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**Panel Discussion**

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**Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at Green Library, 220 (MMC)**



**Chair and Moderator**

**Dr. Rebecca Friedman** is Faculty Fellow and Professor of History at Florida International University. Until recently, she was Co-Director of Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence and Director of the European Studies Program. Dr. Friedman's teaching and research interests include Modern Russia, Imperial Russian and Soviet gender, cultural, social history, European identities, Polish History, Family History, and Memoir. She is the author, among many other publications, of *Masculinity, Autocracy and the Russian University, 1804-1863*.



**Panelists**

**Dr. Heather Russell** is Professor of English and Chairperson of the Department of English at Florida International University. Her teaching interests focus on the intersections of race, gender, class, postcoloniality and are reflected in her courses on African American Literature, Major Caribbean Writers and Narratives of Enslavement, to name but a few. Her research has primarily examined narrative form and its relationship to configurations of national/racial identities. Among her numerous publications is her book *Legba's Crossing: Narratology in the African Atlantic*.



**Mr. Boris Fishman** is a Professor of Creative Writing at Princeton University. He was born in Minsk, Belarus, and educated in America. Before dedicating himself fulltime to literary pursuits and teaching, Mr. Fishman was a journalist and essayist, contributing his work to such major publications as The New Yorker, The New York Times, The Nation and The Wall Street Journal, The Tablet, to name but a few. Mr. Fishman is the author of two widely reviewed and highly acclaimed novels, *A Replacement Life* and *Don't Let My Baby Do the Rodeo*.



**Dr. Jorge Duany** is Director of the Cuban Research Institute and Professor of Anthropology in the Department of Global & Sociocultural Studies in the Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs at Florida International University. He has published extensively on migration, ethnicity, race, nationalism and transnationalism in Cuba, the Caribbean and the United States. He authored and edited more than twenty books, including *Puerto Rico: What Everyone needs to Know* and *Un Pueblo Diasperso: Dimensiones Sociales y culturales de la diáspora Cubana*.



**Dr. Ana Luszczyńska** is Butler Waugh Professor of Literature, Director of Graduate Studies in English and the Hispanic Serving Institutions Pathways Coordinator at Florida International University. Her teaching and research interests focus on Literary Theory, Continental Philosophy, Caribbean Literature, Latin American Literature and Women Studies. Her many publications include her highly acclaimed book *The Ethics of Community: Nancy, Derrida, Morrison, and Menendez*.

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