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Gross Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Ramapo College presents ‘Where are the Nazis? Memory and Myth in Russia, Ukraine and the USA’

MAHWAH, N.J. – Dr. Ben Rifkin will ask the question, “Why do large numbers of citizens of the Russian Federation believe that the Ukrainian government, including its Jewish president, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, and the Ukrainian people, are Nazis?” when he is the guest speaker at Ramapo College on Monday, October 24. The event, which is free and open to the public, will be held from 4-5:30 p.m. in the campus’s Anisfield School of Business Rm. 135.

[Registration is required](#) for those who wish to view the event via Webex.

The event is sponsored by the [Gross Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies](#) at Ramapo College.

Benjamin Rifkin earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Russian and East European Studies at Yale University and his Ph.D. in Slavic languages and literature, with a dissertation on what was then considered “contemporary” Soviet film at the University of Michigan. He is professor of Russian and Dean of the Maxwell Becton College of Arts and Sciences at Fairleigh Dickinson University. His research focuses on world language education, issues in the design and delivery of liberal arts courses at the university level, and compassion and global citizenship.

Additional information as well as a registration link can be viewed at <https://www.ramapo.edu/holocaust/e-news/ben-rifkin-lecture/>

Email holgen@ramapo.edu with questions.

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Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, data science, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include business, education, nursing and social work. In addition, the College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels, and offers graduate programs leading to master's degrees in Accounting, Applied Mathematics, Business Administration, Contemporary Instructional Design, Computer Science, Creative Music Technology, Data Science, Educational Leadership, Nursing, Social Work and Special Education, as well as a Doctor of Nursing Practice.