

The Department of Justice Studies & Cultural Studies at the University of Rijeka

Present
A Guest Lecture
on

Framing the Nation and Collective Identities

Monday April 25, 2016
4:00 pm – 5:15 pm

Montclair State University
Dickson Hall, Room 273
Montclair, NJ

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Workshop will be held from 5:30 – 6:30 pm
Center for Environmental and Life Sciences, Room 225

Synopsis

Commemorations and other political rituals are key components of a nation's cultural memory, crucial for the construction and reinforcement of ideological, ethnic, economic, sexual, and other identities. This lecture will present the activities and initial results of the FRAMNAT project, financed from Croatian Science Foundation (HRZZ), which analyzes both top-down and bottom-up strategies of framing the nation and collective identities through commemorative practices. Students will be given an introduction to the Yugoslav Wars of the 1990s, discuss the challenges facing Transitional Justice initiatives in the Yugoslav successor states, and explore how commemorations of war can hinder or contribute to reconciliation efforts through some specific case studies.

Workshop

The accompanying workshop will focus on the methodologies of the FRAMNAT project, and explore more generally the question of new developments in Digital Humanities that can be applied to memory studies. Furthermore, there will be an opportunity to discuss potential cooperation between scholars developing the Digital Humanities program at the University of Rijeka and the SVEN initiative at Montclair State University for future projects and exchanges.