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## Biography

Jason James received his Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of California, San Diego. His research interests include nationalism, ethnicity, collective memory, socialism and post-socialism, and Germany. He teaches courses in collective memory, the anthropology of Europe, urban anthropology, and tourism. His book, "Preservation and National Belonging in Eastern Germany: Heritage Fetishism and Redeeming Germanness," was published by Palgrave-Macmillan in 2012.

James' research comes out of a combination of fascination and dismay at the power of collective identities with nations, ethnic groups, and "races" — and how those identities are formed and mobilized in response to perceived Others and the dangers they are thought to pose. He is also interested in the social, cultural, and political dimensions of transportation.

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## Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Writing and Editing

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## Areas of Expertise

Political Science, Anthropology, Sociology, German Studies, Nationalism, Tourism, Ethnicity

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## Education

University of California, San Diego

Ph.D. Anthropology

Boston University

B.A. Philosophy and Political Theory

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