

LECTURE



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BEFORE *LEBENSRAUM* MEANT GENOCIDE



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What has motivated ethnic cleansing historically? More particularly, what is the relationship between settler colonialism and genocide? As one of the core ideological and policy aspirations of the Nazi regime, the acquisition of *Lebensraum* [living space] has been causally associated with Germany's campaigns of brutality and ethnic cleansing during the Second World War. Influential German imperialists during the First World War were similarly interested in acquiring spaces to secure access to resources and sustain demographic growth. This talk will complicate the link between *Lebensraum* and genocide by closely examining their proposals for reordering Eastern Europe under German rule.

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