

## Holocaust education – universal topics

- Confronting various perceptions regarding the Holocaust and its contemporary meanings.
- The ramifications of the Holocaust for Jewish and Israeli society today.
- The collapse of democracy in Germany, 1933: Why did such an enlightened nation give up its freedom?
- The three power instruments of Nazi dictatorship: legislation, propaganda and terror. What can we learn from that experience in regards to anti-democratic parties at present?
- Conformity and obedience as psychological facilitators to totalitarian regimes - and the essence of pluralism to democracy.
- The pseudo-scientific foundations of Nazi racialist theory – and its present dangers in a multicultural world.
- Racism – a political, psychological and sociological phenomenon: what are its roots, how can a democratic society combat it?
- "Hate-ducation" (hate education): How did the Nazis mobilize Hate to their purposes? How is this done today around the world?
- Manifestations of racism, anti-Semitism and xenophobia in the world around us.
- The process that led from racialist theory to practice of genocide.
- The Death Industry of the concentration and extermination camps, as an instrument to erase the humanity of its objects.
- Psychological and social mechanisms that transform ordinary individuals to mass- murderers.
- "Ordinary men" vs. "Ordinary Germans" - Browning Vs. Goldahgen on the explanation to the Nazism: Could it happen anywhere else?
- The person under the uniforms: what does the uniform do to the person? What are our moral expectations from a soldier?
- Who is "Man"? What does it mean "to be Human"? Analytical reading of post-Holocaust literature.
- The Righteous Among the Nations: an exceptional form of behaviour in the Holocaust – what lessons can we derive from it?

- The bystanders: on the natural tendency to not get involved – and the need to confront it.
- "Never Again"? Genocide after and in spite of Auschwitz: why does it still happen? What can we do to prevent it?
- Holocaust and Memory: Holocaust denial; privatization of the Holocaust; A Jewish story, or a universal one?; Holocaust and politics; the role of the Holocaust in war and peace in the Middle-East.