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THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY



## Free Seminar: “Justice, Genocide and the Environment” at Stockton October 20

Students, Educators, Community Members Invited to Attend

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**Galloway Township, NJ** – The Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center will host a free seminar, “Justice, Genocide and the Environment” made possible by a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner for the National Endowment for the Humanities.

“The absence of justice, so often a component in genocide, also carries a cost to the environment,” said Gail Rosenthal, Director of the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center. Rosenthal said the seminar would study several genocidal events in which the environmental impact exacerbated the number of famine deaths. Among those incidents were the Ukrainian SSR famines of 1931 and 1932 and the famine during the “Great Leap forward” from 1958-1962 in the People’s Republic of China. The seminar will also show how famine in the Ukraine led to Hitler’s Hunger Plan, which resulted in the deaths of Soviet prisoners of war and hundreds of thousands of Eastern European Jews during World War II.

The free event will take place Thursday, October 20, 2011 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center, Second Floor, Library (E-Wing) in the Liviu Librescu Classroom on the campus in Galloway.

Educators earn two Professional Development Hour credits (PDH) by attending the seminar. Teachers are also welcome to bring their students to the event. For more information, call 609-652-4699.

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