

Institute of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies
University of California, Berkeley
Toll Room, Alumni House
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XXXI Annual Teacher Outreach Conference
KEEPING THE FAITH: ORTHODOX CHRISTIANITY IN EASTERN EUROPE

The Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies is pleased to invite you to a one-day conference for K–14 teachers. *Keeping the Faith: Orthodox Christianity in Eastern Europe* features scholars from UC Berkeley and other universities. The purpose of the conference is to examine a major institution in the historical development of Eastern Europe.

In the morning, we will learn of the nature of the religion and its artistic traditions. We will look inside Orthodox churches at the screen of icons, the *iconostasis*, which has taken a central role in both the architecture and in worship. Next, we will examine the icon itself: the controversy over the use of images, the theology it conveys, and the form of the icon. Slides will illustrate the lectures.

In the afternoon, we will turn our attention to Orthodox Christianity in America today. Examining the numerous local Orthodox communities sheds light on many East European cultures, and it introduces teachers to possible locations for school field trips. Next, we will examine the connection between ethnic and religious identity in Serbia since the breakup of former Yugoslavia. We will end our day with a presentation on music in Orthodox worship.

Following each panel, there will be time for questions and answers from the audience. As was the case with previous Teacher Outreach Conferences, we will have handouts and extracurricular materials for our audience, designed with the purpose of providing teaching aids for the classroom.

There is no fee to attend the conference, but we ask that you register in advance so that we can prepare materials to distribute. Lunch is on your own.

This conference is made possible by a grant to ISEEEES from the US Department of Education under Title VI.

Conference Schedule

9:00 a.m. Opening Remarks: Yuri
Slezkine, Professor of History and
Director of ISEEEES, UC Berkeley

Morning Chair: Robert Hughes, Professor
Emeritus of Slavic Languages and
Literatures, UC Berkeley

9:15 a.m. *The Eastern and the Western
Church: Differences in Religious
Experience*

Victor Zhivov, Professor of Slavic
Languages and Literatures, UC Berkeley

10:15 a.m. *Windows to Heaven: The Role
of the Iconostasis in a Russian Orthodox
Church*

Jack Kollmann, Lecturer and Academic
Coordinator, CREEES, Stanford
University

11:15 a.m. *The Icon: Controversy, Theology, Form*
Anton Vrame, Assistant Professor of
Orthodox Christian Studies, Graduate
Theological Union

2:45 p.m. *Between Serbianness and
Orthodoxy: The Serbian Orthodox
Church Since 1990*
Milica Bakic-Hayden, Professor of
Religious Studies, University of Pittsburgh

12:15 p.m. Discussion

3:45 p.m. Break

12:45 p.m. Lunch on your own

4:00 p.m. *Orthodox Music*
Marika Kuzma, Associate Professor of
Music, UC Berkeley

Afternoon Chair: Ronelle Alexander,
Professor of Slavic Languages and
Literatures, UC Berkeley

4:45 p.m. Discussion

1:45 p.m. *The Orthodox Church in
America Today*
Olga Hughes, Professor Emerita, Slavic
Languages and Literatures, UC Berkeley

5:30 p.m. Closing Reception

Pre-registration is requested

There is no fee, but pre-registration is requested. We will serve coffee and tea in the morning, but lunch is on your own.

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

To register, please send the information requested below to: ISEEEES, UC Berkeley, 260 Stephens Hall #2304, Berkeley CA 94720-2304. Or contact ISEEEES at (510) 642-3230, fax (510) 643-5045, or iseees@berkeley.edu.

School: _____

Grade Level: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

There are stipends available for active classroom teachers who register by mail and attend the full day conference. Only those who register by mail are eligible. The number is limited, and priority will be given to those teachers who are coming from a distance.