

About the Event

"All the Points"—a digital mapping project created by Dr. Daniel Stein Kokin with GIS programming work done by Dr. Solomon Vimal (Ph.D, UCLA Department of Geography)—draws upon the dynamism of digital mapping to tell the story of the Israeli-Palestinian region in a fresh, accessible, and visually compelling manner. Inspired by the classic Zionist designation of new Jewish communities as additional "points on the map," "All the Points" expands this rhetoric to include Arab, European Christian, and other communities as equal parties in an ongoing narrative. Using colors and shapes, the project's main map traces the founding, disappearance, and evolution of communities on an annual basis from 1840 down to 2023, while curated maps highlight specific features of the region's settlement history at varying time scales. "All the Points" aspires to be a useful tool in the classroom and at home, wherever and whenever people wish to better understand one of the world's most complicated and intractable conflicts.

About the Speaker



Dr. Daniel Stein Kokin is a Jewish and Israel Studies scholar affiliated with Arizona State University and the Ramaz Upper School in New York City. In 2024–2025, he is a fellow in Advanced Israel Studies at Brandeis University's Schusterman Center for Israel Studies. He has previously taught at Yale, UCLA, the University of Oregon, and the University of Greifswald (Germany), and has held fellowships from Villa I Tatti: The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies in Florence, Italy and the Käte Hamburger Kolleg in Bochum, Germany. Recent publications include the edited volume *Hebrew between Jews and Christians* (De Gruyter, 2022) and "'Arch-Enemy': The Polemic against Titus in Benjamin of Tudela's Book of Travels" (Hebrew Union College Annual, 2023). Stein Kokin also creates academic performances,

including "Breach of Protocols: Revisiting Zion's Elders" and "Inversions and Subversions: Leone de' Sommi's Purim Comedy of Betrothal,", on the first Hebrew-language play.

From 2017–2019, he was a Visiting Assistant Professor at the UCLA International Institute, with a primary focus on Israel Studies, and in 2015–16. he served as the Viterbi Professor of Mediterranean Jewish Studies at UCLA.