The Gaines Center for the Humanities



The Gaines Center

- Founded 1984
- Located in 3 historic homes on north campus
- Provides intellectual link between town and gown communities
- Functions as laboratory for innovative humanities-based teaching and learning





Curricular & Academic Support Programming

The Gaines Fellowship Program

- Two-year, rigorous academic program in humanities & arts fields for students from all disciplines & backgrounds
 - Junior Seminar (8hrs.) & Junior Juried Community Engagement Project
 - Senior Thesis (6hrs.)
- Field trips, lectures, mentorship, & post-graduate advising
- Research support









Curricular & Academic Support Programming



Edward T. Breathitt Undergraduate Lecture in the Humanities

Competition open to all UK students

Mary Bingham (Embedded Travel) Seminar

Limited enrollment but open to all UK students Faculty research & course development support







The Gaines Experience is:

uniting a passion for the humanities with a vision for lifelong service

> **Kaylee Hicks** Junior Fellow

Co-Collaborator on The Naco-Bisbee Mural Project

> University of Kentucky



The Gaines Fellowship inspires me to pursue new avenues of intellectual inquiry and gives me the resources to do so. Jordan Keeton Senior Fellow Author of

360-Contracts: Innovation in a Reeling Industry



Gaines Fellowship Alumni Network





Wide-reaching **Public Programs**

Bale Boone Symposium in the Humanities

- Legacies of the American Civil War
- Arts and Healing
- On Religion in the 21st Century
- Art, Ownership, & Cultural Property
- Science, Humanities, & Culture: In the Wake of Darwin
- Democracy vs. Transparency in Certified Products Networks
- The Idea of "The Athens of the West": Kentucky and American Culture, c. 1792-1852
- Growing Kentucky: New Directions for Our Culture of Land and Food
- Place, Community, and the Writer's Life: A Conversation with Kentucky's Three Yale Younger Poets
- Making Art with Yvonne Jacquette
- A Celebration of Food and Culture with Phyllis Pray Bober
- Documentary Film Workshop with Fred Wiseman
- A Celebration of Poetry



Sacred: The Armenian Genocide and the Holocaust

Jay Winter

Charles J. Stille Professor of History Yale University

7pm • February 17 WT Young Library Auditorium

There is a striking contrast between the continuing presence today of the sacred language of martyrdom in some parts of Europe (and elsewhere), and the fading away or disappearance of the language of martyrdom in other parts of Europe - a contrast notable in the contemporary responses to the Armenian Genocide and the Holocaust. Jay Winter argues that we must commemorate the victims of violence, but we must also seek a way out of the spiral of continuing conflict which the language of martyrdom perpetuates

A Glorious War?: **Contemporary Russia Reimagines the First World** War

> **Karen Petrone** Professor of History University of Kentucky

7pm • February 18 WT Young Library Auditorium Reception immediately following in the Gallery.

After more than seventy years of the Soviet Union rejecting the First World War as an "imperialist war." it fell to the Soviet Union's successor state of Russia to commemorate the War's centenary in 2014. Exploring the creation of Russia's first national memorial to the First World War in Moscow and the founding of a World War I History Museum in Tsarskoe Selo, Karen Petrone argues that Russia's new remembrance of the First World War is an integral part of Vladimir Putin's campaign to re-nationalize, re-militarize. and re-masculinize contemporary Russia. To some degree the ordeal of the Russian Empire during the First World War is being rewritten as a glorious chapter in Russian national history





Wide-reaching Public Programs

Lafayette Seminars in Public Issues

- The Power of Food
- Creative Placemaking Symposium
- Vision to Action II: The Town Branch Commons: Vision, Design, Build
- Vision to Action: Design Excellence & Economic Development
- Town & Gown III: The University-Neighborhood Connection
- Smart Growth: Mayoral Forum
- Growing Power, Growing Neighborhoods: Will Allen and Community Gardens
- Art VS. Public
- Hidden Treasures: Reviving Downtown Neighborhoods
- Redevelopment, Race, and Residential Neighborhoods in Downtown Lexington
- Growing Kentucky: New Directions for our Culture of Land and Food
- Town and Gown II: The Lexington University of Kentucky Connection
- Town-Gown Relations in Lexington
- Why Have a City Center?
- Revitalizing Our Downtown
- Creating a Successful Urban Public Space
- The City as Spectacle, The City as a Site of Celebration



April 7, 2016

University Cities: A Conversation with Mayors

Ft. Collins, CO & Lexington, KY mayors discuss capitalizing on the concept

