakers were George Yúdice, Professor of American Studies at New York University, who addressed "US Prepotencia: Latin Americans Respond" and Seth Fein, Assistant Professor of History at Yale University, who looked at "From the New Empire to the Old: Making Mexican Newsreels the Cold War Way."



East Asia

Saturday, March 5, 2005

The East Asian Symposium was a full day event complete with student presentations and guest lecturers. George T. Yu, Emeritus Professor of Political Science and Director of the East Asia Center at University of Illinois, discussed "America in China: Cultural and Political Influences." William M. Tsutsui, Associate Professor of History at University of Kansas, spoke on "Embracing America, Overcoming America: U.S. Culture and Commerce in Postwar Japan." Bruce Cumings, Professor of History at University of Chicago, examined "The Roots of Anti-Americanism in Korea."



Africa

Thursday, May 12, 2005

The speaker representing the African Studies portion of this series, James Campbell is Associate Professor at Brown University in American Civilization and Africana Studies and History. His talk, "Ama Melika Ayeza! (The Americans are Coming): The Politics of American Culture in the New South Africa," represented part of his larger study on the impact of the U.S. on the cultural venues of South Africa.

