

Holli Levitsky

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Biography

Dr. Holli Levitsky is the founder and Director of the Jewish Studies Program and Professor of English at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. Her research and scholarship focus on Holocaust representation and questions of identity, especially as it relates to exile and displacement. In addition to dozens of essays, articles and book chapters, she is editor or co-editor of, *Literature of Exile and Displacement: American Identity in a Time of Crisis* (2013), *Summer Haven: The Catskills, the Holocaust and the Literary Imagination* (2014), *Communist Poland: A Jewish Woman's Experience* (2022) and the forthcoming volume, *Hyam Plutzik: American Jewish Poet: Memory. Loss and Time* ((2024). In 2001-2002, Dr. Levitsky held the Fulbright Distinguished Chair in American Literature in Poland. She has participated in symposia, conferences, and study trips to Germany and to Poland to advance German-Jewish and Polish-Jewish understanding. She regularly leads workshops on teaching the Holocaust to secondary and college teachers locally, nationally and internationally.

Areas of Expertise

Jewish Studies, American Culture and the Holocaust, Holocaust Studies, Holocaust Pedagogy, Southern American Literature, Israel Studies, Literary Theory, Holocaust Literature, Jewish-American Literature, Exile Studies

Affiliations

Jewish American and Holocaust Literature Symposium Executive Board and Director, Western Jewish Studies Executive Board, *Levantine Review* Editorial Board, Lund University Ravensbrück Archives Board, Modern Language Association, Association for Jewish Studies, American Literature Association

Education

University of California, Irvine

Ph.D. English and American Literature

University of California, Irvine

M.A. Comparative Literature

University of Michigan

M.A. English Language and Literature

University of Michigan
B.A. English Language and Literature

Accomplishments

2023 Leadership in Holocaust Education Award
Award from David Labkowski Project.

2023 Resolution to Commend for Leadership and Commitment to Holocaust Education
California Jewish Caucus

2022 Resolution to Commend for Leadership and Commitment to Holocaust Education
Awarded by Mayor Garcetti

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