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Ramapo College's Gross Center to Present Remote Event

Author to Discuss Her Book 'Legacy of Blood: Jews, Pogroms and Ritual Murder in the Land of the Soviets'

MAHWAH, N.J. – On Thursday, April 23 at noon, Elissa Bemporad, Ph.D., will speak about her new book, *Legacy of Blood: Jews, Pogroms, and Ritual Murder in the Lands of the Soviets*. The talk will be delivered remotely using WebEx Events under the auspices of The Gross Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Ramapo College of New Jersey.

Registration is suggested. The link is

<https://ramapo.webex.com/ramapo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e30d6ba4962b1be61c57dc537f97e9416>

Legacy of Blood traces the legacies of the two most extreme manifestations of tsarist antisemitism-pogroms and blood libels in the Soviet Union, dating from 1917 to the early 1960s. Closely intertwined in history and memory, pogroms and blood libels are still considered central to the Jewish experience in late tsarist Russia, the only country with large-scale anti-Jewish violence in the early twentieth century. However, their persistence and memory under the Bolsheviks—a chapter that is largely overlooked by the existing scholarship—significantly shaped the Soviet Jewish experience.

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