

**Berlin Program Alumni Roundtables  
at the 31st Annual GSA Conference  
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**The Shared Intellectual History of Germany and the US before and after WW II**

**Sunday, October 7, 2007**

This roundtable brings together scholars from the fields of urban history, intellectual history, philosophy, and literary studies to discuss several instances of shared German-American intellectual history, in which the advent or the aftermath of fascism and WWII plays a crucial role. The panelists will first give a brief presentation of their work. From the discussion of specific instances, such as the German-Allied negotiation of Berlin's reconstruction after WW II, the omission of biology from the metadisciplinary approach of the Frankfurt School prior to its exile and the impact of the American exile on key conceptions of the Frankfurt School as well as on the German literary imagination, we will move to a discussion of methodological issues involved in writing international and interdisciplinary intellectual histories today.

**Moderator: Veronika Fuechtner, Dartmouth College, Berlin Program Fellow 2004-2005**

**The Housing Question in Postwar Berlin and Beyond**

Clara Oberle, T.U. Berlin/ Princeton University, Berlin Program Fellow 2002-2003

***"Diesmal fehlt die Biologie!": Biology, Social Theory, and Horkheimer's Compromise***

Kevin Amidon, Iowa State University, Berlin Program Fellow 2003-2004

**Love's Labors Lost in Hollywood – Interest and Instrumental Reason in Light of Thomas Mann and Theodor W. Adorno's Collaboration on Doktor Faustus**

Bo-Mi Choi, Harvard University

**Atlantische Kraftfelder: Wie sich amerikanische Erfahrung in Begriffen niederschlägt**

Michael Werz, Hessen Universities Consortium