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The specific objective is to study the different ways Yiddish was used, especially in Nazi-occupied Poland, an environment which facilitated a simultaneous blossoming of Yiddish culture and the construction of the six extermination camps specifically intended to implement the “Final Solution of the Jewish Question”, as the Nazis called their plans for the systematic murder of all European Jews.

Representations of the dictatorship and attitudes to politics among young people born in the Tres de Febrero district since the restoration of democracy

Director Lic. Elias Guillermo Levy

Much has been written about the military dictatorship and its consequences for society as a whole. Indeed, the impact of that period on the present could be measured on any number of different dimensions. This study focuses on the symbolic level of realization - more exactly, that of present-day representations of the dictatorship.

Young people born after the restoration of democracy obviously knew about this period only through political and media discourse and school education. Yet, despite a proliferation of contradictory discussions, little is known about how these young people’s perceptions.

Tres de Febrero is an industrial district whose economy depends largely on small and medium sized metal works. Originally part of a program of import substitution, this industry was seriously affected by the military dictatorship. Through in-depth interviews with school children whose families have lived in the area for at least two generations, we are constructing a “map of representations” to explain how these young people have processed a past they did not experience directly but have been told about. The purpose is to understand how these images of the past connect to current values, ideas and positions.

The Ukrainian Famine of 1932: a planned genocide?

Director Prof. Jorge Wozniak

The purpose of this research is to understand how the political-economic goals of the Soviet state led to the Holodomor - the Great Famine - of 1932-33. It will examine the process of central planning, agricultural collectivization and rapid industrialization in the Soviet Union in the late 1920s and early 1930s. It will also contrast different interpretations of the famine with evidence from recently declassified documents in order to clarify a process described by some historians as genocide.

Political Theology and Messianism

PhD student Emmanuel Taub

The theme of this doctoral research project is messianism as a political problem. The project examines Jewish, classical and modern sources in an attempt to rethink the concept of power politics from the point of view of the Jewish messianic ideal. In Jewish political theology, moral law (the good in man consecrated by God’s commandments) is part and parcel of politics. Over the past decade political philosophy has reformulated more traditional issues pertaining to political theological problems. The general aim of this research is to deepen our understanding of history and present-day politics from a Jewish perspective.