

Announcement of the German Studies Collaboratory: An Interdisciplinary Experiment to Transform German Studies

The Editorial Team of the [German Studies Collaboratory](#) is happy to announce the launch of its digital repository of online resources for teaching, outreach, and research. Its aim is to provide open access to critical resources and foster collaboration across disciplines in the name of shared knowledge and expertise.

The Collaboratory has three hubs: teaching, media, and digital. New innovations in pedagogy including assignment ideas, syllabi, teaching modules, and digital tools are available in the Teaching Hub for adaptation to courses of all levels. Frameworks for new media, diversity, and representation provide an introduction to best practices for the 21st-century classroom. The Media Hub houses links to film archives, digitized sources, lectures, blogs, and webinars. It will grow to feature links to short videos for use in the classroom. Projects in digital humanities, including digital exhibitions and map collections, are featured in the Digital Hub. The online collections are fully searchable by keyword and tag, making it easy to find resources through a few short clicks.

The Collaboratory is the product of deliberations from various corners of German Studies, including the Teaching and Digital Humanities Networks of the German Studies Association and the Diversity, Decolonization, and the German Curriculum collective. We are pleased to have the support of a wide array of partners: the GSA, the German Historical Institute in Washington, DC, the Central European History Society, and the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies.

The Collaboratory will also grow through further collaboration. We invite you to submit material to be published in one of our three hubs, and we particularly welcome contributions in areas currently under-represented. Through our Zeitnah Blog and submissions from users, we hope the

German Studies Collaboratory will become a place of lively critical reflection on how to meet the challenge of teaching and writing about German language, history and culture, society and politics in these difficult times.

If you think that the German Studies Collaboratory might be of interest to your colleagues, we would very much appreciate your spreading the word via your email list, website, newsletter, and/or social media.