

Hillsdale in D.C. Visiting Fellow Dr. Elizabeth Spalding Elected Chairman of The Victims of Communism Foundation

Hillsdale in D.C. Graduate School Visiting Fellow, Dr. Elizabeth Spalding, has been elected to serve as Chairman of The Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation (VOC), succeeding Dr. Edwin J. Fuelner, founder and former President of The Heritage Foundation.

Dr. Spalding has served VOC since 2018 as Vice Chairman and Founding Director of the Victims of Communism Museum. Her expertise and work was pivotal in the development of the museum, located here in Washington D.C.

“I am honored to serve as Chairman of the Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation. Under Dr. Fuenler’s inspired leadership, VOC made history with its efforts to educate future generations about the ideology, crimes, and legacy of communism and to advocate for the freedom of those still held captive by communist regimes,” said Dr. Spalding. “I am humbled — and excited — to build on Dr. Fuenler’s legacy and lead VOC into a new era of remembering the victims and educating future generations about the crimes of communism. It’s time to sweep the deadliest ideology humanity has ever known onto the ash heap of history.”

In addition to teaching as a Visiting Fellow at the Hillsdale College Van Andel School of Government, Dr. Spalding is a Senior Fellow at the Pepperdine University School of Public Policy, teaching a range of subjects including national security, foreign policy, religion, politics and presidency.

She also lectures publicly, most notably for VOC’s National Seminar for Middle and High School Educators. Her scholastic articles have been published in *Journal of Church and State*, *Orbis*, *The Wilson Quarterly*, *Providence*, *The American Mind*, *Law & Liberty*, *H-Diplo*, and *Claremont Review of Books*. She is also the author of *The First Cold Warrior: Harry Truman, Containment, and the Remaking of Liberal Internationalism* and the co-author of *A Brief History of the Cold War*.

Dr. Spalding holds PhD and M.A. in international politics and political theory from the University of Virginia and a B.A. in politics from Hillsdale College.