

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Katherine Verdery, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology at City University of New York

Dr. Verdery will be presenting on her latest book: My Life as a Spy: Investigations in a Secret Police File. Delving into the secret police file created on her during her doctoral fieldwork in 1970s Romania, Verdery's monograph encourages social scientists and humanities to question the manner in which research is understood as a form of "spying," or perhaps subterfuge. Verdery's earlier projects focused on understanding intersections of social inequality, ethnic relations, and nationalism in Romania during the Soviet era. She remains interested in contemporary and socialist Eastern Europe, as well as notions of property, time, and space. Other presenters will be speaking on a wide range of topics, including, "Collaborative Ethnography beyond the Classroom: Ethics and Adaptation," "Gender performance and performativity: the matrix of ritual practice and religious experience," and more.

Sabin Hall, G90 March 9th 9:30 - 4:00PM Lunch Provided