

Welcome to the 2024 Summer Curriculum Workshop organized by the European Union Center at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“Understanding Contemporary Europe: Spotlighting the Peripheries”

Tuesday, July 9 – Friday, July 12, 2024

All sessions, unless otherwise indicated, will take place in 306 Coble Hall

Tuesday, July 9

- 2:30-4:30 P.M. Check in to Newman Hall
- 4:30-5:00 P.M. Check in at 306 Coble Hall
- 5:00-5:15 P.M. Welcome and introductory remarks
- 5:15-6:15 P.M. **The European Union, Geopolitics, and Security**
Carol Leff, Associate Professor Emerita, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 6:30-7:30 P.M. Dinner in Newman Hall

Wednesday, July 10

- 7:00-8:45 A.M. Breakfast in Newman Hall
- 9:00-10:15 A.M. **Endangered Languages in Europe (via Zoom)**
Eda Derhemi, Teaching Associate Professor of Italian, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 10:15-10:30 A.M. Coffee break
- 10:30-11:45 A.M. **Human Rights in Europe: Migration, Law, and Environment**
Jessica Greenberg, Associate Professor of Anthropology, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 12:00-1:15 P.M. Lunch on your own
- 1:30-2:45 P.M. **Personality Cults of Leaders in the Modern Balkans**
Stefan Djordjevic, Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of History, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 2:45-3:00 P.M. Coffee break
- 3:00-4:15 P.M. **Minority Language Policy in EU Member and Candidate States**
Zsuzsanna Fagyal, Professor of French, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

- 4:15-6:00 P.M. Free time
- 6:00-7:20 P.M. Dinner in Newman Hall
- 7:30-9:15 P.M. **Film screening: "Blancanieves"**

Thursday, July 11

- 7:00-8:45 A.M. Breakfast in Newman Hall
- 9:00-10:15 A.M. **Europe, Dark Tourism, and Sites of Tragedy**
Joelle Soulard, Assistant Professor of Recreation, Sport, and Tourism, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 10:15-10:30 A.M. Coffee break
- 10:30-11:45 A.M. **"Blancanieves," Contemporary Cinema, and National Identity**
Lucía Sánchez-Gilbert, PhD in Spanish Literature and Culture
- 12:00-1:15 P.M. Lunch in Newman Hall
- 1:30-2:45 P.M. **Whose Voice? Decolonizing Culture Teaching**
Amy Clay, Teaching Assistant Professor of French, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Amanda Smith, Academic Programs Coordinator, European Union Center, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- 2:45-3:00 P.M. Walk to Spurlock Museum
- 3:00-4:15 P.M. **Guided Tour of Spurlock Museum: Around the World in Artifacts**
Abigail Padfield Narayan, Manager of Academic Programs, Spurlock Museum of World Cultures
- Evening Free time and dinner on your own

Friday, July 12

- 7:00-8:30 A.M. Breakfast in Newman Hall
- 8:45-9:15 A.M. **Workshop debrief and lesson plan discussion**
- 9:30 A.M. Departure for group visiting Springfield
- 10:00-11:30 A.M. Guided tour of Krannert Art Museum
- 6 P.M. Springfield group returns to Champaign