

## Macalester professor receives Fulbright to study immigration in Germany

**St. Paul, Minn.** – International Studies chair and professor Nadya Nedelsky will spend September – December 2015 in Germany as a Fulbright U.S. scholar to study German reaction to immigration. She'll be working at Humboldt University's Department of Diversity and Social Conflict in Berlin.

“Large-scale quantitative surveys show that Germans have mixed reactions to immigration,” said Nedelsky. “Half view it as more positive than negative, and majorities see immigrants as contributing to the economy and making life more interesting. Strong majorities also worry about integration and think immigrants reject German customs and ways of life.”

Nedelsky's research will involve qualitative interviews with native Germans in Berlin, delving into the views, beliefs, concerns, experiences and expectations that underlie perspectives on immigration and integration.

“Deeper investigation is needed to understand the roots, intensity, and day-to-day impact of both positive and critical viewpoints,” said Nedelsky.

Elizabeth Hallgren '17, an International Studies major from Monkton, Md., assisted Nedelsky with putting together her Fulbright application.

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