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Swig Program in Jewish Studies
and Social Justice

December Newsletter

As this year comes to a close, we wanted to express our deep gratitude to everyone who made the Swig Program in Jewish Studies and Social Justice excel despite the challenging circumstances of our current world.

This year during **Hanukkah** (also known as the Festival of Lights), we are encouraged by the illumination coming out of our communities, even in times of great darkness. We are grateful that we are able to continue providing robust and meaningful educational opportunities for our students, our campus, and beyond. In the midst of the uncertainty of our world, we hope that the educational opportunities we provide in the Swig JSSJ Program bring a glow – if not a blaze – into your lives.

This program can only thrive with support from our community. By supporting our work, you are ensuring that new generations of Jews and non-Jews are being educated about the core role social justice plays for Jews, including the commitment to social justice for all people worldwide. You are also helping us educate students about the profound diversity of Jews and Jewish identities. With your support we will continue working to fight bigotry and prejudice towards all people, regardless of social identities.

Thank you for considering making a year-end contribution to support our

ongoing efforts. [Donate here](#) or by clicking the 'Give Now' button at the bottom of this email. We are eternally grateful for you and your support.

Spring 2022 JSSJ Courses

Course Name	Course No.	Days/Times	Instructor	Core Req.
Arabic (Second Semester)	ARAB 102-01	MW 4:45-6:25 p.m.	Mullick	Foreign Lang.
Davies Seminar: The United States, Slavery, and Genocide	INTD 350-01	TR 4:35-6:20 p.m.	Hahn Tapper	
Forgiving the Unforgivable: The Ethics of Apologies	THRS 132-01	TR 12:45-2:30 p.m.	Hahn Tapper	D-3; CD
Hebrew (Second Semester)	HEBR 102-01	MWF 12-1:40 p.m.	Gvirtsman	Foreign Lang.
International Relations of the Middle East	POLS 354-01	TR 12:45-2:30 p.m.	Zunes	
Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Thru Literature and Film	THRS 238-01	TR 9:55-11:40 a.m.	Kroll-Zeldin	D-3; CD
Jewish-Christian Relations	THRS 230-01	W 6:30-10:10 p.m.	Latteri	D-2
Jews, Judaisms, and Jewish Identities	THRS 130-01	MW 4:45-6:25 p.m.	Kleinberg	D-2
Mideast Peoples and Cultures	ANTH 270-01	TR 12:45-2:30 p.m.	Kroll-Zeldin	E; CD
Paris-Berlin	GERM 350-01	MWF 9:15-10:20 a.m.	Ramos	C-1
Queering Religion	THRS 131-01	TR 4:34-6:20 p.m.	Angel	D-2; CD
Refugees: Justice and Ethics	THRS 236-01	TR 2:40-4:25 p.m.	Bar-Gabai	D-3; CD; CEL

For more information on the requirements for the JSSJ minor go to usfca.edu/artsci/jssj. Questions? Contact JSSJ Director Aaron Hahn Tapper (ajhahntapper@usfca.edu).



Place-Based Social Justice: California Indian Experiences

Wednesday, Dec. 15 | 12:00–1:00 p.m. | Online

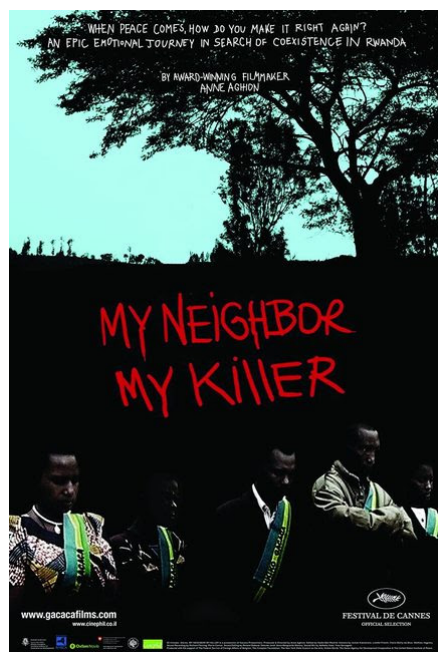
Nicole Myers-Lim will discuss contemporary relationships between California's Indigenous communities and the Catholic Church, with a focus on how USF's social justice work can be connected to justice for California Indians. As a Jesuit-educated Native person, Myers-Lim will discuss the need for historical correction, the ongoing challenges in church-Indian relations, and other issues related to this work.

Myers-Lim (Pomo) is a USF Law School alum, the executive director of the **California Indian Museum and Cultural Center**, and the chair of the **American Indian Education Oversight Committee**, which is part of the California Department of Education.

The opening welcome for this event will be presented by **Provost Chinyere Oparah** and will be moderated by Professor **Kouslaa Kessler-Mata**.

This event is co-sponsored by the Swig Program in Jewish Studies and Social Justice.

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***My Neighbor My Killer* Film Screening & Discussion with Filmmaker Anne Aghion and Dr. Alexis Herr**

Sunday, Dec. 12 | 3:00–4:30 p.m. | Online

Classrooms Without Borders and the **Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage** are showing the film ***My Neighbor My Killer***, followed by a post-movie discussion with documentary filmmaker **Anne Aghion**, survivor-activist **Liliane Pari Umhoza**, and **JSSJ professor Dr. Alexis Herr**. *My Neighbor My Killer* is about the Gacaca Tribunals — open-air hearings with citizen-judges meant to try their neighbors and rebuild the nation — after the Rwandan Genocide.

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Breaking Bread and the Binary

Thursdays | 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m. | Romero Room, University Ministry

Qmmunity, in partnership with the Swig Program in Jewish Studies and Social Justice and **University Ministry**, hosts a popular weekly gathering for LGBTQIA and friends called Breaking Bread and the Binary. This event takes place every Thursday from 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m. in the Romero Room. Interested students should contact **Rabbi Camille Angel** for more details.
