

MN-AATG Spring Workshop

with Presenter Daphne Warren

Saturday, July 18, 2020

9am, 10am, 11am

Online via Zoom

Register by Friday, June 26

Teaching German *through and for* Diverse Identities

The German-speaking world has long been, and is increasingly comprised of substantial cultural and ethnic diversity. The same can be said about many German classrooms in the US today. For German educators, **the question is no longer “whether” or “why” to teach German within the frame of DIVERSITY, but rather “how?”** In this workshop, Daphne Warren offers expert guidance not simply for identifying engaging and effective resources for teaching about diversity in the German-speaking world, but, more importantly, how best to teach with these materials in order to foster critical self-reflection about students' thinking and attitudes about different kinds of diversity--and prejudice and marginalization--in their home country/ies and communities.

This will not be a typical MN-AATG workshop, in that:

- The focus is not receiving or developing teaching materials and discussing pedagogy, but rather reflecting on the individual teacher's identity and role in teaching for antiracism and broad inclusion of diverse German and student identities. Participants should be prepared to experience uncomfortable moments that are part of having courageous conversations.
- The “workshop” consists of 3 separate 1-hour small-group conversations. Participation in each group is capped at 7, with the ideal group small size being 5-6 participants. AATG members will receive priority registration. After the initial 10-day registration period, if spaces are still available, non-AATG members will be registered on a first-come, first-served basis.

- In order to create a safe space for honest, and at times uncomfortable conversation, the workshop will not be recorded by MN-AATG and participants are asked not to record.
- All participants are asked to read the German book [*Exit Racism*](#) (2017) by Tupoka Ogette in preparation for the discussion. MN-AATG will pay for a copy of the book (Kindle, audio book or print, though an electronic option is strongly recommended for reasons of print supply and shipping time). In addition, participants are asked to visit some social media accounts that concern diverse identities and racism in German-speaking countries.
- The readings and teaching materials for the workshop are in German, however the workshop language will be a mix of English and German--whichever each participant finds most comfortable for discussing the topic.
- A set of teaching materials and further recommended teaching resources will be made available on the MN-AATG website following the workshop.
- Participants will receive a online bookstore gift certificate at the end of the workshop that can be used to purchase additional books and other materials pertinent to the workshop topic.

Register by Friday, June 26, 2020 at
<https://forms.gle/VVAK4NX9hYSr3DjF9>.

Notification of registration acceptance or non-acceptance will be sent by June 27 at the latest.

About the Presenter, Daphne Warren



Daphne Warren teaches German in Plano, TX ISD. She grew up in Högel, Germany and Memphis, TN. She received both her BA in German and her MA in Teaching in Curriculum and Instruction from The University of Memphis. Daphne serves as AATG Southwest Regional Representative and as Chair of the Alle lernen Deutsch Committee. In Fall 2020, she will begin doctoral studies at The University of Texas, Arlington in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. You can listen to an interview with Daphne on "The Big Pond" hosted by the Goethe-Institut:

<https://www.goethe.de/ins/us/en/kul/tec/tbp/soc.html>.