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Annual Conference

The German Studies Association holds its annual conference in a different city each year, most recently in Denver (2013) and Kansas City (2014); the next two will take place in Washington DC (2015) and, for the GSA’s 40th Anniversary, in San Diego (2016). In 2014 more than 1,300 members participated in the conference, and that number has been increasing each year. The conference features plenary talks by outstanding scholars and leaders from many disciplines and countries, as well as the annual meetings of the GSA Executive Board and numerous partner organizations; but the main conference activities involve a wide range of formats: individual sessions, roundtables, and seminars in which members present and discuss with colleagues from around the world new ideas and work on topics in their fields of study, often in ways that connect with other fields and disciplines. In some years, special topics become a focus for part of the conference, such as in 2014 when the centennial of the start of World War I and the 25th anniversary of the Fall of the Berlin Wall generated several sessions and two plenary talks. The Plenary speakers were Christopher Clark and

Publications

Starting in 1976 the GSA has published a highly regarded journal, the German Studies Review (GSR) that, since 2011, has appeared in print and electronically, in partnership with Johns Hopkins University Press. The journal’s articles, special features, and reviews reflect the wide range of interests of our many members and other scholars, including a growing interest in inter- and multidisciplinary scholarship. Founding GSA Executive Director Gerald Kleinfeld edited the journal from 1976 to 2000, Professor Diethelm Prowe from 2001 to 2010, and Professor Sabine Hake has been the editor since 2011.

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